

MINUTES

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

August 21, 2014

The Winchester City Council met in a special called session on Thursday, August 21, 2014, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of the special called meeting was the agreements for relocations of United Telephone Utilities (that had been left off of the July 28<sup>th</sup> special called regular Council due to not having this information at that time); Resolution #851 declaring a vacancy on the City Council; and Resolution #852, filling the vacancy on the City Council.

A quorum being present, Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order and the meeting proceeded with the transaction of business. The special called meeting form reads as follows:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To the Council Members of the City of Winchester, Tennessee,  
to-wit:

Gene Snead, Jr.  
Wayne Hart  
Bruce Spencer  
William Womack

Notice is hereby given that a special called meeting of the City Council will be held at the hour of 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, the 21st day of August, 2014.

Judy Baker  
Secretary

CONSENT TO MEETING

We, the undersigned members of the City Council of Winchester, Tennessee, hereby accept service of the foregoing notice waiving any and all irregularities in such notice, and consent and agree that said Council shall meet at the time and place named therein for the purpose therein named.

Gene Snead, Jr., Councilman

Wayne Hart, Councilman

William Womack, Councilman

Bruce Spencer, Councilman

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Present and participating were: Mayor Terry Harrell, presiding; Beth Rhoton, City Administrator; various Department Heads; News Media; and the following Council members:

Present: Councilman Hart  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Absent: Councilman Snead (due to work)  
Greg O'Neal, City Attorney

In the only order of unfinished business, City

Administrator Beth Rhoton explained that the agreement for relocation of Utilities for United Telephone was not on the special called meeting of July 28, 2014 with the other utility agreements due to not having this information for that meeting. Relocating this utility was part of the TDOT Enhancement Project Grant (Pin #113907) at Porter Street and Dinah Shore Boulevard to complete this project. The original estimated cost for moving the United Telephone utilities in August 2013 was \$5,516.79 and this cost remained the same. Mrs. Rhoton requested approval for payment of \$5,516.79 for relocating this utility that is required to complete the grant project and is reimbursable by TDOT. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

First under new business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton presented Resolution #851, a resolution declaring a vacancy on the Winchester City Council as a result of the resignation of Councilman Jack Bell and in keeping with the Winchester City Charter, Article II, Section 2.09(a). Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Last under new business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton presented Resolution #852, a resolution appointing Suzanne McDowell to fill the unexpired council term of Jack Bell who resigned on August 13, 2014. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Womack and all voted in favor of said motion.

Mayor Harrell thanked Mrs. McDowell for her willingness to complete Mr. Bell's unexpired term of office and welcomed her back to the City Council. Mrs. McDowell had previously served as a Councilwoman for the City of Winchester for three terms of office. She was first elected in 1991, re-elected in 1995, and again in 1999. More recently, Mrs. McDowell was appointed on May 15, 2013, to fill the unexpired Council term of Cheyne Stewart who had resigned. Mayor Harrell said it's always been a pleasure to work with Mrs. McDowell and she brings a lot of knowledge to the council as well as fresh ideas. Mrs. McDowell stated that she was honored and happy to be appointed to complete Mr. Bell's term of office.

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

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

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 by: City Administrator Rhoton  
Minutes typed by: Judy Baker

Date of Meeting: August 21, 2014