

MINUTES

October 13, 2009

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, beginning with a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing was for Ordinance #911.

Present and participating were: Mayor Terry Harrell, presiding; Beth Rhoton, City Administrator; Judy Baker, Secretary; various Department Heads; and the following Council members:

Present: Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Stewart

Absent: Councilman Womack
Greg O'Neal, City Attorney
Bryan Dalton (out due to surgery)

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer by Dan Warmbrod and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Josh Abramson.

Mayor Harrell opened the public hearing for any comments on Ordinance #911, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to add indoor flea market, commercial recreation and entertainment, and exposition hall to the I-2, general industrial district as uses permitted as special exceptions. No one spoke for or against the ordinance and the public hearing was adjourned.

The regular Council meeting began immediately after the close of the public meeting.

Under requests, addresses or presentations, the Council approved a roadblock request on October 24th by Melissa Hill for the Franklin County Blast softball team on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor.

Next, the Council heard quarterly reports, goals and updates from Eric Bradford of Winchester Utilities and Josh Abramson, manager of the Winchester Municipal Airport. Mr. Abramson informed us that the Winchester Municipal Airport received the "Most Improved Airport of The Year" award by the State of Tennessee. City Administrator Beth Rhoton then gave an overview of each of the City's department heads quarterly reports, and stated that the downtown paving should be completed by the 29th of October.

Under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the September 8, 2009 regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the reading of the minutes of the September 1, 2009 special called Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by

Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the third and final reading of Ordinance #911, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to add indoor flea market, commercial recreation and entertainment, and exposition hall to the I-2, general industrial district as uses permitted as special exceptions. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Spencer

Nays: None

In the first order of new business, the Council passed Resolution #809, a Tennessee Department of Transportation enhancement grant to make improvements along Dinah Shore Blvd. from the bridge across from the Old Jail Museum to North College Street. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Stewart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #912, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, by establishing a new zoning district to be known as R-2S, medium density single family residential district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Spencer

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #913, an ordinance amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone the areas bound to the north by 4th Avenue SW, to the east by South Jefferson Street, to the south by 6th avenue SW and to the west by the Winchester City Cemetery (Embrey Addition Subdivision) from R-2 medium-density residential district to medium density single family residential district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Spencer

Nays: None

Next, Parks Director Wayne Nuckolls presented the following

bids received for a zero turn mower for the Recreation Department:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Teddy's Lawnmower	\$6,700.00
Pioneer Motorcycles & ATV's	\$6,900.00
Russell Mason Tractor	\$7,595.00
Tri-Green Equipment LLC	\$8,300.00

Mrs. Rhoton informed the Council that the Purchasing Committee reviewed the bids and had recommended the low bid of \$6,700.00 by Teddy's Lawnmower. Motion to approve the low bid was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, Fire Chief Gary Greeson recommended the Council to renew the three year contracts for his department to supply breathing air to other fire departments. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, Mayor Harrell announced that he had reappointed Lee Brannon, Warren Christiansen, and Dr. Richard Bagby to the Winchester Planning Commission at the July 20, 2009 Planning Commission meeting. Councilman Glasner's term is co-terminus and Donnie Worley's term doesn't expire until July 10, 2011.

In the last order of new business, City Administrator Rhoton presented the new picture & logo "Winchester, Tennessee, Discover More By The Lakeshore" for the City and recommended its approval. She stated that the Winchester Downtown Group had already started using this logo.

Councilman Stewart moved for approval, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion. Mrs. Rhoton suggested that the old logo be replaced with the new city logo as we replace items.

Under his communications, Mayor Harrell congratulated Josh Abramson, manager of the Winchester Municipal Airport, on receiving the "Most Improved Airport of the Year" award from the State, and Inv. Chris Layne for receiving the State's "officer of the Year" award. He further stated that Winchester has many accomplishments of which to be proud.

Under council communications, reports and updates, Councilman Scharber stated the Beer Board met on October 15th and issued a beer permit to the M & J Market (formerly Scot's/Daily's Market). An appointment to fill a vacancy on the Beer Board will be placed on the November agenda. Councilman Spencer reported that the Historical Committee is working on the city's Bicentennial.

Under her updates and reports, City Administrator Rhoton stated that the City is preparing for our Bicentennial, and invited the public to attend a celebration dinner on November 21st at the Franklin County Country Club. Seating is limited with 150 tickets available at \$25.00 each and the ticket is a commemorative postcard of the downtown

area. The Winchester Historical Preservation Committee will give a program on the history of Winchester. The downtown history books, researched and prepared by the Winchester Historical Preservation Committee, are available and on sale at the City Hall. Other happenings taking place are the downtown Fall Festival on October 16th, the merchants Christmas Open House on November 7-8, and "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town" on December 12th.

With no further business to be brought before the Council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Glasner, 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

Date of Meeting: October 13, 2009