

AGENDA
Ohatchee Town Council
April 11, 2023

Welcome Special Guest Mrs. Gail Frey Ohatchee High School Principal;

Approve the work session and minutes of March 14, 2023 meeting;

Approve the Special Called Meeting minutes of March, 22, 2023 meeting;

Discuss and Approve Mayor Baswell's recommendation to move \$1 million dollars into CD's due to interest rate increase;

Approve 2023 Back to School Sales Tax Holiday beginning July 21-23, 2023; Deadline for notification is June 21, 2023;

Approve WVOK-FM Radio Station's request to change licensing from Oxford Alabama to Ohatchee Alabama;

Discuss and Approve Power Washing Quote for Indian Village Plaza recommended by Ohatchee Beautification Committee;

First Reading of Ordinance No. 23-04-01, an Ordinance of Regulating Telecommunication Towers and Antennas in the Town of Ohatchee;

Other Business:

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Steven E. Baswell
Mayor

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Council Member Place No. 1

J.M. "Butch" Mitchell
Council Member Place No. 2

Anthony Crosson
Council Member Place No. 3

Teresa G. Lott
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OHATCHEE TOWN COUNCIL

WORKSESSION

APRIL 11, 2023

Ohatchee Town Council met on Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 5:30 pm at the Municipal Complex for a Pre-Council Work Session. Members present were Mayor Steven Baswell, Council Members Celesia Jennings, Anthony Crosson, and Butch Mitchell. Others present were Chief Alan Kelly and Special Guest Ohatchee High School Principal Gail Frey.

Mayor Baswell declared a Quorum present and called the Work Session to order at 5:30 PM.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve the work session and minutes of March 14, 2023 meeting;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve the Special Called Meeting minutes of March, 22, 2023 meeting;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to discuss and approve Mayor Baswell's recommendation to move \$1 million dollars into CD's due to interest rate increase;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve 2023 Back to School Sales Tax Holiday beginning July 21-23, 2023; Deadline for notification is June 21, 2023;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve WVOK-FM Radio Station's request to change licensing from Oxford Alabama to Ohatchee Alabama;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to discuss and approve Power Washing Quote for Indian Village Plaza recommended by Ohatchee Beautification Committee;

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to look over Ordinance No. 23-04-01, an Ordinance of Regulating Telecommunication Towers and Antennas in the Town of Ohatchee, before having the first reading;

Other Business:

Principal Gail Frey brought before the Council asking for support in her efforts to acquire a running Track to be used for Practice and Meets. She is preparing to write a Grant in order to fund the project. Principal Frey proposes to become active in community in order for Council and School to work together and be aware of activities in the community.

Work Session Adjourned: 5:52 PM

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COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 11, 2023

Ohatchee Town Council met on Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 5:52 PM immediately following the Work Session at the Municipal Complex for a Council Meeting. Members present were Mayor Steven Baswell, Council Members Celesia Jennings, Anthony Crosson, and Butch Mitchell. Others present were Chief Alan Kelly and Special Guest Ohatchee High School Principal Gail Frey.

Mayor Baswell declared a Quorum present and called the Work Session to order at 5:52 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Baswell.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve the Work Session and Minutes of March 14, 2023 meeting. Council Member Butch Mitchell made a motion to approve as written. Council Member Celesia Jennings seconded the Motion. All voted Aye. Motion Passed.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve the Special Called Meeting minutes of March 22, 2023 meeting. Council Member Celesia Jennings made a motion to approve as written. Council Member Anthony Crosson seconded the Motion. All voted Aye. Motion Passed.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to discuss and approve Mayor Baswell's recommendation to move \$1 million dollars into CD's due to interest rate increase. Council Member Celesia Jennings made a motion to Approve. Council Member Butch Mitchell seconded the Motion. All voted Aye. Motion Passed.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve 2023 Back to School Sales Tax Holiday beginning July 21-23, 2023; Deadline for notification is June 21, 2023. Council Member Butch Mitchell made a Motion to Approve. Council Member Celesia Jennings seconded the Motion. All voted Aye. Motion Passed.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to approve WVOK-FM Radio Station's request to change licensing from Oxford Alabama to Ohatchee Alabama. Council Member Butch Mitchell made a Motion to Approve. Council Member Celesia Jennings seconded the Motion. All voted Aye. Motion Passed.

Mayor Baswell asked the Council to discuss and approve Power Washing Quote from Lee's Lawn Care and Landscaping, for Indian Village Plaza recommended by Ohatchee Beautification Committee at a cost of \$900.00. After Discussion Council agreed to check into quote details further. Council agreed to readdress this item at the May meeting.

