

` City of Fincastle  
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Mayor:  
John Bell  
Commissioners:  
Ollie White  
Elton Harris, Jr  
Jerry Gregory  
Samuel Jackson  
James Holt  
Jack Mills

City Attorney:  
Michael Lawrence  
Treasurer/Clerk:  
Jean Reid

1-12-2023

The meeting of the City of Fincastle called to order at 6:30pm at the Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4200 Shenandoah Drive.

Present: Mayor John Bell, City Attorney Michael Lawrence, Treasurer/clerk Reid.  
Commissioners: Ollie White, Jerry Gregory, Samuel Jackson, Gene Harris, Jr., Jack Mills, James Holt. Guest was a resident of the city.

The regular order of business was suspended as Commissioner Mills moved to nominate James Holt as a commissioner. A second came from Commissioner Gregory, motion passed. Treasurer/clerk Reid administered the oath of office to Commissioner Holt.

#### MINUTES

The minutes from meeting 12-8-2022 were reviewed. Commissioner Harris moved to accept the minutes as presented, a second came from Commissioner Gregory, motion passed.

#### TREASURER REPORT

General Fund YTD as of 12-30-2022	\$305,064.28
General Fund Savings YTD as of 12-30-2022	\$259,649.50
Total Road Fund YTD as of 12-30-2022	\$198,766.26

An ice/snow event on 12/22/22 incurred a bill of \$3,555 which was paid from the road fund account. December bills included \$1350 for Christmas decorating and \$192.85 of prizes for holiday decorating contest. The treasurer went to PNC to check about a letter describing new fees for accounts and requested that with 3 accounts that no fees be applied which they agreed to. Mr. Wilson inquired about how many payments were left to satisfy back taxes, March '23 will be the last one. There are still nine 2022 property taxes due and certified letters will be sent advising liens will be filed if payment not received per city ordinance. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit, a second came from Commissioner Gregory, motion passed.

## LEGAL

The mayor asked city attorney if the lawsuit for 4304 Culpepper had been served? If not, make sure that it is done this month. Treasurer asked about how to proceed with Watson property, non-payment of 2022 taxes, and default on back taxes settlement agreement, since property owner is deceased. Attorney advised treasurer to send a certified letter stating that the city would convert the settlement agreement to a judgement action and pursue collection, and usual procedure for current taxes not paid.

## OLD BUSINESS

The holiday decorating contest winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> 4402 Shenandoah, 2<sup>nd</sup> 4535 Shenandoah, 3<sup>rd</sup> 11208 Kendalton. The mayor has received a recommendation for a new city attorney and will invite them to observe a future city meeting. Commissioner Harris wants the old telephone pole on city easement removed. Harris also wants 2 letters sent to Watson's family occupying her residence, one addressing 2022/23 taxes and the other regarding the past taxes settlement. Due to continuing labor shortages, Waste Management has an alternating schedule for recycling and yard waste pickup. The mayor sent a Reach Alert advising recycling picked up 1-12-23, next week is yard waste and will alternate going forward until issue is resolved. The city seminar date is January 13 at 6:30pm. The city website is needing updates as last minutes posted have 6-9-22 date and last ad valorem and budget have a 2020 date.

## NEW BUSINESS

Code enforcement officer Stewart will be contacted to review code issues on Culpepper Circle specifically about a roof over a deck. Commissioner Jackson advised about Spectrum soliciting in the neighborhood. Individuals can put a sign on their property for no solicitation and that can be enforced.

## OPEN FLOOR

Commissioner Gregory moved to adjourn, a second came from Commissioner Jackson, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

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Mayor John Bell

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Jean Reid, Treasurer/clerk