

## MINUTES

October 14, 2008

(**Note:** Due to Fall Break students were out of school and EGTV did not film this Council meeting).

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 14, 2008, beginning with a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. The reason for the public hearing is the third and final reading of Rezoning Ordinance #900.

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

Present: Councilman Glasner  
Councilman Elliott  
Councilman Scharber  
Councilman Womack

Absent: Councilman Snead

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer by Mr. Winston Tipps and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Austin Ray, a boy scout working on his merit badge. Mayor Harrell welcomed members of the audience and recognized Judy Taylor and the young people with her from the Franklin County Leadership program.

Mayor Harrell opened the public hearing for any comments on Ordinance #900, rezoning six acres of the Hawkersmith property on Lynchburg Road from R-2, medium-density residential district to C-2, highway service 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 heard quarterly reports, goals and updates from Winston Tipps, for Winchester Utilities, Joshua Abramson, manager of Winchester Municipal Airport, and from each of the City's department heads.

First under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the September 9, 2008, regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the reading of the minutes of the September 17, 2008, special called Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the third and final 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 Glasner, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Elliott  
Councilman Glasner  
Councilman Scharber  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the second 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 Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the second 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 Womack

Nays: None

First under new business, the Council approved the 2007 audit by Clark and Knies accountants on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, City Administrator Rhoton and Codes Inspector Pat Sanders presented the following bids received for a truck for the Codes Department:

<u>Company:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Kennith Wessner Ford	\$16,590 F-150 super cab
	\$18,506 F-150 super crew
	\$19,363 Explorer
Russell Barnett Dodge	\$18,500 Dodge 1500
Mike Thompson Ford	\$18,763 F-150 Crew cab

After a discussion during which a couple of motions were made and then withdrawn, Councilman Womack made a motion to allow Mr. Sanders to find a vehicle through government auctions and, if he doesn't, then re-bid for a vehicle. Councilman Glasner seconded this motion and the motion

tied with two ayes and two nays. Mayor Harrell then called for a roll call vote which follows:

Aye: Councilman Glasner  
Councilman Womack  
Mayor Harrell

Nay: Councilman Elliott  
Councilman Scharber

(When the roll call vote tied, Mayor Harrell cast the tie breaking vote by voting "aye" and the motion then passed by a vote of three to two).

Next, City Administrator Rhoton and Police Chief Young opened the only bid envelope received for a police pursuit vehicle submitted by Russell Barnett Dodge-Chrysler-Jeep on the following two vehicles:

<u>Make:</u>	<u>Bid:</u>
Dodge Charger RWD V-6	\$21,934.00
Dodge Charger Hemi	\$23,000.00

Motion to approve the low bid for the V-6 Dodge Charger was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Elliott, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved Resolution #801, a resolution adopting an identity theft policy for the City of Winchester (policy attached) as required by the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003, an amendment to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Elliott, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of business, the Council approved the new Master Patrolman Plan for the Police Department as presented by Police Chief Dennis Young and is to be implemented January 1, 2008. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Elliott, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Under mayoral communications, Mayor Harrell stated that the city is in good economic condition, and cited various improvements that have recently been made. He thanked everyone for helping to stay within the budget, and for positive news media, and recommended that we be frugal with the budget in order to keep economically sound.

The following communications, reports and updates were given: Councilman Elliott's Recreation Committee met and will recommend the city purchase 25 acres of Hawkersmith property at the November Council meeting, and job descriptions for Winchester Utilities are being updated; Councilman Glasner's Community Development Committee is re-writing a sidewalk ordinance; Councilman Scharber received permission by Mayor Harrell to conduct a study on feasibility of buying the former Finance Building property for the Police Department and place on the November agenda, Councilman Glasner recommended he also study another site as well; City Administrator Rhoton reported the city has received

approval from TDOT to begin on the downtown project, the Dogwood 5K Run will take place on November 15<sup>th</sup>, and the "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town" event will be December 13<sup>th</sup>.

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](http://www.winchester-tn.com)

and

International Dogwood Festival website is:

[www.winchesterdogwoodfestival.com](http://www.winchesterdogwoodfestival.com)

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Terry Harrell, Mayor  
City of Winchester

Attest:

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Beth J. Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Judy Baker

Date of Meeting: October 14, 2008