<u>Town of Faison</u>

June 5, 2024

Mayor William "Billy" Ward, II

Commissioners:

Christy Allen Kenneth Avent, Jr. Lee Kennedy Sandy McCarty Carlos Quintanilla (absent)

Others Attending: Law Office of Joseph Ezzell, PLLC Sharon Lee, Town Clerk Jimmy Tyndall, Executive Administrator Matthew Scott, Recreation Director

Board Meeting

Mayor Ward opened the board meeting at 7:00pm. Mayor Ward opened the meeting with prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Ward presented the agenda. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the agenda with the addition to move the Fire Department allocations and seconded by Commissioner McCarty, and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward opened the public hearing for the 2024-2025 Budget.

Mayor Ward presented the May 1, 2024, regular board meeting minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Mayor Ward presented the May 1, 2024 Closed Session meeting minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve the Closed Session meeting minutes and seconded by Commissioner Lee and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward presented the financials.

Mayor Ward presented the Comment Forms.

Mayor Ward asked Sharon Lee to go over the budget and budget ordinance. Sharon Lee went over the two updated budget ordinances, one with the Sheriff's Department contract and one without the Sheriff's Department. Sharon Lee stated that if we go with the budget with the Sheriff's Department contract in it, I had to cut money that was budgeted for recreation department because that was the only place I could move it from. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to approve the Budget Ordinance without the Sheriff's Department contract included and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Mayor Ward presented the salary increases for 2024-25. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve the salary increases listed and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Mayor Ward presented the Water Sewer rate increases for 2024-25. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve the Water Sewer rate increases for 2024-25 and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Mayor Ward presented the General Fund line-item budget without the Sheriff's Department contract, Powell Bill and Water Sewer. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the General Fund budget without the Sheriff's Department, Powell Bill and Water Sewer line-item budgets and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward asked Matthew Scott to report on the recreation Department. Matthew Scott stated that we will start the flag football games this Saturday and we have camps lined up for the summer.

Mayor Ward asked the FIG representatives if they would like to address the board. Jake Atkinson, current chair of the Business Relations Committee stated that FIG would like to join a partnership with the Town of Faison for an end of summer movie night with food and activities for free on August 17, 2024. The Town of Faison has committed to pay up to \$1,000.00 for the FIG program. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to partnership with FIG for the movie night August 17, 2024 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward asked Jimmy Tyndall to discuss the Planning Board request. Jimmy Tyndall stated that we had a variance request from a property owner at 212 N Hill Street asking for the property to separate two dwellings on the property. Jimmy Tyndall asked the board to call for a public hearing at our next meeting July 10, 2024. Motion made by Commissioner McCarty to call for a public hearing for July 10, 2024 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward asked Jimmy Tyndall to address the board about a Water Plant Improvement Resolution for a change order. Jimmy Tyndall stated that the parts for the filters have to be made so they have had to move the completion date. Motion made by Commissioner Allen to approve the change order resolution and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward presented the Budget Amendments 18-21. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve Budget Amendment #18 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Motion made by Commissioner Avent to approve Budget Amendment #19 and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve Budget Amendment #20 and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve Budget Amendment #20 and seconded by Commissioner McCarty and it passed. All in favor 4/4. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy to approve #21 and seconded by Commissioner Avent and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Mayor Ward asked if any board members have any updates. Commissioner Avent asked about the dumpsters at the Community Garden. Jimmy Tyndall stated that he did not know when the dumpsters would be removed but he would contact them.

Mayor Ward asked Jimmy Tyndall to update the board on the transferring of funds for the soccer complex. Jimmy Tyndall stated that the funds budgeted for the Fire Department would not be able to be distributed to the fire department this year and we would like to move these funds for the recreation department to purchase bleachers for the soccer complex and finish completing the concession stand and bathrooms for the soccer complex. Motion made by Commissioner Kennedy

to do a budget amendment of \$30,000.00 to move the money not used for the Fire Department to the soccer complex and seconded by Commissioner Allen and it passed. All in favor 4/4.

Motion made by Commissioner Avent to adjourn the meeting 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

William "Billy" Ward, II, Mayor

Sharon Lee, Town Clerk