CEDAR BLUFF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2015 AT 5:30 PM

The Town Council of the Town of Cedar Bluff, County of Cherokee, State of Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Room at Town Hall, 3420 Spring Street, Cedar Bluff, Alabama on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. pursuant to notice duly posted as prescribed by law. Mayor Tammy Crane presided and called the meeting to order. Members in attendance were as follows:

Tammy Crane  Billie Burkhalter
Mayor District 1

Jerry Sprayberry  Norman Burton
District 3 District 4

Leatha Harp
District 5

Councilmember Dewayne Agan was absent.

The invocation was given by Councilmember Leatha Harp
Mayor Crane led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Approval of Council Minutes from February 9, 2015**
   The motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting was made by Councilmember Norman Burton and seconded by Councilmember Jerry Sprayberry.

   Motion Carried (5-0)
   AYE: Burton, Burkhalter, Harp, Sprayberry, Crane
   NAY: None
   ABSTAIN: None

2. **New Business**
   a. **Financial Report for February**
      The financial reports were distributed to the council for their review.

   b. **Approval of Firefighter Jason Stewart**
      Councilmember Norman Burton made the motion to approve Jason Stewart as a firefighter and Councilmember Leatha Harp seconded the motion.

   Motion Carried (5-0)
   AYE: Burton, Burkhalter, Harp, Sprayberry, Crane
   NAY: None
c. **Discussion of Purchasing Property from the Cedar Bluff Utility Board**
   Councilmember Jerry Sprayberry made the motion to offer the Cedar Bluff Utility Board $7,500.00 for the property they have for sale located on Martha Vera Lane between Town Hall and Parkside Music School. Councilmember Leatha Harp seconded the motion.

   Motion Carried (4-0)
   AYE: Burkhalter, Harp, Sprayberry, Crane
   NAY: None
   ABSTAIN: Burton

d. **Discussion of Applying for Grants for the Year 2015**
   Mayor Tammy Crane stated the Council needed to decide about applying for the CDBG Road Grant again this year. Councilmember Norman Burton stated that he recommended not applying and he felt the Town could do more with the match money that has to be set aside for over a year. Councilmember Billie Burkhalter stated she felt the Town should talk with the County Engineer to see what he could do with the $70,000 match money as far as paving roads. No vote was made, but all members agreed to not reapply for the CDBG Road Grant this year. Mayor Crane asked about going forward with getting some roads paved and it was decided to address the issue at the next meeting.
   Councilmember Burton stated the Town is in the process of looking into applying for a Park Grant, but more would be determined on it after the ADECA workshop.

3. **Police Department Report for February 2015**
   The report was read by Police Chief Steve Walden as follows:

   **Reports:**
   Theft: 5
   Accident: 2
Other: 1

Traffic Citations:
Speeding: 28
Run stop sign: 1
No insurance: 2
No license: 1
Equipment Violations: 1
Improper passing: 1

Traffic Accidents: 2

4. Fire Department Report for February 2015
The fire department report for February 2015 was read as follows:

Grass/Brush Fires: 3
Medical: 6
Vehicle Accidents: 5
Other: 1
Total: 15

Council was presented with the building inspector report for February 2015 as follows:

1 Building Permit
1 Electrical Permit

6. Citizen Comments

a. Sean Buntin – Options for Paving Town Streets

Mr. Buntin addressed the Mayor and Council with the issue of the condition of Rocky Ford Point Road. Mr. Buntin stated he would like to go on record and the minutes to reflect he feels the road is a danger and he is especially concerned with the school bus having to travel on the road daily. He stated the bus has to drive on the wrong side of the road to avoid the rough areas. He asked about the gas tax money the town receives from the state.
b. **Gloria Thacker – International Property Maintenance Code**
   Mrs. Thacker addressed the Council concerning the International Property Maintenance Code stating she felt that new residents and businesses are not attracted to the area due to the fact that Maintenance Codes are not being enforced by the Town.
   Mrs. Thacker also asked about the donation made several years ago of $5,000.00 by the Utility Board to the Town for the construction of a restroom in the park.

7. **Other Comments**
   Mayor Crane stated at this time she would like to address Liberty Day this year. Councilmember Jerry Sprayberry made the motion to have Liberty Day on June 27th and Councilmember Leatha Harp seconded.

   Motion Carried (5-0)
   AYE: Burkhalter, Burton, Harp, Sprayberry, Crane
   NAY: None
   ABSTAIN: None

8. **Adjourn**
   Councilmember Leatha Harp made the motion to Adjourn.

   Motion Carried

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Approved April 13, 2015

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Tammy Crane, Mayor
ATTEST

Susie Surrett, Town Clerk