


**Public Hearing Minutes May 2, 2023**

Mayor Taylor called the public hearing to order at 6:30 pm.

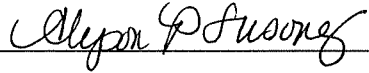
Tanner Hamilton, attorney for Silicon Ranch, spoke to the board concerning the re-zoning of the property and asked if anyone had any questions for them.

No one in the audience had any comments or questions so the public hearing ended at 6:55 pm.



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Fred Taylor, Mayor



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Alyson P. Susong, Recorder

## Town of White Pine Council Minutes June 6, 2023

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order with all council members present. Attorney Drinnon was present as well.

Under communications from citizens and property owners, Mark Miles and Jim McAlister asked to speak to the board concerning the footage amount that their company had bid for the sewer line camera project. They spoke of the different sizes of lines and footage that they had been working on and it seems they will be around 50,000 feet short. They wanted to ask if they could make up the footage by doing a variety of needed projects, which include: working on storm drains to clean and camera, run cured in place pipe in several places, fix internal patches, or rehab manholes. The board agreed that they were pleased with their work and appreciated the updates on the project. They asked them to get with Public Works Supervisor, Brad Collier or Lane Hodges and they would decide which path to take to make up for the difference in footage.

The owners of LaLajeta Mexican restaurant asked if the board would consider the close footage of the beer ordinance. The newly remodeled restaurant would like to obtain a beer permit but is too close to the house across the street. The board discussed reviewing the beer ordinance at the July meeting and hopefully can look into the requirements for obtaining a beer permit.

Mayor Mark Potts and Jefferson Alliance director Joe Gibson presented the board with a new 3-star sign. They thanked the board for their continued success and explained the discounts received on the CDBG grants because of this program. Mr. Gibson also told the board that he is seeing big interest in Jefferson County for economic development.

On a motion from Mr. Stump, second from Mr. Marshall, the minutes of the May 2, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion from Mrs. Strom, second from Mr. Marshall, Ordinance #3-23, allowing the sale of fireworks, passed on second and final reading in a unanimous roll call vote.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, Ordinance #4-23, amending the 2022-23 fiscal year budget, passed unanimously in a roll call vote, on first reading.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, Ordinance #5-23, 2023-24 fiscal year budget, passed on first reading with the removal of the recreation truck, the police meeting room, K9 police car, the storage building with the stipulation to look at the K9 car if an impending grant falls through. The overage of expenses will be taken from fund balance. A roll call vote was done with a unanimous vote to approve on first reading.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Stump, Ordinance #6-23, amending the garbage fee, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on first reading, with the stipulation of adding the phrase "three or more cans registered to the residence"

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Strom, Ordinance #7-23, revising the water and sewer rates, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on first reading.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to award the paving project to Newport Paving at \$132 per ton for Melody Lane.

With no concrete bids being turned in, it was decided to go ahead and bid out the 30 X 30 pad for the concrete barriers to hold in the rock.

Chief Cotter informed the board about some burglaries at Barker Drive. They have leads and will continue to work on that. The new officer that will be assigned as the SRO at Lakeway Christian Academy and also the police force, will hopefully be hired at the special called meeting on June 20, 2023. Fire reports were given to the board as well.

Under planning commission review, a site plan for Silicon Ranch was reviewed and passed.

Recreation director Jonah Morie gave reports to the board for the month. He also reported that the Legion ball fields will be started next week.

Under water and sewer news, Public Works Director Brad Collier reported that lightning had struck at the sewer plant causing damage to several pieces of equipment. TOSHA had recently reviewed the sewer plant and town hall. Will get a report later on their finds. The UV at sewer plant went down a couple of hours and the state was notified. A meeting with Rob Ramsey to go over the consent order was attended by Mr. Collier and Mr. Lane. He brought up staffing and suggested that the sewer department have separate employees from water so that they could be dedicated to that department. Several job applications have been reviewed and will start interviews as soon as June 9.

The Street and Sanitation departments have been busy with the day-to-day operations as well as working on the building to house the steam engine. It was also discussed the possibility of hiring a part-time employee to help with mowing and various jobs.

