

MINUTES

September 9, 2008

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 9, 2008, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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
Steve Goodwin, Public Works Director
Bryan Dalton, Swimplex Director

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

First under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the July 8, 2008, regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved with one spelling correction on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #900, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone six acres of 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 Womack, seconded by Councilman Snead, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

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

Nays: None

First under new business, the Council approved the ratification of Private Chapter 71, House Bill #3803. This ratification is for Resolution #790 which changed the City Charter by amending Article I, Section 1.02(g) to read: "Elector" shall mean a qualified voter living within the city, or a qualified voter who does not live within the City of Winchester, but owns real property within the city. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Womack, and the motion passed by a vote of four (4) ayes to one (1) nay cast by Councilman Scharber.

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #901, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to annex City/Winchester Airport Authority properties (including parcels 26.01, 27.07, 7.07, 8.02, 7.06, 25, and 26.03). The annexed properties are all located in areas around the airport. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Scharber,

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 first reading of Ordinance #902, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone 14.78 acres of the Petersham property located at the intersection of Cowan Hwy. 64/41A and Arnold Farm Road from R-1 to C-2. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Scharber, 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 Resolution #799, accepting an offer of additional right-of-way dedication of ten feet along the western boundary of Boiling Fork Lane from W. W. Baxter. Motion to accept was made by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved to surplus various equipment from the Public Works, Police and Recreation Departments and to sell those items on the internet through govdeals.com. on a motion by Councilman Elliott, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of business, Councilman Womack recommended a pay raise of \$10.00 for the volunteer firemen for the first hour they work and \$8.00 for each additional hour. After a discussion, it was decided to table this item until the October council meeting to give City Administrator Rhoton and Councilman Scharber time to review the Fire Department budget and also to discuss this issue with the Public Safety Committee.

The following communications, reports and updates were given: Councilman Scharber stated that the Winchester Beer Board met on August 28th and beer permits were approved for BJ's Roadhouse and Murphy Express; Councilman Scharber would like parking on the square to be made illegal for trucks that have a long wheel base, as it is difficult for vehicles to get around them; Councilman Snead stated that the Tourism Committee is designing a rack card to promote the City of Winchester; the Dogwood Festival website will be up soon; the Dogwood 5K Run will take place on November 15th; the County Fair is going on this week and

all Dogwood Festival merchandise can be purchased at the city's booth; compliments were given on the Dogwood Festival newsletter; City Administrator Rhoton reported the city is waiting on approval from TDOT before construction can begin on the downtown project; she also stated that the date and location of the "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town" event will have to be decided later this year, depending on the downtown construction.

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.

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 J. Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Judy Baker

Date of Meeting: September 9, 2008