

MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
JUNE 25, 2008

The City Council of Winchester met in a special session called by Mayor Harrell on Wednesday, June 25, 2008, beginning with a public hearing at 12:00 noon. The purpose of the special called meeting and public hearing was the following: third and final readings of Budget Ordinances #896, #897 and #898; Resolution #798, appropriating funds for non-profit charitable and non-profit civic organizations for fy ending June 30, 2009; and bids for installation of soccer field irrigation system.

Present and participating were: Mayor Terry Harrell, presiding; Beth Rhoton, City Administrator; Coyle Clark, Accountant; and the following Council members:

Present: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Absent: Councilman Snead
Greg O'Neal, City Attorney

A quorum being present, Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order and the meeting proceeded with the transaction of business. The special called meeting form reads as follows:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To the Council Members of the City of Winchester, Tennessee,
to-wit:

Thomas Elliott
Glen Glasner
William (Bobby) Scharber
Gene Snead
William Womack

Notice is hereby given that a special called meeting of the City Council will be held at the hour of 12:00 noon on Wednesday, the 25th day of June, 2008.

Judy Baker
Secretary

CONSENT TO MEETING

We, the undersigned members of the City Council of Winchester, Tennessee, hereby accept service of the foregoing notice waiving any and all irregularities in such notice, and consent and agree that said Council shall meet at the time and place named therein for the purpose therein named.

Thomas Elliott
Councilman

Glen Glasner
Councilman

William Scharber
Councilman

Gene Snead
Councilman

William Womack
Councilman

Mayor Harrell opened the public hearing for any comments on 3rd & final readings of Budget Ordinances #896, amending Appropriations Ord. #879 for fiscal year ending 6-30-08; Ordinance #897; making appropriations for the administration operation & maintenance & capital expenditures of each department, agency & fund of the City for fiscal year ending 6-30-09; Ordinance #898, assessing & levying taxes within the corporate limits for the 2008 tax year. No one present spoke for or against the ordinances and the public hearing was adjourned.

The special called Council meeting began immediately after the close of the public meeting.

Before the Council discussed and voted on the third reading of the Budget Ordinances, Mayor Harrell stated that County Mayor Richard Stewart had made a proposal to the City to purchase the Franklin County Finance Building. Under our current budget situation, Mayor Harrell recommended not to include purchasing the finance building in the 2009 year budget, but to enter into negotiations and discussions for the purchase of that building once it becomes available next year, and cited reasons for his recommendation. After a discussion, the Council agreed with the Mayor's recommendation.

First under unfinished business, the Council approved the third and final reading of Ordinance #896, an ordinance amending Appropriations Ordinance #879 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the third and final reading of Ordinance #897, an ordinance making appropriations for the administration operation and maintenance and capital expenditures of each department, agency and fund of the City of Winchester for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, with the change of increasing revenue for the Dogwood Festival line item expenditure from \$120,000.00 to \$140,000.00. Mrs. Rhoton stated she would like it referenced that the seed/start-up money be paid back to the City. Motion to approve Ordinance #897, with the Dogwood revenue increase, and includes merit raises being allocated to employees per Department Heads and City

Administrator recommendations, was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the third and final reading of Ordinance #898, an ordinance assessing and levying taxes within the corporate limits of the City for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, at a preliminary rate of seventy-nine cents (\$0.79) per one hundred dollars. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Snead, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

First under new business, the Council approved Resolution #798, a resolution appropriating funds to non-profit charitable and non-profit civic organizations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of business, City Administrator Rhoton presented the following bids received for installing irrigation for the soccer fields at the City Park:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Lawns Unlimited	\$23,027.90
MLS Landscape & Irrigation	\$26,985.92

Councilman Glasner made a motion to accept the low bid by Lawns Unlimited and to attempt to negotiate a better price, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Eva Foster addressed the Council concerning the recently listed Harvey Templeton property, which is approximately two blocks from the square and next to the Confederate Cemetery. She asked the City to consider making an offer on this property for a cultural fine arts center. As this item was not on the special called meeting agenda, she requested this item to be placed on the July 8th agenda.

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

Terry Harrell, Mayor
City of Winchester

Attest:

Beth J. Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Beth Rhoton

Date of Meeting: June 25, 2008