In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, the news media and the public was notified of the time, date, and place along with a copy of the agenda of this meeting and a notice was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the Batesburg-Leesville Town Hall and the Town's website no later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING August 8, 2022

Mayor Shull opened the first Public Hearing at 7:01 P.M. to receive citizen input on an **Ordinance to Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Budget for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville**. Since no one appeared before Council, Mayor Shull closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 P.M.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville, held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Shull at 7:02 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Member Brown, Gambrell, Cain, Speech-Lemon, Wise and Prouse.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by the Christ Community Church Pastor, Kent Suits.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gambrell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Cain to amend the agenda to include a Resolution for the immediate release of Brittney Griner from a Russian prison. There was no second and the motion failed.

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse, with a second by Council Member Wise to approve the agenda. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

6 Approved

1 Denied (Cain)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adopt the minutes from the July 11, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

7 Approved

0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adopt the minutes from the July 20, 2022 Special Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

7 Approved

0 Denied

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be September 12, 2022.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Council Member Hall

Council Member Hall submitted a report stating Central Midlands did not meet.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ADVISORY COMMITTEE (E. P. A. C.) Council Member Prouse

Council Member Prouse reported there was EPAC did not meet.

THE COMET ADVISTORY COMMITTEE - Council Member Cain

Comet is working on Route 97 bus service. No meeting with Councilmember Larry Brigham has been arraigned yet.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Mayor Shull

Mayor Shull reported that the commission finished the year very strong on the revenue side. Also they continue moving forward with their projects.

B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Mike Taylor, Executive Director

Mike Taylor reported the following:

- Will host 34th annual auction on August 20th.
- Mr. Taylor stated that he will have reports on the Arts on the Ridge event and Dream Catchers at the September council meeting.
- Reported that the Ministerial Alliance will hold a community service on September 14th at Panther Stadium at 6:00 pm. The purpose is to welcome students back to school.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Ordinance to Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Budget for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville. A motion was made by Council Member Prouse to approve second reading of this ordinance. Second was made by Council Member Wise. There was no discussion.

VOTE:

6 Approved

1 Denied (Cain)

NEW BUSINESS - None

MANAGER'S REPORT – Ted Luckadoo EVENT UPDATES

- We had our final movie night this past Friday night at Panther Stadium. We showed the movie The Invincible. There were about 50 people in attendance. We appreciate the High School for allowing us to use the big screen again this year, we also want to thank Hulon Baptist Church for participating again this year with snacks, popcorn and drinks at each of the movies. Also, a thanks to town staff for setting up and breaking down each event.
- Our National Night Out event was held this past Wednesday evening. We had a smaller crowd
 this year from what we normally have. We believe the threat of thunderstorms played a part in
 that, even though the weather stayed a little off from us. Otherwise, it was a great event for those
 who were there. We appreciate all the law enforcement agencies, fire departments and others
 who came out with games and activities for taking part and bringing equipment.
- The VFW held a great Back to School bash at College Park last weekend. There was about 400
 people that attended the event. They gave away over 200 back packs stuffed with school supplies
 and our PD did over 80 child ID's. This was a successful event and we appreciate them hosting
 this event.
- The SC Poultry Festival, in partnership with the Town, will be hosting again this year the Cruise In Concert event at College Park. It will be September 25th beginning at 2:00pm. They will 2 bands playing over the course of the afternoon and will have the car show and cornhole tournament again this year. There will be more details in the near future.
- We are beginning to plan our Halloween on Main event for October 31, 2022. This event has continued to grow and we hope to grow it even more this year. We will keep you posted as further details come to light. But save the date!!

Monthly Account Balances for Fiscal Year 2022/2023

	Jul-22
General Fund Checking	\$ 2,385,182.86
General Fund Savings	\$ -
Police Donations	\$ 19,232.2 9
Fire Department 1%	\$ 21,259.67
Municipal Court	\$ 41,418.46
Victims Assistance	\$ 5,321.70
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 2,472,414.98
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 350,045.05
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,884.18
Capital Improvement Project/Impact	
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 841,471.38
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$1,392,817.60
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,730,506.84
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 626,956.52
Total All Funds	\$ 6,829,878.34

