

MINUTES – February 13, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Big Flat City Council was called to order by Glenda Wiseman, Mayor.

Council Members Present: Sharon White, Lonnie Holt, Bonnie Sutterfield, Shawn Shelton, & Kim Shelton.

Guests & Others Present: Bobby Wallis, Fire Chief,

Mike Treat read the January Minutes & Bank Reconciliations for General Fund, Building Fund, Street Fund, Fire Fund, ARPA Fund, & Water Project Fund.

Water Dept. Report: Rich Hiter, Water Operator read the Bank Reconciliations then reported bids for Water Project had been opened on January 29. Glenda reported that recommendation(s) for contractor were not ready at time of meeting, however, they would be received very soon. Need for a Special Meeting as soon as they were ready. Rich reported had not yet talked with Jeff Ramsey re Jerrod Ramsey's large unpaid water bill & had written off as a loss for now. Has been checking on prices for meter reading equipment for water project. No problems with pump/well.

Fire Dept. Report: Bobby reported 4 call outs past month. Discussed asking for bids or other means to dispose of trucks no longer needed. Tabled till March.

Motion by Sharon, 2nd by Bonnie to accept minutes as read. All Voted – passed.

As the 2024 Actual Budgets had been given to council member prior to the meeting with only a couple of questions answered, a motion was made by Kim, 2nd by Sharon to adopt Resolution # 2132025A as the 2024 Actual Budgets for the City of Big Flat, Arkansas. All Voted – passed.

Noted that had closed on sale of Parking Lot Property on Jan 13th with \$9,706.00 deposited in General Fund.

50/50 Matching Rural Community Grant was closed. ARPA Funds remaining from our match (\$5,318.00) need to be spent to complete present renovation & to close out that account. Several options were discussed with folding tables & entryway floor mats being looked into first.

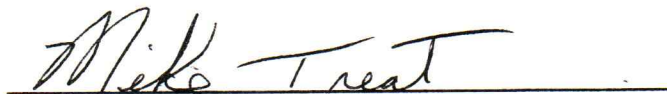
Glenda reported City Park & Domino Shed were now officially listed on the National Register of Historic Places to visit. Please help keep these places free of trash & looking nice as people do visit these places.

It was noted that Lisa Coleman, from the Baxter Co Historical Society is making a special display featuring Big Flat at the Baxter Co. Museum. She has requested that anyone who would like to either loan or donate anything of a historical nature that has been a part of Big Flat's history contact her at 870-421-7504. The museum is now housed in a larger renovated building on Bomber Blvd. just off Hwy. 62.

Due to a number of changes that have occurred since 2009 when the Agreement between Big Flat & Fifty-Six for the "Consolidated Emergency Line" was agreed upon & signed by both City Councils, the need for updating has become imperative. To that end a motion by Shawn, 2nd by Lonnie was made to retain Attorney J. Tyler Henderson to represent the City of Big Flat, Arkansas & the Big Flat Water System in negotiating with the City of Fifty-Six regarding a fair cost of water when exchanged between the cities & in the maintaining & operation of the equipment & pump house located between the cities on Hwy. 14. All Voted – passed.

An agreement between the City of Big Flat and Mr. Henderson was signed & faxed to him on Friday, February 14, 2025.

With no other business, a motion was made by Shawn, 2nd by Lonnie to adjourn. All Voted – passed.



Mike Treat, Recorder/Treasurer