

**The regular meeting of the Murphy Town Council was held on September 5, 2023 at 5:00 pm at City Hall.**

Town Manager: Chad Simons  
Attorney: Mack Cowan  
Police Chief Tim Lominac

Mayor Tim Radford  
Council: Barry McClure, Frank Dickey  
Charlene Smith, Gail Walker Stansell

Mayor Tim Radford led the town with the pledge of allegiance.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Approval of Agenda**

**Motion was made by Smith to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Approval of the Minutes**

**Motion was made by Stansell to approve the August 10, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **CDBG Valley River Apartments Budget Amendment**

Town Manager Chad Simons informed the Council that the town is receiving an additional \$1.739 million in CDBG funds to fund the Valley River Apartments Project. The budget amendment would increase grant proceeds by \$1.739 million, planning expenses by \$150,000, Water improvements by \$794,500, and Sewer improvements by \$794,500. Mr. Simons said town rate payers would not pay anything toward the project.

**Motion was made by Dickey to approve the budget amendment as presented. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the amendment is attached in the minute book.**

### **Pool Hall Regulations**

Mrs. Gail Walker Stansell asked the Town Attorney if they could amend the proposed ordinance tonight without having additional readings. Mrs. Stansell wanted to add language that would take away pool tables from establishments that do not adhere to rules over a period of time.

Town Attorney Mack Cowan said that would alter the proposed amendment and require an additional reading, potentially.

**Motion was made by McClure to adopt the proposed code amendment to Pool Hall Regulations. Motion carried. Vote: 3 to 1. Voting no: Mr. Frank Dickey.**

### **Murphy ABC Board Reappointment**

**Motion was made by Stansell to reappoint Mr. Brian Smith to another three year term on the Murphy Alcohol Beverage Control Board. Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Monthly Reports**

**Motion was made by Smith to approve the monthly reports as presented.**

### **Resolution of Solidarity to Address Homelessness in Cherokee County**

Mayor Radford read the resolution drafted by County Attorney Darryl Brown.

Mr. Frank Dickey commented that the resolution reads well, but noted that the Town of Murphy is carrying the burden of the homeless shelter being in Murphy.

**Motion was made by McClure to approve the Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously. A copy of the Resolution is attached in the minute book.**

### **Discussion**

Mayor Radford discussed with the Town Council about the process to fill Mrs. Barbara Hughes' seat. Mayor Radford discussed the process and asked for a motion to appoint Mrs. Cindy Chastain to serve out the remainder of the term that ends December 2025.

**Motion was made by Dickey to appoint Mrs. Cindy Howard Chastain to fill the vacant seat left by the resignation of Mrs. Barbara Hughes – which expires December 2025.**

### **Adjourn**

**Motion was made by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 pm. Motion carried unanimously.**