

City of Ashville
Council Meeting
January 21, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

Mayor Derrick Mostella called the Council meeting to order at 6:05 pm on January 21, 2025.

Mayor Derrick Mostella, Councilmembers Adam Abernathy, Robin Bowlin, Edward Roscoe Lane, and Denise Williams were present. Councilmember Shirley Smith was absent.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve the final meeting agenda with the addition of Christmas Lights and Water Late fees. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the final meeting agenda with the addition of Christmas Lights and Water Late fees; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2025, Council Meeting. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2025, Council Meeting; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Citizen Cedric Bothwell was present stating that it was going to cost him \$6,000 to have a municipal certified plumber do the tap. Kevin Roberson, Water & Sewer Supervisor, was present and stated that the water department will expose the sewer line and cover it back up. The municipal certified plumber will need to be onsite to make the tap.

Citizen Bessie Williams did not attend.

Mayor Derrick Mostella opened the public hearing at 6:29pm for public comments regarding the rezone request for Josh Bates at or near 20865 US Hwy 11 Steele (Parcel 05-06-24-0-000-009.003). The property is zoned RE and Mr. Bates is requesting that his be rezoned to R1 to allow for a 1,000 sq ft home. Mr. Bates stated he wasn't aware that he was in the city limits of Ashville when he began building his 520 sq foot home so he didn't realize he needed to follow the square footage requirements. He can increase the size of the home by making it larger on the right side of the home to meet the required 1,000 square feet. Mr. Bates stated he stopped work immediately on the house in August 2024 when he was told he was in the city limits with RE restrictions. Mr. Bates stated the addition will still meet setback lines. Councilman Abernathy state the Planning Commission deliberated in length about it and made the recommendation to allow the rezone to R1 to decrease the minimum square footage. There were no other comments. Mayor Mostella closed the public hearing at 6:43pm.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to suspend the rules of order and consider Ordinance 2025-001 Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Rezone Parcel 05-06-24-0-000-009.003 from RE to R1. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to suspend the rules of order and consider Ordinance 2025-001 Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Rezone Parcel 05-06-24-0-000-009.003 from RE to R1. Councilmember Edward Roscoe

Lane seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, Councilmember Denise Williams voted yes, Councilmember Adam Abernathy voted yes, Mayor Derrick Mostella voted yes, Councilmember Robin Bowlin voted yes, Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to consider Ordinance 2025-001 Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Rezone Parcel 05-06-24-0-000-009.003 from RE to R1. The Planning Commission's recommendation to the City Council is to approve the rezone. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve Ordinance 2025-001 Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Rezone Parcel 05-06-24-0-000-009.003 from RE to R1. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve the ABC License for Young Oil, Inc dba Grub Mart 31 (the former BP location) to sell Retail Beer (off premises only) and Retail Table Wine (off premises only). Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to approve the ABC License for Young Oil, Inc dba Grub Mart 31 (the former BP location) to sell Retail Beer (off premises only) and Retail Table Wine (off premises only). Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2025-002 Funding for National Fitness Campaign. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-002 Funding for National Fitness Campaign. Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to reappoint Jennifer Spears to the Planning Commission thru January 20, 2031. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to reappoint Jennifer Spears to the Planning Commission thru January 20, 2031; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to ratify the closing of City Offices on January 10, 2025, due to inclement weather. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane made a motion to ratify the closing of City Offices on January 10, 2025, due to inclement weather; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve a spend of \$10,000 on new Christmas Lights for the poles. This will be a budget amendment. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve a spend of \$10,000 on new Christmas Lights for the poles. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to forego the late fees on water bills in January 2025 due to the water bills not being received timely. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to forego the late fees on water bills in January 2025 due to the water bills not being received timely. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to pay the bills due. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the bills due. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion, all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Announcements:

- The next City Council meeting will be February 3, 2025, at 6pm. The work session will begin at 5:30pm.
- City Hall will be closed Monday, February 17, 2025, for the President's Day Holiday.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane seconded the motion, all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Derrick Mostella, Mayor

Chrystal St. John, City Clerk