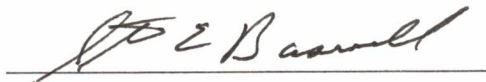
Mayor Baswell asked the Council to look over Ordinance No. 23-04-01, an Ordinance of Regulating Telecommunication Towers and Antennas in the Town of Ohatchee, before having the first reading. After discussion, Council agreed to readdress this item at the May meeting due to further editing of the Ordinance.

Other Business:

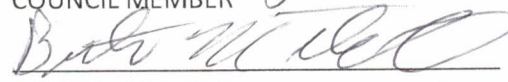
With no further business to discuss Mayor Baswell asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Celestia Jennings made a Motion to Adjourn. Council Member Anthony Crosson seconded the Motion.


Council Meeting Adjourned at 6:05 PM.

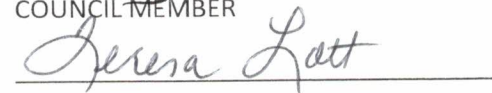

TOWN CLERK

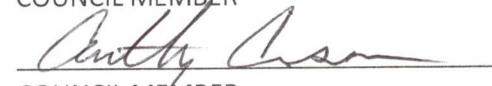

MAYOR


COUNCIL MEMBER


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March 14, 2023

2023 “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday

July 21-23, 2023

Deadline to notify ADOR: June 21, 2023

The 2023 “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 21, 2023, and ends at twelve midnight on Sunday, July 23, 2023. As required by Rule 810-6-3-.65, a participating county or municipality shall submit a certified copy of their adopted resolution or ordinance providing for the Sales Tax Holiday, and any subsequent amendments thereof, to the Alabama Department of Revenue before June 21, 2023. The Department will compile this information into a list of all counties and municipalities participating in the “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday and issue a current publication of the list on its website at: <https://revenue.alabama.gov/sales-use/sales-tax-holidays/>. Notification of participation in the sales tax holiday may not be included in the published list if received after June 21, 2023.

Retail businesses and the public need to know whether or not your locality will participate in the 2023 “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday. Please put it on your calendar to discuss and vote on this matter soon and notify the ADOR of the decision.

IMPORTANT

RESPONSE REQUIRED

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Participating? Send a certified copy of any resolution, ordinance, or amendment adopted by your locality.

Not Participating? Send an email, fax or letter (with signature line) stating: “The (City/Town/County) of _____ will not be participating in the 2022 Back-to-School Sales tax holiday.” It is important that you inform us of that fact, otherwise, retailers and the public wonder if you are participating and forgot to notify the Department of Revenue.

Retailers and the public rely on the list provided by the Department of Revenue and the Department cannot post a locality’s participation status based on assumption; notification of nonparticipation or a copy of the resolution/ordinance from the locality is required.

Notification can be faxed, mailed or emailed:

FAX: 334-242-8916

MAIL: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
ATTN: Pamela Spears
Sales & Use Tax Division
Post Office Box 327900
Montgomery, Alabama 36132-7900

EMAIL: pspears@revenue.alabama.gov

QUESTIONS: 334-242-1443

RESOLUTION R-23-05-01

PARTICIPATION IN THE "BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALES TAX HOLIDAY"

WHEREAS, 40-23-210 through 40-23-213, Code of Alabama 1975, provides for a Sales Tax Holiday for the exemption of the state sales and use tax for certain non-commercial purchases related to school clothing and supplies; and

WHEREAS, 40-23-231 Code of Alabama 1975, authorizes the Town Council to provide for an exemption of town sales and use taxes for purchases of certain items covered during the same time period in which the sales tax exemption is in place provided a resolution to that effect is adopted at least thirty days prior to the sales tax holiday; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ohatchee Town Council has affirmatively voted to grant the exemption of Town sales and use taxes on purchases covered by 40-23-210 through 40-23-213, Code of Alabama 1975, during the third full weekend of July, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 21, 2023 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, July 23, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Code of Alabama 1975, §11-51-210 (e) requires that the Town Council notify the Alabama Department of Revenue of any new local tax or amendment to an existing local tax levy at least 30 days prior to the effective date of the change; and

WHEREAS, the exemption of certain Town sales and use taxes for the time period herein adopted by the Town Council is an amendment to the Town's sales and use tax levy warranting notice to the Alabama Department of Revenue as provided in Code of Alabama 1975 §11-51-210 (e);

WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OHATCHEE, that it does hereby provide for an exemption of the town sales and use tax on purchases of items covered by 40-23-210 through 40-23-213 Code of Alabama 1975 beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, July 21, 2023 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, July 23, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the May 09, 2023 meeting of the Ohatchee Town Council, and be immediately forwarded to the Alabama Department of Revenue in compliance with Code of Alabama 1975 §11-51-210 (e).

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 9th day of May, 2023.

Karin Cooper
Town Clerk



St E Baswell
Mayor

Brad Wolf
Councilmember

Cecilia Jennings
Councilmember

Ken E. Houder
Councilmember

Serena Loet
Councilmember

Arthy Coan
Councilmember