

Mayor
Rhonda Haight

City Council
Angie Arp, Mayor Pro Tempore
Jack Taylor
Christy Kay
Bill Bivins
William Whaley



City Administrator
Eric M. Soroka

City Clerk
Amy Mintz

City Attorney
Chuck Conerly

City of Blue Ridge
City Council Meeting
RECAP

April 19, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Blue Ridge City Hall
480 West First Street
Blue Ridge, Ga 30513

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1. **Call Meeting to Order 5:00 PM**
 2. **Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance Led by Council Member Whaley**
 3. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting Approved**
 - a) March 15, 2022 (Council Meeting)
 - b) April 7, 2022 (Workshop/ Visioning Session)
 4. **Approval of Agenda or Motion to Amend Agenda (if applicable) Approved**
 5. **Called Public Hearings (rezoning or appeals authorized by Ordinance)**
 - a) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 22 ("TRAFFIC CODE"), ARTICLE II ("PARKING SCHEDULES") OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA BY REPEALING AND REPLACING, IN ITS ENTIRETY, SECTION 22-51 ("RESTRICTED PARKING") PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SECOND READING)
Adopted as Ordinance No. BR 2022-10
 - b) AN ODINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, ESTABLISHING GENERAL PURCHASING REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO CITY CHARTER SECTION 6.31 ("PURCHASING"); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SECOND READING)
Adopted as Ordinance No. BR2022-11
 - c) MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE THE REQUIRED LEGISLATION TO ALLOW THE PROPERTY LOCATION AT 180 MOUNTAIN HIDEAWAY TRAIL, BLUE RIDGE BE DEANNEXED FROM THE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY.
Denied
 - d) AN ORDINANCE (I) TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 ("ADMINISTRATION"), ARTICLE III

Our Mission Statement

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("DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS"), DIVISION 1 ("GENERALLY"), SECTION 2-52 ("DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATION") OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA; (II) TO DELETE DIVISION 2 ("DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL"), DIVISION 3 ("DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE"), DIVISION 4 ("WATER MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT"), DIVISION 5 ("STREET MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT"), AND DIVISION 6 ("DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND BUILDING INSPECTION") IN THEIR ENTIRETY; AND (III) TO RENUMBER DIVISION 7 ("CITY PLANNING COMMISSION"), DIVISION 8 ("BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS"), AND DIVISION 9 ("AREA PLANNING COMMISSION"). (FIRST READING)

First Reading

6. Consent Agenda **Approved**

- a) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, ADOPTING THE PLANNING AND ZONING APPLICATION FEE SCHEDULE ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
BR2022-13
- b) MOTION TO APPROVE A NON-BUDGETED EXPENDITURE OF \$3,100 FOR A POLICE BODY CAMERA FOR THE PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS.
- c) MOTION TO APPROVE A NON-BUDGETED EXPENDITURE FOR SECURITY CAMERAS TO BE LOCATED AT THE CITY'S WATER PLANT FACILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,412.83.
- d) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ON THE CITY'S BEHALF TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED CONTRACT FOR PROBATION SUPERVISION SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY AND CSRA PROBATION SERVICES, INC. AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
BR2022-14
- e) MOTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE TASK RELEASE NO. 38 UNDER MASTER ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE AND CARTER SLOOP, INC. FOR PAVING AND SIDEWALK EVALUATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,500.

7. Action Agenda Items (Items requiring the approval of the City Council)

- a) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO PLANNING COMMISSION
Appointed two (2) new members, reappointed three (3) current members.
- b) A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, STATE OF GEORGIA, TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. BR 2018-12-11, BY WHICH THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE CREATED THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA ("DDA"), TO RESTATE AND CLARIFY THE POWERS AND DUTIES CONFERRED UPON THE DDA.
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8. Reports **None**

9. Public Comments

- a) Downtown Development Authority Update
- b) Blue Ridge Business Association Update

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- c) Cody Chinn
 - d) Robert Borgwat – Trout Festival
10. **Executive Session (if needed) Opened at 5:32 PM. Adjourned at 6:13 PM.**
 11. **Adjournment 6:13 PM.**

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