

CITY OF WHITE HOUSE
Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting
Minutes
February 17, 2022
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order by the Mayor

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Prayer by Community Pastor

Prayer was led by Pastor Dillon Davis with Stone Chapel Church.

3. Pledge by Aldermen

The Pledge to the American Flag was led by Mayor Bibb.

4. Roll Call

Mayor Bibb - Present; Ald. Decker - Present; Ald. Corbitt – Present; Ald. Hutson – Present; **Quorum – Present.**

5. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was made by Ald. Hutson, second by Ald. Decker to adopt the agenda. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

6. Swear in Alternate Judge

Removed from agenda.

7. Election of Vice Mayor

Mayor Bibb nominated Alderman Clif Hutson to be Vice Mayor. Ald. Decker made a motion to accept Mayor Bibb's recommendation, seconded by Ald. Corbitt. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

8. Approval of Minutes of the January 20th Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting

Motion was made by Ald. Hutson, second by Ald. Decker to approve the minutes. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **The January 20th Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting minutes were approved.**

9. Welcome Visitors

Mayor Bibb welcomed all visitors.

10. Public Hearings

a. None

11. Communication from Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney, and City Administrator

Ald. Decker noted the passing of Mrs. Evelyn Guill. Ald. Decker discussed the possibility of having a plaque in the White House Inn Museum since she helped create the museum. City Administrator Gerald Herman mentioned that the museum is currently in process of creating an area dedicated to Mrs. Guill.

Ald. Decker discussed that the City uses a mobile application for citizens to submit requests. Ald. Decker continued that the City uses this to track the progress of requests.

City Administrator Gerald Herman stated that the soccer complex construction is completed. Mr. Herman continued that the next phase is currently in design and will include a parking lot, sidewalks and pavilion.

City Administrator Gerald Herman noted that the town center water line construction is still progressing. Mr. Herman mentioned that pipe is in the ground from the water tower to the White House Public Library. Mr. Herman continued that several cross connections have been made under US31W.

City Administrator Gerald Herman mentioned that the design plans for the tennis courts are nearing ready to bid. Mr. Herman noted that bidding will open during the month of March.

City Administrator discussed that RG Anderson has been working hard to get the Community Center finished. Mr. Herman noted that much of the landscaping has been completed. Mr. Herman continued that heating and air units are working and has allowed the contractor to catch up on some delayed work. Mr. Herman mentioned that the screening material for the roof top heating and air units is on order. Mr. Herman noted that the project may be in substantial completion before the screening material arrives. Mr. Herman stated that it appears to be an additional four to six weeks before occupancy could be given.

12. Acknowledge Reports

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| A. General Government | E. Fire | I. Library/Museum |
| B. Finance | F. Public Services | J. Municipal Court |
| C. Human Resources | G. Planning & Codes | |
| D. Police | H. Parks & Recreation | |

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to acknowledge reports and order them filed. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

13. Consideration of the Following Resolutions:

- a. **Resolution 22-02:** A resolution adopting Section 125 Premium Only Plan for plan year ending March 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Corbitt to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Resolution 22-02 was approved.**

14. Consideration of the Following Ordinances:

- a. **Ordinance 22-01:** An ordinance to amend the Municipal Code Title 12, Building, Utility, Etc Codes Chapters 1, 2, 4, 7 and 9. *First Reading.*

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Ordinance 22-01 was approved on First Reading.**

15. Purchasing:

- a. To approve or reject authorizing City Administrator Gerald Herman entering into an agreement with CSR Engineering in the amount of \$30,000 for the design of improvements to existing stormwater infrastructure. The Public Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- b. To approve or reject authorizing City Administrator Gerald Herman entering into a contract extension with Alternative Energy Products, LLC for an additional two (2) years for brush grinding services. The Public Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- c. To approve or reject the purchase of two (2) GRIDSMART camera systems from Gridsmart Technologies in the amount of \$39,677.00. The Public Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Corbitt to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- d. To approve or reject Stubbs Construction's bid of \$85,750, and authorize City Administrator Gerald Herman to enter into an agreement for fence installation at the Wastewater Treatment Plant facility. The Public Services Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Corbitt to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- e. To approve or reject the purchase of Energov software extensions from Tyler Technologies in the amount of \$43,050. The Planning and Codes Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Hutson, second by Ald. Decker to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- f. To approve or reject change orders for the Sage Road and McCurdy Turn Lane project from Charles Deweese Construction in the amount of \$144,695. The City Administrator recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt, second by Ald. Decker to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

16. Other Business:

- a. To approve or reject various board appointments.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- b. To approve or reject Willis Towers Watson's recommendations for Cigna Healthcare for medical, vision, LIFE/AD&D and long-term disability insurance coverage, Abacus for short-term disability insurance coverage, and Delta Dental for dental insurance coverage for plan year ending March 31, 2023. The Human Resources Director recommends approval.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Ald. Hutson to approve. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

- c. To approve or reject an internal ethics investigation concerning Former Mayor Michael Arnold submitted by Sam Matthews.

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt to approve an internal ethics investigation into Former Mayor Michael Arnold. No second was given.

Motion was made by Ald. Hutson, second by Ald. Corbitt to discuss in executive session with legal counsel.

Board members went into executive session with City Attorney Valerie Webb at 7:40pm.

Board members returned from executive session at 7:57pm with Mayor Bibb requesting a roll call. Mayor Bibb - Present; Ald. Decker - Present; Ald. Corbitt - Present; Ald. Hutson - Present; **Quorum - Present.**

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt to approve an internal ethics investigation into Former Mayor Michael Arnold. No second was given.

Motion was made by Ald. Hutson to table until next meeting. No second was given.

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt, second by Ald. Hutson to suspend the rules to allow Mr. Sam Matthews to speak for three minutes.

Mr. Sam Matthews addressed the Board for three minutes.

Motion was made by Ald. Decker, second by Mayor Bibb to reject an ethics investigation into Former Mayor Michael Arnold. A voice vote was called for with Mayor Bibb and Ald. Decker voting aye, and Ald. Corbitt and Ald. Hutson voting nay. **Motion failed.**

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt, second by Ald. Hutson to approve an internal ethics investigation into Former Mayor Michael Arnold. A voice vote was called for with Mayor Bibb, Ald. Corbitt, Ald. Hutson voting aye, and Ald. Decker voting nay. **Motion passed.**

17. Discussion Items:

a. Open Alderman Position

Motion was made by Ald. Corbitt, second by Ald. Decker to schedule a study session to interview applicants. A voice vote was called for with all members voting aye. **Motion passed.**

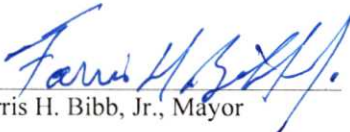
18. Other Information:

a. None

19. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

ATTEST:


Farris H. Bibb, Jr., Mayor


Derek Watson, City Recorder