



City of Whitewright  
City Council  
REGULAR MEETING  
Whitewright Visitors Center  
111 W. Grand  
August 1st, 2023, 6:30 p.m.  
Minutes

The City Council of Whitewright met for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 1st, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Whitewright Visitors Center, the same being open to the public with the following members present:

Councilmember	Traci Barr
Councilmember	Diana Scott
Councilmember	Barry Wheeler
Councilmember	Shirley Ballard

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 p.m.
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. ROLL CALL

Tona Shiplet – Mayor - Present	Traci Barr - Present	Diana Scott - Absent
John Simon - Present	Barry Wheeler-Mayor Pro Tem - Present	Shirley Ballard - Present

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS — At this time, any person may address the City Council regarding an item on this meeting agenda that is not scheduled for public hearing. Also, at this time, any person may address the Council regarding an item that is not on this meeting agenda. Each person will be allowed up to three (3) minutes to speak. No discussion or action may be taken at this meeting on items not listed on this agenda, other than to make statements of specific factual information in response to a citizen's inquiry or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry. *Sara Beth Owen talked about an allocation for 4A & 4B to be put on our website.*

6. MAYOR UPDATES

- 6.1 August 7<sup>th</sup> Municipal Court 9:00 am 111 W Grand
  - 6.2 Library for August: Aug. 2nd Summer Reading Program 10:00 a.m., Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> Stem Club 10:30 a.m. at 206 W. Grand
  - 6.3 August 7th Whitewright Economic Development 4A 4:30 p.m. 113 W. Grand
  - 6.4 August 7th Whitewright Community Development 4B 6:00 p.m. 113 W. Grand
  - 6.5 August 7<sup>th</sup> Meet the Teacher Whitewright ISD
  - 6.6 August 9<sup>th</sup> First day of school Whitewright ISD
  - 6.7 August 10th Cemetery Board 3:30 p.m. pm 111 W Grand
  - 6.8 September 5<sup>th</sup> City Council Regular Meeting
- \*\*\*Food Pantry OPEN 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Thursday for pick up \*\*\*

7. CONSENT AGENDA (All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)

7.1 \*To approve bills paid in July 2023 page 1

7.2 \*Approve Minutes

a. July 5, 2023

7.3 \*Grayson County Property Tax Report

a. July, 2023

7.4 \*Report from Fire Department — Fire Chief John Sinor

Incident County, Incident Type, Statistics, Responding Personnel, Grants, and equipment maintenance.

7.5 \*Report from Library Director — Chris Ely

Library statistics

7.6 \*Report from Public Works Director — Brandon Latimer

Leaks, New Well Construction, Wastewater Plant, Wells, Towers, Meters, Shop/Vehicle Maintenance

7.7 \*Report from Water Department

Number of customers, delinquencies, number of new customers

7.8 \*Report from Police Department — Chief Chad Stallings

Fuel Consumption, citations issued, crime data report.

7.9 \*Municipal Court Report — Brandi Robinson

Monthly Fines and Court Costs received and Monthly Statistics

7.10 \*Report from EMS Department — EMS Director John Sinor

Number of runs, fuel consumption, repairs to ambulance

7.11 \*Financial Reports — Nancy Reynolds  
Current financial reports.

7.12 \*4A current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

7.13 \*4B current financial reports. Current Bills/Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

*Councilmember J Simon made a motion to approve the consent agenda*

*Councilmember B Wheeler second the motion*

*Motion passed 5-0*

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 Swear in officer Fite**

Officer Fite was sworn in by Mayor Tona Shiplet

**8.2 Consider, discuss and act on changes to the RV Ordinance #553**

Councilmember J Simon made a motion to table 8.2 until councilmembers can email their ideas to the City Secretary

Councilmember D Scott second the motion

*Motion passed 5-0*

**8.3 Consider, discuss and act on accepting Eric Prindle's resignation from the CDC (B-Board)**

Councilmember J Simon approved the resignation of Eric Prindle

Councilmember S Ballard second the motion

*Motion approved 5-0*

**8.4 Consider, discuss and act on accepting CDC (B-Board) recommendation to add Kelby Shaw**

Councilmember J Simon made a motion to accept Kelby Shaw to the CDC (B board)

Councilmember S Ballard second the motion

*Motion passed 5-0*

**8.5 Consider, discuss and act on extending the final date on well # 5 project**

Councilmember B Wheeler made a motion to accept a 45-day extension

Councilmember D Scott second the motion

*Motion passed 5-0*

**8.6 Discuss dates for tax rate and budget hearings**

Dates were discussed

**8.7 Set a date to have an annual meeting with the B-Board for yearly updates**

Councilmember J Simon made a motion to postpone a yearly update meeting

Councilmember D Scott second the motion

*Motion passed 5-0*

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074, Personnel Matters; to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Goals and Duties of the Police Chief

**END EXECUTIVE SESSION**

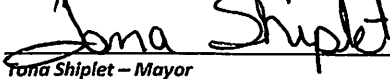
**11. RECONVENE**

Reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session

**12. COUNCIL CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**

**13. ADJOURN**

ATTEST:

  
Tona Shiplet — Mayor

  
Nancy Reynolds — City Secretary