



**City of Blue Ridge
City Council Meeting**

Minutes

December 12, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Blue Ridge City Hall

480 West First Street

Blue Ridge, Ga 30513

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Rhonda Haight called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Mayor Rhonda Haight, Council Members William Whaley, Angie Arp, Jack Taylor, Christy Kay, Bill Bivins, City Administrator Eric Soroka, and City Clerk Amy Mintz.

2. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Council Member Whaley.

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

a. November 8, 2023 – Public Hearing

A motion to approve was offered by Council Member Whaley, seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed with Council Member Bivins abstaining.

b. November 8, 2023 – Workshop

A motion to approve was offered by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Whaley, passed with Council Member Bivins abstaining.

c. November 14, 2023 – Council Meeting

A motion to approve was offered by Council Member Whaley, seconded by Council Member Bivins, passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Agenda or Motion to Amend Agenda (if applicable)

A motion to approve was offered by Council Member Arp, seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed unanimously.

5. Public Hearings

City Administrator explained the following to be voted on:

- a. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM SECTION 140-213 ("C-2 AREA, YARD AND HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS") OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE GEORGIA ("CODE") TO PERMIT NO REAR SETBACK WHERE A FIFTEEN FEET SETBACK WOULD OTHERWISE BE REQUIRED BY THE CODE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10081 BLUE RIDGE DRIVE AND IDENTIFIED AS TAX PARCEL BR01-107. **BR2023-33**

A motion to adopt was offered by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Whaley, passed unanimously. Adopted ad BR2023-33

6. Consent Agenda

None.

7. Action Agenda Items (Items Requiring the Approval of the City Council)

City Administrator explained the following to be voted on:

- a. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA ADOPTING THE WATER AND SEWER RATE SCHEDULE ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **BR2023-32**

A motion to adopt was offered by Council Member Whaley, seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed unanimously. Adopted as BR2023-32

8. Discussion Agenda Items

None

9. Reports

None

10. Public Comment

Do not misconstrue this as a question-and-answer session with the Mayor/Council. Limit 3 minutes per person. Please state name and address before comments. All comments should be addressed to the Mayor.

- a. Julie Whuten

A motion to extend time was offered by Council Member Whaley, seconded by Council Member Arp, passed unanimously.

11. Executive Session (If Needed)

A motion to enter into executive session was offered by Council Member Whaley, Seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed unanimously. Entered into executive session 6:14 PM.

A motion to adjourn executive session was offered by Council Member Whaley, Seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed unanimously. Adjourned executive session 7:16 PM.

A motion to approve a new hire for the Tax and License Position was offered by Council Member Whaley, seconded by Council Member Taylor, passed unanimously.

12. Adjournment

Mayor Haight adjourned the meeting at 7:16 PM.



Mayor, Rhonda Haight



City Clerk, Amy Mintz

January 16, 2024

Date

