

MINUTES

November 14, 2006

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, November 14, 2006, beginning with a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is a Community Development Block Grant.

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

Present: Councilman Franklin
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Absent: Councilman Snead

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

Mayor Harrell opened the public hearing for any comments on the Community Development Block Grant application. Special Projects Coordinator Yvonne Stewart passed around a sign-in sheet for the audience which will be placed with the grant applications. Mrs. Stewart explained the process for the Community Development Block Grant and asked if anyone had any questions, comments or suggestions that could be used for applying for this grant. No one spoke for or against this grant and the public hearing was adjourned.

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

Under requests, addresses or presentations, Historic

Committee Chairman Joy Gallagher stated the committee's research of businesses on the square was finished and they will begin writing the descriptive. Once the project is completed, Mrs. Gallagher stated that the committee would like to publish a booklet on the businesses as they did with the booklet on the historic homes. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council heard a quarterly report from Administrative Director Faye Morrow.

Next, the Council approved a roadblock request for the American Legion Post 44 Big Brothers paper sale on December 10th on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor.

Next, Chamber of Commerce Director Judy Taylor informed the Council that the Franklin County Retail Development Committee had sponsor commitments in the amount of \$12,400.00. The total of \$18,500.00 is needed to contract with Braxton Identifying Customers, a company which identifies and recruits retailers for their clients. (This plan was originally presented to the Council at the August 8th meeting and the City approved a \$1,000.00 donation at that time). Councilman Glasner made a motion to donate an additional \$2,000.00, for a total donation of \$3,000.00, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

First under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the October 10th and 23rd and 31st council meetings was dispensed and approved as written on a motion by Councilman Franklin, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor.

Next, the Council approved the second reading of Ordinance #

867, an ordinance annexing, at the request of the Prince Brothers, 32 acres located along Cherokee Lane at Old Estill Springs Road. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Franklin, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Franklin
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

First under new business, the Council approved the recommendation of the Winchester Planning Commission to abandon the right-of-way of Third Avenue N.E. off North Porter Street. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Glasner, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved a request by City Administrator Photon to allow her to negotiate contracts and write checks for the International Dogwood Festival expenses. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Franklin, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved to renew the three year contracts to supply breathing air to fire departments on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor.

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance # 868, zoning 107 acres of the J-Win LLC (Ikard-Simpson) property located on Georgia Crossing Road and Halfmoon Road as R-2, medium-density residential district (for Annexation Ordinance #862). Motion to approve was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Franklin
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber

Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the last order of business, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #869, an ordinance rezoning 3 acres of the Templeton property located off Hospital Road from M-1, medical-professional office district to R-1, low-density residential district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Glasner, seconded by Councilman Scharber, and all voted in favor by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Franklin
Councilman Glasner
Councilman Scharber
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Under his communications, Mayor Harrell stated that the Master Plan was still being reworked and hoped to be finished soon.

Under department head and other communications, Police Chief Dennis Young commended Investigator Nick Watson on the recent town meeting he conducted on how to tell if your child is on drugs. Fire Chief Cofer thanked the Council for their support in obtaining necessary fire equipment and a new fire truck. City Administrator Rhoton reminded everyone that the City's "Winter Wonderland" would be on Friday, November 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Herbert (Hub) Clark will be retiring this week after twenty years of service with Public Works.

With no further business to be brought before the Council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Scharber, seconded by Councilman Womack, 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: November 14, 2006