

MINUTES

May 13, 2014

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Present and participating were: Mayor Terry Harrell, presiding; Beth Rhoton, City Administrator; Judy Baker, City Recorder; various Department Heads; news media; and the following Council members:

Present: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Absent: Greg O'Neal, City Attorney

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order, with a prayer by Councilman Snead, and Police Chief Dennis Young led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under requests, addresses or presentations, the Council heard the quarterly financial report presented by Finance Director Martha Carol Luttrell for period ending March 31, 2014. Motion to approve the financial report was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Bell, and all voted in favor.

Next, Finance Director Martha Carol Luttrell requested approval to use monies allocated for Adventure Mountain for some necessary repairs. She stated that approval is required as these repairs to Adventure Mountain will be done in-house instead of being offered for bid and this item is considered a capital outlay project. Councilman Hart moved for approval seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the only order of unfinished business, the reading of the minutes from the April 8, 2014 regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Womack, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the first order of new business, the Council approved the first proposal reading of Ordinance #966, amending Appropriations Ordinance #961, for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Snead, seconded by Councilman Hart, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first proposal reading of Ordinance #967, 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 fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Bell, seconded by Councilman Hart, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first proposal reading of Ordinance #968, an ordinance assessing and levying taxes within the corporate limits of the City of Winchester for the tax year 2014. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Snead, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #969, amending Zoning Ordinance #506, to add terminology including assisted living facilities within the definition of convalescent, rest or nursing homes and to make provision to include such facilities as a use permitted as a special exception to the C-2 highway service district zoning classification. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Snead, seconded by Councilman Womack, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the next order of business, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #970, amending Zoning Ordinance #506, to rezone a parcel of property on Dinah Shore Boulevard to C-4, multi-residential-commercial district from C-2, highway service district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Hart, and the motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, City Administrator Rhoton presented the following bid for a 24x32 Storage Building for the Winchester Swimplex:

Country Barn Construction            \$14,900.00

Mrs. Rhoton stated that Swimplex Manager Bryan Dalton had reviewed the only bid received which met the specifications set by the city and recommended the bid be accepted. After looking at the specifications, Councilman Womack was concerned that the 2x6 floor joists wouldn't be strong enough and requested the size of the floor joists be changed to 2x8. Councilman Spencer then moved to approve the only bid submitted by Tim Yannayon of Country Barns Construction, subject to Construction Barn changing the floor joists size from 2x6 to 2x8 size at no additional cost. This motion was seconded by Councilman Snead, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, Police Chief Dennis Young requested permission to purchase a vehicle for the Police Department through the GAS Auction to be paid with monies budgeted in their Drug Fund. Chief Young explained that the vehicle previously driven by Captain Randy Wilkinson will go back in the patrol pool and the vehicle being purchased will be driven by Captain Ritchie Lewis, who replaced Randy Wilkinson when he left to take a full-time position with the National Guard. In addition to the request of purchasing a vehicle through the state auction if a suitable vehicle is found, he also requested to surplus one older police vehicle which will be determined at a later date. Motion for approval to purchase a vehicle through a state auction with monies from the Drug Fund and to also surplus a police vehicle at a later date was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the last order of new business, Police Chief Young stated that he had reviewed the annual certificate of compliance letters and recommended approval for Tim and Brenda Long of T. J.'s Liquor & Wine. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor.

Under City Administrator communication, Mrs. Rhoton was happy to report that the Dogwood Festival was a successful event this year with a huge crowd drawn by the Charlie Daniels Band and good weather. She informed the Council that the City received one application for the Dry Creek Marina Project but will not have their financial reports until tomorrow. She suggested that Mayor Harrell schedule a work session for the Council to have time to review the financial reports of the marina applicants. She said that a special called hearing may need to be scheduled for the Marina Project and any other business that may need to be placed on the special called meeting agenda.

Under Council and Department Head communications, updates and reports: all Council members thanked the sponsors, committees, departments, volunteers, organizations, City and Winchester Utility employees, and everyone who helped make the Dogwood Festival a success. Councilman Snead also thanked Vicki Acklen for agreeing to chair the event's next festival; Councilman Spencer remarked that he had heard only great things about this year's event and how much people enjoyed the weekend; Councilman Womack reminded everyone to spend their tax dollars at home.

Under Mayoral communications, Mayor Harrell stated that the Dogwood Festival couldn't continue without the sponsors who helped fund this free event as well as everyone who volunteered and worked tirelessly to make this International Dogwood Festival our best one yet. Mayor Harrell scheduled a work session for the Dry Creek Marina Project for Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. to be held in the Annex, and then scheduled a special called meeting of the Winchester City Council for Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m.

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

City of Winchester's website is:  
[www.winchester-tn.com](http://www.winchester-tn.com)

and the

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 Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken & typed by: Judy Baker

Date of Meeting: May 13, 2014