

**TOWN OF TREZEVANT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 8th 2025**

The Official Board held their Regular Board Meeting on April 8th, 2025.

Mayor Bobby Blaylock called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Blaylock opened the meeting with prayer.

Board members present were Mark Argo, Leon Lyell, Dan Dieringer, Don Barger, and Pam Joyner

Lloyd Bateman, Eddie Granger, Ken and Barbi Martin, Kelsey Hand, Nick Roberts, and quite a few others were in attendance.

Minutes from March 11th, 2025, board meeting was distributed to board members prior to the meeting. Dan Dieringer made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Pam Joyner. After a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT/BOARD REPORTS:

Alderman Mark stated everything in water department is looking good. Alderman Dieringer gave the report for parks and sanitation. He stated mowing the fields when weather allows, that the grass was ankle to knee high at the ball field and work on bathroom completion. Alderman Lyell stated Brandon wants to help with Easter egg hunt. Alderman Barger stated the police officer has been off for personal reasons and health issues but the new police car is finished. Alderman Lyell stated that everything with the fire department looks good and Barry will take a look at the van. Alderman Joyner stated Mary Jo and Barry have been cleaning up the town, filling in potholes, and mowing. Mary Jo wants to purchase a clipper shredding leaf kit. Alderman Joyner also called Dana Deem and never received a call back. Joyner stated she got the run around when contacting MTAS. She also stated she was looking for more information and felt slighted.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC BUSINESS:

SUSPENSION OF STANDING RULE ON AGENDA ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The second reading for the drug policy corrected ordinance was passed. Motioned by Alderman Dieringer seconded by Alderman Joyner. After a roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gabrielle Davis spoke about the Budget Amendment for Solid Waste, she stated we spent more than what we budgeted for so it looks good to correct it, to make it more accurate. This was passed on the first reading. She also talked about the ordinance to increase sanitation rates, its currently \$14 for each trash can but we will raise it to \$16 for each can to get a jump start for next year when the rates go up again.

Brent Prescott attended to represent Beth Anne Farrell and Clay Farrell for their double wide trailer. They know the setbacks and the trailer wouldn't meet all of them, so they can to ask if they could be grandfathered in like their previous trailer. The couple stated that their trailer looks way better than the one they are in and would make the town look better as well. David Bryant and the board members stated they needed to speak with the planning commission. The planning commission is dormant. David Bryant stated he is on it and will talk with them about it after the meeting.

John Quinn and his wife Stephanie Rexinger attended the meeting and talked about their reptiles. John stated they have lived here only six weeks and the town was trying to shut down his wife's business. Only one person came up and talked to them about the reptiles which was alderman Don Barger. John stated that each state has rules and regulations they have to follow with their reptiles. "A simple ask would have squashed all this" Quinn said. John also demonstrated what the snakes stay in a racking system, it goes 11 high, 2.5 ft deep, and 14in wide. The snakes are ball pythons. They stay in a ball, if they were to escape, they would be dead with in two hours due to the incorrect temperature. John and his wife have done this for 5 years now. John and Stephanie go out of town every weekend to do shows, they stated they are not selling in this town. John also stated that the snakes are not hard to take care of, they only need food and water once a week. John and his wife also have been asked to come and educate homeschoolers about the snakes and hopefully the schools near/ in our town.

85 Skyline Dr came for the meeting and talked about how a piece of their property is zoned for a nature matter. They have already gone to court over this issue and it was dropped. They are confused on why the issue is coming back up when they went to court, they have a paper from the state saying it's a protected habitand they can't mow. They also stated that the rest of the property is well kept, they have planted fruit trees for the community for when they produce, and they just want to be left alone about this piece on the property since it is a natural habitat. Charlie Trotter stated that this started last year as pollinators and these people didn't do anything they said they were going to do. The street supervisor asked him to look into it again and how the grass is too high according to the ordinance. Trotter states we did send a letter inviting them to the city meeting to talk about the issue. This is the first step of the three-step program. They did not attend that meeting; Trotter tells the board all he needs is authorization to continue to step two which is going to be a ten-day letter. This letter will state get your yard mowed in ten days or we will get a court order from Chancery Court. The board agreed to postpone this motion as long as the Martins bring the documentation that they have from the state into City Hall.

Charlie Trotter stated that 190 Melton St did not come to the board meeting and we might have the issue resolved.

5842 E. Main St. was discussed by Trotter due to the violation of R1 Zoning. R1 is zoned for residential which means you can't have a business inside of this zone. John Quinn stated he isn't selling on the property or in the Town of Trezevant. Trotter states the use of this property is not permitted in this zoning. Trotter needed the boards approval to sue for improper use of the zoning, indicating breaking a zoning ordinance. Trotter explained how someone would have to read the zoning ordinance a couple of times before really understanding what its saying. Alderman Dieringer motioned for Trotter to proceed with legal action; Alderman Barger seconded. After a roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

Trotter states that he will call and ask Mr. Buton to come to our next town meeting and talk about tiny houses. Trotters also states that Buton works in/with our surrounding areas and only have three ways to go for tiny house; low density areas, high density areas, or don't have tiny houses at all. It will be a decision from the board and the planning commission to decide if they want tiny houses and really start by defining a tiny house.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Get with Gabrielle Davis for any budget changes within the next two weeks, this was not announced.

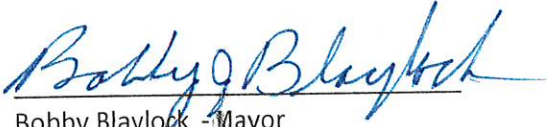
Delinquent Taxes: **2018- \$22.43**
2019- \$24.54
2020 - \$18.83
2021- \$265.76
2022 - \$311.43
2023 - \$1,398.89
2024 - \$6,258.51

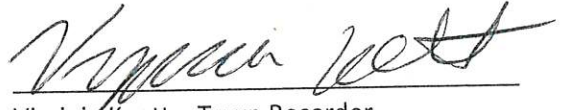
BANK BALANCES: As of 03/31/2025

General Fund - \$48,520.95
Water Fund - \$210,159.25
Street Aid - \$8,131.52
Water Reserve - \$542.18
Drug Fund - \$2,598.52
Solid Waste - \$1,940.73
SOR - \$809.67
Water Tank Reserve - \$11,601.00

Interest made on the LGIP for the month was \$2,922.15

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. Don Barger made a motion seconded by Dan Dieringer to adjourn.


Bobby Blaylock - Mayor


Virginia Knott - Town Recorder