

MINUTES

September 13, 2022

The Winchester City Council met in regular session Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

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

Present: Councilwoman Barbara Lucas
Councilman Michael Sisk
Councilman Steve Cagley
Councilwoman Lydia Curtis Johnson
Councilman William Womack

Absent: None

Mayor Harrell called the meeting to order with a prayer by Councilman Cagley and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Womack.

The meeting began with a Public Hearing for Resolution #897, a resolution to annex certain territory, upon written consent of the owners and to incorporate the same within the boundaries of the City of Winchester, Tennessee, consisting of approximately 75 acres located between Bible Crossing & Riva Lake Roads. The following citizens spoke: (1) Jeremy Nelson, 2121 Bible Crossing Road asked for additional information on the plans for the land. Building & Codes Director Pat Sanders explained the type of structures that could be built in the R3A zoning, but said the developers have not submitted a solid plan for the development. (2) Bill Denby, owner of Riva Lake Mobile Home Park, asked if the new zoning would affect his property. Building & Codes Director Pat Sanders said that this zoning will not affect his property.

Next, there was a Public Hearing for Ordinance #1052, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506, the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to initially zone the property annexed by Resolution #897 to R3A, High Density Residential District. No one spoke for or against this ordinance.

The Public Hearing was closed, and the Regular Meeting started with a request from the Winchester Downtown Program Director Liz Ausdenmoore. She asked permission to close North College Street and Second Avenue NW from North Porter to North Jefferson for an Isaiah House Event on October 1, 2022.

She also asked permission to close the nine-block downtown area for the Boo Bash on Saturday, October 29, 2022 from approximately 12:00 noon until 7:00 pm. She expects about 65 vendors, approximately 2,000 citizens will be Trick or Treating, food trucks set up on the square, etc. Councilwoman Lucas made a motion to approve the road closures, Councilwoman Johnson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

In the first order of unfinished business, Councilman Cagley made a motion to approve the August 9, 2022 City Council Minutes. Councilman Womack seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of said motion.

Next, Councilman Cagley made a motion to approve the second reading of Resolution #897, a resolution to annex certain territory, upon written consent of the owners and to incorporate the same within the boundaries of the City of Winchester, Tennessee, consisting of approximately 75 acres located between Bible Crossing and Riva Lake Roads. Councilman Sisk seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Lucas
Councilman Sisk
Councilman Cagley
Councilwoman Johnson
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #1052, an ordinance amending Ordinance #506, the Zoning Ordinance of Winchester, Tennessee to initially zone the property annexed by Resolution #897 to R3A, High Density Residential District. Councilman Sisk seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Lucas
Councilman Sisk
Councilman Cagley
Councilwoman Johnson
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

In the first item of new business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton read the First Reading of Ordinance #1053, an ordinance to increase Winchester Regional Planning Commission Fee Schedule. Councilman Sisk made a motion to approve

the first reading, Councilwoman Lucas seconded the motion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilwoman Lucas
Councilman Sisk
Councilman Cagley
Councilwoman Johnson
Councilman Womack

Nays: None

Next, approval to purchase a LED Digital Sign for the Winchester City Park was tabled until next month.

In the next order of business, City Administrator asked approval for the Veterans to have a Veterans Day Parade on November 13, 2022 beginning at the old Food Lion parking lot and continuing down South College Street onto the Downtown Square and dismount at Moore-Cortner Funeral Home. The west side of the Square will be closed for a concert and TDOT has approved the road closure for the parade. Councilman Womack made a motion to approve the Veterans Day Parade, Councilwoman Johnson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

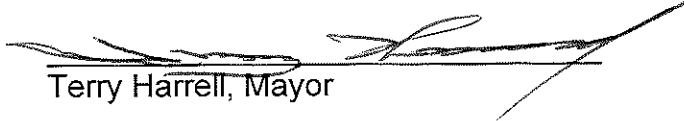
Next, City Administrator Beth Rhoton said that one bid was received to demolish the old Sisk Cleaners building located at 100 Second Avenue SE from DBL Excavating, LLC for \$25,000.00. Councilman Cagley made a motion to approve the demolition bid, Councilman Sisk seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

In the last order of new business, City Administrator Beth Rhoton read Resolution #899, a resolution authorizing the City of Winchester, Tennessee to apply for a Downtown Improvement Grant. City Administrator Rhoton explained that the City of Winchester is required to be the applicant for the grant, however Winchester Downtown Program Corporation will pay the matching funds. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve the resolution, Councilwoman Lucas seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

Under communications, Councilwoman Lucas encouraged everyone to volunteer for Meals on Wheels. Councilman Womack asked everyone to trade at home.

With no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Cagley made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting, Councilman Womack 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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