

## City of Chipley

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**To:** City Council and Mayor Andrews

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**Subject:** Proposal for Basketball Cheerleading Program

On October 30th, I, along with Mrs. Tanner and Mayor Andrews, met with Ms. Jalisa Brown to discuss the potential of introducing a cheerleading program for our basketball season.

During our discussion, I mentioned the potential space limitations in the gymnasium, particularly for the younger age groups, due to the bleachers being pushed in for the games. As an alternative, we considered allowing the younger participants to cheer for the older age groups when the bleachers are pulled out, which would provide adequate space for the cheerleaders.

To gauge community interest, we conducted a poll on Facebook with the question, "If we offered a cheer program for basketball, would you be interested in signing up?" We received 60 responses, with 59 in favor and only 1 against.

After further discussions with Ms. Brown, Mrs. Tanner, and Mayor Andrews, we propose offering cheerleading for the upcoming basketball season on a trial basis. This will allow us to assess how well the program can be accommodated within our current facility.

We believe this approach will provide valuable insight into community interest and logistical feasibility. Thank you for your consideration, and we welcome any further input on this initiative.