

MINUTES

May 11, 2021

The Winchester City Council met in regular session Tuesday, May 11, 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 Gene Snead
Councilman LZ Johnson
Councilman Steve Cagley
Councilman Bruce Spencer
Councilman William Womack

Absent: None

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer by Fire Chief Gary Greeson and the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Councilman Gene Snead.

The meeting was supposed to begin with a presentation from Mr. Terrance Martin to discuss the upcoming Juneteenth Celebration. Mr. Martin was not present at the meeting.

Under Unfinished Business, Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the April 13, 2021 Council Minutes. Councilman Cagley seconded the motion and the motion passed with all members voting favorably.

In the first order of new business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton and Police Chief Ritchie Lewis discussed raising the Traffic Citation Fines from the range of \$82.75-\$94.75 to \$120.00-\$150.00 depending on the severity of the offense. Chief Lewis mentioned that these fees are in line with other neighboring municipalities. Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the updated citation fee schedule beginning June 1, 2021, Councilman Cagley seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

Next, Recreation Director Darrell Jolley mentioned that he obtained three bids for the purchase of ADA Bleachers for the Winchester City Park. The low bid was from BSN Sports for \$8,500.00. Councilman Cagley made a motion to approve the low bid from BSN Sports, Councilman Snead seconded the motion and the motion passed.

In the next order of business, Councilman Snead made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #1034, an ordinance of the City of Winchester, Tennessee amending Appropriations Ordinance #1024 for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

In the next order of business, Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #1035, an ordinance of the City of Winchester, Tennessee adopting the Annual Budget and Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. Councilman Snead seconded the motion and the ordinance passed with the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Next, Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #1036, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506, known as the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, TN to rezone property on Lynchburg Road to C-2, Highway Service Commercial District from the current Zoning of R3-A, High Density Residential Alternative District. Councilman Cagley seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

In the last order of business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton recommended purchasing property on Second Avenue SE (Sisk Cleaners) in the amount of \$50,000.00 contingent on satisfactory results of an Environmental Phase I and

possibly a Phase II. Currently waiting on a cost estimate for the Environmental study. Councilman Spencer made a motion to purchase the property with the contingency, Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

Under Communications, Councilman Snead mentioned that Drafts and Watercrafts at Twin Creeks Marina is in full swing and invited everyone to come visit. Councilman Johnson said he was going to visit Councilman Snead soon. Mayor Harrell said he was glad to have Councilman Spencer back and doing well. The Mayor also introduced newly hired Winchester Utility Manager George Powell to those that were not present at the meeting last month and Grant Gipson, Executive Director of the Winchester Downtown Program. Councilman Womack asked everyone to trade at home. City Administrator Beth Rhoton mentioned that the Winchester Downtown Wriggle is this weekend and the Steak Cookoff and Carnival are this weekend at the Winchester City Park.

With no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Cagley made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting, Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

By:


Terry Harrell, Mayor

Attest:


Beth Rhoton, City Administrator

Minutes taken by Teena Waggoner, City Recorder
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