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January 10, 2023
Council Meeting @7:00 PM
Council Chambers

PRESENT

Mayor Barry Whitley
Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn
Councilperson Jacob Hopkins
Councilperson Glenn Harris
Councilperson Deborah Williams
Councilperson Rodrick Flowers

MEDIA PRESENT

TC NEWS

INVOCATION: Mayor Barry Whitley

OPENING STATEMENT: Vicki Wainwright

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of the December 13th, 2022 Regular Council Meeting:

A motion to accept and approve the minutes of the December 13, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes was made by Councilmember Jacob Hopkins and a second was made by Councilmember Rodrick Flowers. The vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

2023 Appointments: City Clerk Vicki Wainwright read the 2023 Appointments:

Mayor Pro-Tem
Municipal Court Judge
City Attorney
Auditor
Election Superintendent
Fire Chief
Police Chief

Ed Guinn
Wayne Jernigan
James Bates Brannan Groover LLP
Mauldin & Jenkins
Vicki Wainwright
David Windham
Matthew Woodard



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2023 Appointments (Continued)

City Clerk/City Administrator	Vicki Wainwright
Public Works Director	David Windham
Fire Coordinator	Eddie Moulton

Councilperson Glenn Harris made a motion to approve, Councilperson Rodrick Flowers seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

2023 Department Oversight Appointments

Water/Wastewater

Chair	Deborah Williams
Co-Chair	Ed Guinn

Public Safety

Chair	Ed Guinn
Co-Chair	Jacob Hopkins

Streets

Chair	Jacob Hopkins
Co-Chair	Glenn Harris

Administrative

Chair	Rodrick Flowers
Co-Chair	Deborah Williams

Buildings/Property

Chair	Glenn Harris
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Interview Committee

Deborah William
Jacob Hopkins
**Department Head



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Appointments (Continued)

A motion to approve the Oversight Appointments for 2023 was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.

Resolution for "Pouring License" for Beer and/or Wine

City Clerk Vicki Wainwright read the new resolution allowing for retail businesses to apply and purchase a "Pouring License" allowing to serve beer and/or wine for consumption on premises. Ms. Wainwright then requested a motion to adopt the resolution. A motion to adopt the Resolution was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams and a second was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.

Fees for Beer and/ Wine Pouring License:

City Clerk Vicki Wainwright stated that she has reached out to City Clerks across the State inquiring as to what other Cities charge for a pouring license for beer and/or wine. She said that the majority charge \$500.00 to \$750.00 per year per beer or wine. She recommends to the Mayor and Council to charge \$500.00 for pouring of beer license and \$500.00 for pouring of wine license. \$1000.00 if both licenses are purchased. She added that the fees could be changed from time to time by Mayor and Council if needed.

A motion to charge \$500.00 for a wine pouring license and \$500.00 for a beer pouring license was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilperson Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Public Works Director David Windham said that the recent freezing weather had caused some issues around the City in relation to busted pipes, etc. He reminded everyone to know where



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their cut-off is so that the citizen can cut off their water should they have busted pipes in their house. City of Butler employees can not always get there quickly in order to turn off the water.

He reminded the Mayor and Council that City Hall will be closed the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Monday, January 16th.

He said that he is working with the Grant Writer on the 2021 CDBG as some of the bids came in over budget due to inflation. Councilperson Williams asked what will happen with the project if the extra funds are not available and was told that the project would have to be scaled back. Mr. Windham also said that the City is doing a complete electrical rehab on all wells using ARPA funds.

The Taylor County Chamber of Commerce and the Taylor County Development Authority received a grant from Flint Energies that allows for directional signage to be placed around the County in Butler and Reynolds. Mr. Windham thanked them for the signs to help improve Butler and the surrounding area.

Police Officer Shelby Cloniger attended the meeting in place of Chief Matthew Woodard, who is ill. He introduced two new hires, Landon Aldridge and Kelsie Bloodworth, that recently graduated from thirteen weeks of mandated training in Forsyth. The Council welcomed them.

Officer Cloniger said that the Butler Police Department responded to 308 incidents last month with 95 citations being issued along with 37 warnings.

Officer Dakota Windham's last date to work was January 1, 2023. He will be continuing his law enforcement career in Dooley County.

Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton stated that the Butler Fire Department responded to 11 calls in December 2022. He also said that in 2022 the Butler Fire Department responded to 211 calls.

David Windham mentioned to the Council that the City of Butler will partner with the City of Reynolds to hold the tire recycling event. The date has not been set at this time, but will more



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than likely be held in May 2023. The event will be on a Thursday, Friday and one-half day on Saturday. The dates will be announced closer to time.

Mayor Barry Whitley stated the he is looking forward to a good year.

ADJOURN

With no further issues to discuss a motion was made by Councilperson Glenn Harris to adjourn the meeting. A second was issued by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Barry Whitley

ATTEST

