

MINUTES
August 12, 2008

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, August 12, 2008, beginning with a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. The reason for the public hearing was Rezoning Ordinance #899.

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 Elliott
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Snead
Councilman Womack

Absent: Greg O'Neal, City Attorney
Wayne Nuckolls, Parks & Recreation Director
Dennis Young, Police Chief
Faye Morrow, Administrative Director

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer, and Councilman Womack led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Harrell opened the public hearing for any comments on Ordinance #899, rezoning the remainder of the Anderton farm property on Lynchburg Road (Twin Creeks Village) belonging to Larry Phillips of Blue Sky Development from R-1, low-density residential district to R-3A, high-density residential alternative district. No one spoke for or against the ordinance and the public hearing was adjourned.

The regular Council meeting began immediately upon the close of the public hearing.

Under requests, addresses or presentations, the Council approved a road block request on August 23rd for the Franklin County Rebelettes softball team on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor.

Next, the Council approved a request by Chief Gary Greeson for the Winchester Fire Department to hold a road block on August 17th with all proceeds going for the Muscular Dystrophy Association on a motion by Councilman Snead, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, Sean Crabtree, chairman of the Winchester Downtown, informed the Council that the original grant administration agreement between the city and Winchester Downtown Group has been extended to June 30, 2023, which means more tax dollars for the downtown area. He requested the Council to extend the grant administration agreement to June 30, 2023, rather than having it expire in the terminology which says nine years from date of commencement. Councilman Snead moved for approval, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion. Mr. Crabtree stated that the WDG has hired an urban planning

and engineering firm to create a vision for the downtown revitalization project to revitalize, rejuvenate and remodel the downtown area. This firm is currently holding meetings this week and he stated how important it was for the public to attend and to give their input on what they would like to see happen to the City of Winchester.

Next, Keith Henshaw, president of the Baseball Backers Association, requested permission to make a case opening in an interior wall between the old gift shop and the office inside the Gamble Sports Stadium to create 250 more square feet of usable space. Dad Sidley, a licensed contractor, reported the wall was not a structured load-bearing wall. The men were informed that obtaining building permits, electrical and any other necessary inspections would be required. Councilman Scharber made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the July 8, 2008, regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Womack and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the third and final reading of Ordinance #899, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone the remainder of the Anderton farm property on Lynchburg Road (called Twin Creeks Village) belonging to Larry Phillips of Blue Sky Development from R-1, low-density residential district to R-3A, high-density residential alternative district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Snead
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the only bid received from Sain Construction Company in the amount of \$1,288,464.17 for the Tennessee Department of Transportation Enhancement Program Phase I, contingent on written approval from TDOT. City Administrator Rhoton stated that money was in the budget for this and also said that a request had been made to TDOT to allow Phase II money to be used on Phase I. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Snead, and all voted in favor.

First under new business, Mayor Harrell appointed David Stewart to the Sanders Estate Board. David will replace his grandfather, Fricks Stewart, who died recently.

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #900, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone the Hawkersmith property on Lynchburg Road from R-2, medium-density residential district to C-2, highway service district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Snead
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, Public Works Director Steve Goodwin presented the following bids received for a Skid-Steer Loader with three attachments (hydraulic jack hammer, utility forks, and grapple bucket) for the Public Works Department:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Tri-Green Equipment Co.	\$29,100.00
Russell Mason Tractor	\$34,545.00

Motion to approve the low bid OF \$29,100.00 by Tri-Green Equipment Company was made by Councilman Snead, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of business and as Parks Director Wayne Nuckolls was absent, City Administrator Rhoton presented the following bids received for a Zero-Turn Mover for the Recreation Department:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Teddy's Lawnmower	\$6,400.00 Toro 27 hp (sold out)
" "	\$7,079.20 Scag Wildcat 30hp
Russell Mason Tractor	\$7,495.00 Hustler 25hp

Motion to approve the low bid from Teddy's Lawnmower Sales and Service was made by Councilman Elliott, seconded by Councilman Snead, and all voted in favor of said motion. **Note:** Mr. Nuckolls' wife was in the hospital and he was not at this meeting to notify the Council that the 27 horsepower Toro had been sold and Teddy's didn't have another one. The next lowest bid for an available mower was from Teddy's Lawnmower Sales and Service and was purchased in the amount of \$7,079.20.

Under mayoral communications, Mayor Harrell reminded everyone that their attendance and input was needed at the downtown revitalization project meetings being held this week.

Under council, department, and committee updates, Councilman Womack reported on his Public Safety Committee meeting and stated that he will bring their recommendation concerning a raise in pay for the volunteer firemen to the next meeting.

Audience member James Trimble thanked the City Administrator for getting the Old Cowan Road re-striped and complimented the new paving of Hundred Oaks Street.

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

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www.winchester-tn.com

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International Dogwood Festival website is:

www.winchesterdogwoodfestival.com

Terry Harrell, Mayor
City of Winchester

Attest:

Beth J. Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Judy Baker

Date of Meeting: August 12, 2008