



MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 11, 2009, 6:30 PM

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Call to Order: The August 11, 2009 Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor William C. Stewart, Jr. at 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mayor William C. Stewart, Jr., Keith Turman, Mayor Pro-Tem Jason Phillips, Kenneth Roach, Wayne Braswell, Angie Pressley, Andrea Runyan, acting City Attorney, Gloria Brown, City Clerk, and Greg Scott, City Manager.

Approval of Minutes: Kenneth Roach made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2009 Regular Council Meeting; Jason Phillips seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda:

1. Intergovernmental Agreement with Madison County – Greg Scott
2. Open House for New Office/Break Room Building – Mayor Stewart
3. Update on City Website – Keith Turman

Approval of Agenda: Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve agenda; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

DDA Update and Depot Committee – Chuck Viers, Candi Ross, and Steven Gilmer: Mr. Viers advised Council that an Art Class for children was held last weekend; Fall Festival applications have started to come in; and the DDA Board approved a \$1,500.00 façade grant for the Remax Building. Candi Ross reported activities and future plans for the Depot. Steven Gilmer showed Council original blueprints of the depot and an original building contract describing materials used in repairs to the Depot after it burned in 1914. He also showed several updated/remodeled Depots in various cities. Mr. Gilmer also said a feasibility study would need to be done. Councilman Jordan feels the building needs to be salvaged and indicated a feasibility study would cost \$2,000 to \$10,000 and feels that City should help with the funding. Greg Scott reminded Council that a budget amendment would be needed. The Depot Committee only seeks Council support and approval for the project and applying for grants to fund the project. Kenneth Roach made a motion to support the project with a resolution. Discussion held. Kenneth Roach amended his motion to support and approve going forward with the Depot Project; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

New Business:

- A. Election Ordinance – Andrea Runyan:** Ms. Runyan explained that this is merely a housekeeping item for pre-clearance from the Department of Justice for Franklin County to handle our elections. Keith Turman made a motion to approve; Jason Phillips seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.
- B. Intergovernmental Agreement with Madison County – Greg Scott:** Greg reported to Council that this agreement has allowed an expansion of our water distribution system at no cost to the City. We will own the new water lines and directly bill customers; the line will be metered at Highway

281 and Shirley Road at which point we will sell water to Madison County. Discussion held and questions asked. Keith Turman made a motion to approve; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

- C. **Open House for New Office/Break Room Building – Mayor Stewart:** Mayor Stewart announced that there will be an open house and ribbon cutting for the new office/break room building on August 31, 2009 at 12:00 noon.
- C. **Update on City Website – Keith Turman:** Councilman Turman would like an update on the City website. Greg Scott gave an update and advised Council that a City facebook page, twitter account and wikipedia page have been implemented.

Old Business:

- A. **Resolution in Support of Regional Highway 17 Project – Greg Scott:** Greg read the resolution. Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve; David Jordan seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

*****Action Items: None***

Executive Session: None

In other business: Chuck Viers of the DDA commented that he hopes Council will soon approve hiring a Better Hometown Director. David Jordan asked Greg Scott to update Council on the Library Project. Greg reported that the project has moved from #37 on the build list to #6 and that several architectural firms will meet with the Library Board on September 9, 2009 to present various plans.

Adjourn: Wayne Braswell made a motion to adjourn; Jason Phillips seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Mayor William C. Stewart, Jr.

Gloria A. Brown, City Clerk/Financial Manager

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