Monthly Account Balances for July Since 2014

	Jul-22	Jul-21	Jul-20	Jul-19	Jul-18	Jul-17	Jul-16	Jul-15	Jul-14
General Fund Checking	\$ 2,385,182.86	\$ 2,140,759.00	\$1,773,743.00	\$1,591,678.14	\$1,745,192.37	\$ 1,730,880.67	\$ 1,619,736.64	\$1,521,135.73	\$1,435,594.89
General Fund Savings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 43,401.55	\$ 46,433.63	\$ 162,907.50
Police Donations	\$ 19,232.29	\$ 15,696.97	\$ 4,655.06	\$ 13,299.41	\$ 9,657.17	\$ 6,809.48	\$ 7,766.10	\$ 10,247.16	\$ 11,379.70
Fire Department 1%	\$ 21,259.67	\$ 20,844.89	\$ 14,740.23	\$ 11,319.35	\$ 10,068.91	\$ 8,199.12	\$ 11,949.30	\$ 11,102.03	\$ 7,008.18
Municipal Court	\$ 41,418.46	\$ 38,478.71	\$ 32,584.93	\$ 37,644.57	\$ 29,489.19	\$ 33,940.35	\$ 32,418.37	\$ 29,722,92	\$ 31,146,48
Victims Assistance	\$ 5,321.70	\$ 1,955.25	\$ 714.00	\$ 654.70	\$ 145.15	\$ 128.90	\$ 137.19	\$ 296.87	\$ 172.54
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 2,472,414.98	\$ 2,217,734.82	\$ 1,825,437.22	\$ 1,691,947.72	\$ 1,831,904.34	\$ 1,817,310.07	*\$ 1,715,409.15	\$ 1,618,938.34	\$ 1,648,209.29
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 350,045.05	\$ 288,354.46	\$ 92,722.75	\$ 260,914.03	\$ 285,308.50	\$ 490,964.95	\$ 318,329.17	\$ 105,793.93	\$ 35,816.59
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,884.18	\$ 767,871.48	\$ 767,683.46	\$ 763,152.55	\$ 755,546.48	\$ 961,960.58	\$ 601,556.74	\$ 792,583.50	\$ 430,094.13
Capital Improvement Project/Impact	\$ 2,047,726.17	\$ 1,544,580,89	\$1,483,730.95	\$1,364,853.81	\$ 767,767.75	\$ 58,295.72	\$ 34,762.72	\$ 11,907.72	\$ 1,971.72
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,838.96	\$ 564,700.97	\$ 561,368.36	\$ 555,773.07	\$ 231,081.00	\$ 231,081.00	\$ 231,080.00	\$ 231,080.00
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 841,471.38	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ -	\$ -
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$1,392,817.60	\$ 3,154,648.04	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 3,154.44	\$ 2,267.66	\$ 3,088.52	\$ 1,093.09	\$ 2,024.11
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,730,506.84	\$ 3,165,648.79	\$ 2,908,843.13	\$ 2,950,293.75	\$ 2,367,552.24	\$ 1,744,570.91	\$ 1,188,819.15	\$1,142,458.24	\$ 700,986.55
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 626,956.52	\$ 618,284.31	\$ 731,740.64	\$ 288,457.50					
Total All Funds	\$ 6,829,878.34	\$ 6,001,667.92	\$ 5,467,020.99	\$ 4,930,698.97	\$ 4,199,456.58	\$ 3,561,880.98	\$ 2,904,228.30	\$ 2,761,396.58	\$ 2,349,195.84

General Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru July 2022	Actual		Budget		% Budget	
Operating Revenues	\$	478,574.49		,214,651.00	9%	
Operating Expenses	\$	379,884.69	\$5	,214,651.00	7%	
Utility Fund						
Revenues/Expenses thru July 2022		Actual		Budget	% Budget	
Operating Revenues	\$	310,621.14	\$3	,321,100.00	9%	
Operating Expenses	\$	519,417.61	\$3,321,100.00		15%	
Victim's Assistance Fund						
Revenues/Expenses thru July 2022		Actual	Budget		% Budget	
Operating Revenues	\$	882.30	\$	7,500.00	12%	
Operating Expenses	\$		\$	7,500.00	8%	
Hospitality Tax Fund						
Revenues/Expenses thru July 2022		Actual		Budget	% Budget	
Operating Revenues	\$	57,969.13	\$	625,000.00	9%	
Operating Expenses	\$		\$	625,000.00	1%	
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POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING- September 12, 2022

A motion was made by Council Member Cain to place a resolution on the agenda supporting the release of Brittney Griner from a Russian prison. Second was made by Council Member Speech-OLemon. There was no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

2 Approved

5 Denied (Brown, Gambrell, Wise, Prouse, Shull)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Speech-Lemon to adjourn at 7:31 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

7 Approved

0 Denied

Approved this 12th day of September 2022.

Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Hendrix, Assistant Town Manager