

CITY OF RIVER BLUFF
MAYOR-COMMISSION BOARD
MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2026

The Mayor-Commission Board for the City of River Bluff met on June 23, 2026 at Goodness Grows Cooperative at 7:30 PM.

Residents: Marsha Hicks

Board members Present: Mayor Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer

Board members absent: Paulette Bryant

Appointed Official: Katie Buhts, Clerk.

Guest: None.

OCPD Monthly Report

An officer was not present to review the monthly police activity report. After reviewing the report, the board expressed concern regarding the low number of citations issued during the reporting period. Following discussion of the City's ongoing efforts to address speeding and stop sign violations, the Board agreed that increased enforcement through the issuance of citations is necessary to improve compliance with traffic laws. Lee Stanley will contact Scott Wolf to communicate the board's desire to see increased enforcement activity within the City.

Questions/Comments from Residents

Katie Buhts presented a concern that was emailed by resident Joe Rogers regarding the noise level at the sewage facility. Unfortunately, given that it is a private business and they are not violating any county or city ordinances, no action can be taken.

Minutes of May 2026 Accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report Accepted as presented.

The second reading of the budget ordinance was conducted. The Board discussed anticipated expenditures and projected cost increases for the upcoming fiscal year. Katie Buhts will contact KLC in the coming months to explore options for obtaining a higher rate of return on the City's reserve funds.

Following discussion of the budget line items, the Board agreed to increase the City's annual donation to Goodness Grows Cooperative. Tom Sheffer made a motion to approve the budget ordinance and increase the donation from \$500 to \$750 for the upcoming budget year. Lee Stanley seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

Lynn Grossman made a motion to adopt the taxing ordinance. Tom Sheffer seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

Old Business

Community Pride

All present agreed that this year's patriotic annuals are thriving and look incredible.

Lynn Grossman provided the board with two final options for the concrete retaining wall stamp that will be part of the US 42 widening project. After reviewing the options, all present were in favor of the Old Ashlar Stone option, with color to complement the existing signage.

Mrs. Grossman stated that Chism Irrigation will be out in the upcoming weeks for backflow testing.

Drainage

Mayor Dillon commended Tom Sheffer on his incredible project management for the most recent drainage work. Tom shared that he will work on the pending spots on Cherry Tree Lane once we enter a new budget year, and will also coordinate the drainage culvert cleanout near Charlotte Tyler's property.

Discussion regarding the Hollin project (from 2023) took place. No action is needed at this time.

New Residents.

No update was provided at this time.

Other Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

Accounts Payable

Katie Buhts presented \$6300.0 to Latta Insurance for the city's policy renewal and \$4883.50 to Art Tobe for the spring/summer island maintenance, mulch and planting.

Lee Stanley made a motion to approve this expense. Lynn Grossman seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

Other New Business

Fourth of July Parade

The board discussed plans for the Fourth of July weekend and agreed to make the City's 250th Anniversary celebration a special event. The City will provide donuts on July 4, as well as popsicles and bottled water following the parade. To prepare for the parade, a community decorating party will be held on July 3 at the City entrance. The City will provide pizza, bottled water, and patriotic decorating supplies for participants.

Tom Sheffer and Lee Stanley will handle pizza, donuts, drinks and parade logistics. Katie Buhts will be handling the popsicles, trash cans and decorating supplies.

Tom Sheffer made a motion to approve up to \$1500 to cover the cost of these events. Lee Stanley seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.

This motion passed by unanimous vote

Katie Buhts presented an upcoming training to ensure that the city's website is ADA compliant. Mrs. Buhts will attend an online training course on July 29 and provide information to the board afterwards.

There being no further business, Tom Sheffer made a motion to adjourn. Lynn Grossman seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote

Voting Yea: Bryan Dillon, Lynn Grossman, Lee Stanley, Paulette Bryant, Tom Sheffer

Voting Nay: None.