

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE
TOWN OF WHITE CASTLE
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

This regular meeting was called to order by Mayor John Morris, III with the following in attendance:

Alderman Mervin Allen, Jr.
Alderman Erick Batiste
Alderman Charmarcus Lewis

Alderwoman Candice Depron
Alderman Kipp Knight

Guests: Charlton Bajon
Chief Brooks
Ofc. Geason

Sheriff Stassi
Ofc. Ryan Sims
Ofc. Gillis

This meeting was called to order with a silent prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Alderman Batiste offered a motion, seconded by Alderman Knight to amend the agenda for Sheriff Brett Stassi to be added to the agenda; this motion came to a roll call vote of all yeas, no nays, none absent, and the motion therefore carried.

Alderman Batiste offered a motion, seconded by Alderman Knight to adopt agenda with changes; this motion came to a roll call vote of all yeas, no nays, none absent, motion therefore carried.

Alderman Batiste offered a motion, seconded by Alderman Knight to approve the March 20, 2023 Board minutes; this motion came to a roll call vote of all yeas, no nays, none absent, motion therefore carried.

The public forum was opened with no comments.

Sheriff Brett Stassi spoke to the Council.

Alderman Batiste offered a motion, seconded by Alderman Knight to amend

Sec. 2-19. Use of town vehicles.

- (a) The town's vehicles shall not be driven outside the corporate limits of the town except for the following instances:
 - (1) When specifically involved in business for the town, which use shall require t documentation of the event, giving the date, time, place, and purpose, which document shall be maintained in a monthly report by the department head
 - (2) When assistance is requested beyond the Town's corporate limits by other governmental agencies or departments requiring the use of the town's vehicles, the Mayor, Police Chief, and Fire Chief must have granted approval.

- (3) When engaged in “hot pursuit” of traffic violators or of felons or persons who have committed misdemeanors; Reference the police pursuit manual and rules of engagement
- (b) The use of the town’s vehicle as a mode of transportation to and from work outside of the town’s corporate limit does not constitute official town business.
- (c) Only town employees, its elected officials, and volunteers with the police and/or fire department/fire responders, emergency medical technicians, and/or persons who are arrested and/or persons in need of police protection or escorting shall be allowed in the town’s vehicles.
- (d) The town’s vehicles shall not be used as a mode of transportation to and from work except for the mayor, the chief of police, the assistant chief, the senior captain, the town manager, the assistant town manager, and the maintenance supervisor.
- (e) In the instance the ordinance expands to the use of town vehicles as a mode of transportation to and from work to non-senior level personnel within the police department, the individual assigned a vehicle must agree to the \$50 dollar payroll deduction fuel charge for each pay period.

With no further business to discuss, Alderman Batiste offered a motion, seconded by Alderman Knight to adjourn the meeting; this motion came to a roll call vote of all yeas, no nays, none absent, motion therefore carried.

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR