

## MINUTES

January 12, 2021

The Winchester City Council met electronically in regular session Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

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

Present: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order beginning with a Public Hearing for Ordinance #1031, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on Sharp Springs Road to R3A, Alternate High Density Residential District from the current classification of R1, Low Density Residential District. No one spoke for against this ordinance.

Next, a Public Hearing was held for Ordinance #1032, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on Second Avenue NW to C1, Central Business Commercial District from the current classification of R-2, Medium Density Residential District. No one spoke for or against this ordinance.

Next, a Public Hearing was held for Ordinance #1033, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to R3A, Alternative High Density Residential District from the current classification of R2, Medium Density Residential District. Property Owner Jeremy Martin was present and asked for everyone's support on approving the rezoning.

Mayor Harrell closed the Public Hearing and began the Council Meeting with Quarterly Reports from Winchester Utility Manager Roger Caldwell. All Departmental Reports are on file at Winchester City Hall. Mr. Caldwell announced his upcoming retirement. The Mayor and Council said that it had been a pleasure working with him and they wished him the best with the next chapter of his life.

In the first order of unfinished business, Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the December 8, 2020 Council Minutes. Councilman Spencer seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
 Councilman Johnson  
 Councilwoman Cagley  
 Councilman Spencer  
 Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, Councilman Spencer made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #1031, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on Sharp Springs Road to R3A, Alternate High Density Residential District from the current classification of R1, Low Density Residential District. Councilman Womack seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
 Councilman Johnson  
 Councilman Spencer  
 Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Councilman Cagley was not present for this vote.

Next, Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #1032, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on Second Avenue NW to C1, Central Business Commercial District from the current classification of R-2, Medium Density Residential District. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
 Councilman Johnson  
 Councilwoman Cagley  
 Councilman Womack

Abstained: Councilman Spencer

Nays: None

Next, Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #1033, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506 known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to rezone property on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE to R3A, Alternative High Density Residential District from the current classification of R2, Medium Density Residential District. Councilman Womack seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
 Councilman Johnson  
 Councilwoman Cagley  
 Councilman Spencer  
 Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the first order of new business, Public Works Director Stuart Knapper asked permission to purchase a Dump Truck in the amount of \$83,561.00. Dick Baumunk Premier Truck Group of Chattanooga has the state contract and the money is in the budget. Councilman Snead made a motion to approve the purchase of the dump truck, Councilman Spencer seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilwoman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, Recreation Director Darrell Jolley mentioned that one bid was received to operate two concession stands at Winchester City Park from Vicky Fleming in the amount of \$1,501.00. Councilman Snead made a motion to approve the bid, Councilman Spencer seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilwoman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the next order of business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton read Resolution #891, a resolution establishing the State Acquisition of Martin Methodist College, a fourth undergraduate campus of the University of Tennessee System. Councilman Spencer made a motion to approve Resolution #891, Councilman Womack seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilwoman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the last order of new business, Police Chief Ritchie Lewis asked permission to surplus a 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve surplus the vehicle, Councilman Spencer seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilwoman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None


Under Communications, Councilman Womack asked everyone to trade at home. City Administrator Beth Rhoton wanted the Council to be aware that the Final Audit Report with no findings was included on the Boardbook App. Also included on the app was the Annual Building/Codes report. The Building/Codes department had a very busy year with a substantial increase in building permits. Mayor Harrell asked Mrs. Rhoton for a COVID-19 update. She mentioned that several employees have been out sick with the virus or in quarantine. We continue to try to keep employees separated and the office staff is currently split into groups.

With no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Snead made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting, Councilman Womack seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilman Snead  
Councilman Johnson  
Councilwoman Cagley  
Councilman Spencer  
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

By:

  
Terry Harrell, Mayor

Attest:

  
Beth Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by Teena Waggoner, City Recorder  
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