

BUDGET WORKSHOP TOWN BOARD

May 10, 2023

Present Mayor George Holleman
Mayor Pro Tem Kenny Poole
Councilman Ronnie Robinette
Councilman Jack Simms
Councilwoman Kim Brown

The budget workshop was opened for business by Mayor Holleman at 2:30 p.m.

Items of Discussion:

1. Alexander County Sheriff Chad Pennell presented information on the discussion of consolidating the Taylorsville Police Department into the Alexander County Sheriffs Department. He addressed costs of personnel and equipment and how the Town would be manned with deputies during specific peak and non-peak times. He covered how personnel would transition regarding positions and be covered under the county benefits and longevity plan. He stated that he was asked to present information and costs for information and discussion. More discussion will follow at the discretion of the Town Board.
2. The Grover Bowman Mobile Home Park and the abatement process. Town Attorney Monroe Pannell stated that he had a conversation with the owner, Lane Harrill after the April 19th, 2023 meeting and he feels that Mr. Harrill will not clean and clear up the property. The Town Board should make plans to address the situation and seek bids for removal.
3. Mayes Brothers now have the high upset bid on all properties. \$100,000.00 for each property at 610 & 614 E. Main Street and \$26,000.00 for the 36 & 46 N. Center Street property. The upset bid process will now be re-advertised and opened on May 31, 2023 at 2:00 pm.
4. Interim Town Manager Wike went through the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget line by line. It is proposed to have a tax rate of .35 cents per 100 valuation. To adopt a Resolution setting the Town fee schedule separately from the budget adoption so that in the event that the Town Board would need to change any prices throughout the year, it would be possible. The W&S rates will be increased .10 cent per 1,000 gal of usage. This will offset the % increase that Energy United will charge the Town in the next fiscal year.
5. Councilwoman Brown stated that she does not want to consolidate the police department and Councilman Poole agrees. Other solutions to the low pay compared to other areas need to be discussed.

With no other business, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 4:50 pm.

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Attest: _____
Yolanda T. Prince, Town Clerk