

MINUTES

July 12, 2011

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Present and participating were: Mayor Terry Harrell, presiding; Beth Rhoton, City Administrator; Greg O'Neal, City Attorney; Judy Baker, City Recorder; various Department Heads; news media; and the following Council members:

Present: Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Stewart
Councilman Womack

Absent: None

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer by Terrill Farmer and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Spencer.

Under requests, addresses or presentations, the Council heard quarterly reports presented by Roger Caldwell of Winchester Utilities and Carey Wofford, Chairman of the Winchester Municipal Airport Authority Board. During his presentation, Mr. Wofford thanked the governing body for their continued support of the airport. Mr. Caldwell thanked all the departments who assisted the Utility Company when strong straight line winds hit Highway 130 by the City Park and took down eleven poles and power lines. Mr. Caldwell stated that the damage and repair cost approximately \$150,000.

Under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the June 14, 2011 regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #927, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to reorganize all overlay districts under a single section. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #928, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to create new a downtown overlay district including design standards and guidelines, and create a design review commission to review development within the overlay for compliance with these standards. Motion for approval was made by

Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #929, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to replace the zoning atlas with a new zoning map and allow territory to be zoned during annexation. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #930, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to minimize danger to life and property due to flooding, and to establish eligibility for participation in the national flood insurance program. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Last under unfinished business, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #931, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone 2.66 acres located off the Old Winchester Road from R-1, low-density residential district to C-2, highway service district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

First under new business, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #932, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to add day nursery to the C-2 highway service district as a use permitted as a special exception. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #933, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to allow the display of maximum building footprints on development plans of planned developments at the discretion of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #934, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, by updating the front setback exception for all lots, allowing a new exception for the side setback of corner lots, and allowing a new exception for the rear setback of lots with a rear yard abutting a public street. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #935, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to update a section reference which concerns mobile home parks. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved Resolution #824, a resolution authorizing the City of Winchester to participate in the TML Risk Management Pool "Safety Partners" loss control matching grant program. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, City Administrator Rhoton presented the Council with an invoice from our accountants, Clark, Knies and Crenshaw, for the cost

of budget services for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, in the amount of \$6,880.00. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of new business, City Administrator Rhoton asked the Council to ratify an emergency purchase of 12,000 gallons of fuel at \$3.16 per gallon for a total amount of \$37,983.60. The Council had given Mrs. Rhoton permission over the phone to purchase this fuel when she found that prices were going to increase. Mrs. Rhoton further requested permission to be allowed to purchase up to 12,000 gallons of fuel when the cost of fuel increases in order to save money and help stay within the city's budget. Councilman Glasner made a motion to approve ratification of the fuel purchase and to allow Mrs. Rhoton to purchase up to 12,000 gallons of fuel once the city's fuel supply gets down to 6,000 gallons.

Under Council, Administrator and Departmental reports, communications, and updates: Councilman Stewart stated that he would like to talk about longevity at the next work session, and complimented the Police Department for their efforts in recovering some stolen property; Councilman Glasner complimented everyone who worked to help Winchester Utilities on the electrical damage caused by storms on Hwy. 130. He also commended the Bell family for all the hard work they do to put on the July 4th fireworks show each year; Councilman Hart stated he was very impressed with the professionalism of everyone who worked so hard during the damage from the recent storms; City Administrator Rhoton informed the Council that the Secretary of State has ratified our newly amended Charter. She also reminded everyone that ordinances are available for public review at City Hall. Mrs. Rhoton informed the Council that the closing for the purchase of property for the new fire hall will take place on Friday, July 15th; Police Chief Dennis Young stated that he will have some items for capital purchases to be placed on the next agenda.

Under his communications, Mayor Harrell echoed the statements made by others about the great job Winchester Utilities did to get the new poles up and electricity back on for everyone from the recent storm damage on Hwy. 130. He further expressed his appreciation to Public Works employees for the brush cleanup from all of the recent storms. Mayor Harrell stated that he was very proud of our airport and appreciated all the work by Carey Wofford, the entire Airport Authority, and the Airport Manager. Mayor Harrell passed compliments from the STMC hospital administrator to the Police Department for the good job they did with a recent event that took place at the hospital. Mayor Harrell

thanked all employees and departments for their hard work throughout the year and staying within the budget and requested our continued efforts to stay within the present budget. Mayor Harrell stated that Governor Bill Haslam will be in town Thursday, July 14th to make an announcement and present the City with a check for a TDOT grant.

With no further business to be brought before the Council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

City of Winchester's website is:

www.winchester-tn.com

and

International Dogwood Festival website is:

www.winchesterdogwoodfestival.com

Terry Harrell, Mayor
City of Winchester

Attest:

Beth Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Judy Baker

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Date of Meeting: July 12, 2011