Under financial news, the recorder said she had nothing other than the budget that was discussed at the work session.

Mr. Woods updated everyone on the Pine Fest. Bush brothers has given \$2500 for sponsor and food city has also committed. Lauren Hurdle will look into getting the festival on some bill

boards as well. We have four bands and sponsor letters have been mailed out. The next meeting will be June 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.


Mr. Morie asked about the recreation board and reinstating it to be active. After discussing the possibilities, the board is to bring suggestions next month of any one interested in being on board. Mr. Marshall suggested we put on the website to see if anyone would like to participate.

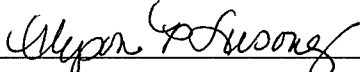
On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mrs. Strom, it was unanimously voted to hold the July regular meeting on July 5, 2023 since the regular scheduled falls on July 4.

On a motion from Mr. Stump, second from Mrs. Strom, it was unanimously voted to pay bills.

Mayor Taylor asked the board to step outside after the meeting to get a picture for the paper with the newly printed Veterans Bricks.

On a motion from Mr. Sinar, second from Mrs. Strom, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

  
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Fred Taylor, Mayor


  
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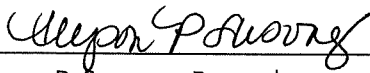
**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**  
**JUNE 20, 2023 – 6 PM**

Mayor Taylor called the hearing to order with all council members present except Mrs. Strom.

Mayor Taylor asked if anyone in the audience had any questions or comments concerning the 2023-24 fiscal year budget. There was no comments or questions.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

  
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Fred Taylor, Mayor

  
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Alyson P. Susong, Recorder

## Special Called Meeting June 20, 2023

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order with all council members present except Mrs. Strom.

Under communications from citizens and property owners there were no comments.

Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve Ordinance #4-23, amending the 2022-23 budget with the addition of moving \$33K to the vehicle line item in Parks and Recreation from the street line item of storage building with the remaining \$7K to go toward purchasing concrete barriers for gravel storage. Mr. Stump made a second to the ordinance with a unanimous approval in a roll call vote on second and final reading.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Wood, Ordinance #5-23, 2023-24 fiscal year budget, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on second and final reading.

On a motion from Mr. Stump, second from Mr. Sinard, Ordinance #6-23, amending the garbage rates, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on second and final reading.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, Ordinance #7-23, amending the water and sewer rates, passed unanimously in a roll call vote on second and final reading.

On a motion from Mr. Stump, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously approved to award the sewer by-pass bid to Edwards Grading at a cost of \$840,085 pending state approval.

No concrete bids were submitted.

Mr. Cotter approached the board to get approval on the agreement between the town and Lakeway Christian Academy for an officer to be hired to work at the school and the town with the school reimbursing all costs of pay and benefits. Attorney Drinnon and the Public Entity Partner attorney have worked on this agreement together to get it the way they felt best. Mr. Stump made a motion to accept this agreement and proceed with the hiring of the officer. Mr. Woods made a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Betsy Cunningham, HR Consultant from MTAS, was present to discuss updating the personnel handbook. Mr. Marshall asked about the ongoing differences on overtime for public works employees. Different scenarios were discussed with defining an emergency situation, taking care of employees and what other towns our size does in these situations. Mr. Stump asked if she could gather some bench mark ideas to compare other towns our size. Comp time was taken away several months ago and Mayor Taylor expressed this has added several thousands of dollars to paychecks but the comp time had gotten way out of hand. Mrs. Susong had asked if

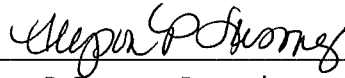
the vacation could be changed because new employees could not earn any vacation time till after they had worked a year. Possibly change to so many hours per month. Mr. Marshall also asked about the pay given to the council. After much discussion, it was decided to look into the charter and see how that was set up and possibly look at additional pay for extra meetings. Mayor Taylor asked if Ms. Cunningham could bring a policy to examine at the August council meeting work session. She will check with the librarian and try to get surveys done with different towns our size.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:25 pm.



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