

MINUTES

April 10, 2012

The Winchester City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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

Present: Councilman Bell
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Stewart
Councilman Womack

Absent: None

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with the prayer led by Roger Caldwell and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Stewart.

Under requests, addresses or presentations, the Council heard quarterly reports presented by Winchester Utilities Manager Roger Caldwell and Airport Manager Zackary Colescott.

Under unfinished business, the reading of the minutes of the March 13, 2012 regular Council meeting was dispensed and approved on a motion by Councilman Bell, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor of said motion.

In the first order of new business, City Administrator Rhoton presented the only bid received for a used John Deere Field Rake from Universal Equipment in the amount of \$4,800.00 and \$628.92 for shipping, making the total amount due in the amount of \$5,428.92. Mrs. Rhoton stated that this equipment purchase is budgeted. Motion to approve the purchase of the field rake was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Hart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved Resolution #831, a resolution to submit an application for funds for a Safe Routes to School Program through the Tennessee Department of Transportation in the amount of \$250,146.25. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved Resolution #832, a resolution to apply for a Clean Tennessee Energy Program grant for a HVAC rooftop unit for the Police Department, and for two Nissan Leaf SL vehicles. One vehicle will be used in the Police Department and the other vehicle will be used in the Administrative Department. Total cost of the grant application is \$101,200.00 with a 20% city match of \$20, 240.00. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman

Hart, and all voted in favor of said motion.

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #942, amending Zoning Ord. #506, to rezone a parcel of the Shirley Heirs subdivision property located on Hospital Road from R-1, low-density residential district to M-1, medical-professional office district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Womack, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Bell
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #943, amending Zoning Ord. #506 to rezone the Traci Helton property located at the intersection of South Jefferson Street and Fifth Avenue, S.E. from R-2, medium-density residential district to C-2, highway service district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Hart, seconded by Councilman Spencer, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Bell
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the last order of new business, the Council approved the first reading of Ordinance #944, amending Zoning Ord. #506 to rezone the Marlin Steele property located at the intersection of Fourth Avenue, S.W. and Gin Street from R-2, medium-density residential district to I-1, restrictive industrial district. Motion for approval was made by Councilman Spencer, seconded by Councilman Stewart, and all voted in favor by the following roll call:

Ayes: Councilman Stewart
Councilman Bell
Councilman Hart
Councilman Spencer
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Mayor Harrell informed the Council that audience member Lynn Jansky had placed a packet on their desk just before the meeting began that concerns Ordinance #94, and they would need to take the packet home to review it.

Under Mayoral communications, Mayor Harrell stated that the High-On-The-Hog BBQ event begins this weekend.

Under City Administrator communications, Mrs. Rhoton stated "Operation Never Forget", a dedication in memory of Sgt. David Alexander Stephens, will be held April 14, 2012.

Under Council and Departmental reports, communications, and updates: Councilman Bell gave an "atta boy" and a thank you to Councilman Cheyne Stewart for tearing down the condemned house on 1st Avenue known as the Moore-Henderson house at no cost to the city; Police Chief Dennis Young reminded everyone that the International Dogwood Festival will be held May 4-7, 2012.

Mayor Harrell recognized audience member Lynn Jansky and allowed her to speak for a couple of minutes concerning Rezoning Ordinance #944. Mayor Harrell advised her that she would be allowed to speak against this ordinance at the public hearing for the third reading of the ordinance.

With no further business to be brought before the Council, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Hart, 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 Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by: Judy Baker

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