

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
Ashland City, Tennessee
September 12, 2006

The Board of Mayor and Council met in regular session on September 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Gary Norwood.

Council present: Steve Allen, Tommy Nicholson, Dwayne Noe, Carol Macha, and Chris LaCrosse.

Council absent: Rick Johnson.

Others present: Vanessa Bowman, Myrla Sproat, Penny Brooks, Gregory Buppert, Margaret Sherbert, Rob Sherbert, Robert Sherbert, Marina Sherbert, CJ Groulx, Greg Edrington, Darryl R. Carroll, Jason Cannon, Sandy Cannon, Sally Andrews, Matt Anderson, Curtis Bennett, Mary Glasgow, Lisa Cantrell, Marc Coulon, Murry Hawkins and Phyllis Schaeffer.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by Nicholson, to approve both sets of minutes the Special Called and the regular August minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Forum: none.

Attorney:

Ms. Noe formally thanked the Council in letting her go to the Tennessee Municipal Attorney Association in Portland Oregon.

New Business:

Margaret Sherbert approached the Council saying she was with the Ashland City Dixie Youth baseball group and was saying how she thought John's Park was in disrepair. This park has been around since the early 60's and Dixie Youth has been there since the beginning. She is coming today to ask about fixing the playground and the parking lot. The Dixie Youth handles the field and concessions. There is a group of people that would like to form an organization called Friends of Johns Park to raise funds. The Dixie Youth will take \$5.00 from each registration and give to the parks budget to help fix the park. Mayor Norwood asked if they had been to the parks board. Ms. Sherbert said yes they had been, the board thought it would be appropriate to form the organization but to come to the Council for approval. After more discussion on the parks a motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Macha, to approve the formation of Friends of the Park. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Allen-yes, Nicholson-yes, Noe-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Myrla Sproat told the Council that the officers of R.A.C. were present at the Capitol to receive the T-21 grant. Also, as best she knows they got the application in on time for the Streetscape grant. Another item that Ms. Sproat heard was that Ashland City made the finals on the Courthouse revitalization grant but has not heard who has won. Ms. Sproat invited everyone to the next meeting Friday 8 a.m. at Primetrust Bank.

A motion was made by Macha, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve Ordinance #323 – colors etc. of buildings – on 1st reading. Mr. Armstrong said the reason for the ordinance was to have some consistency and control. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Macha-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Nicholson-yes, Noe-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by Nicholson, to approve Ordinance #324 – Rezoning a portion of Main St from R-4 to C-1 – on 1st reading. Mayor said this property was between the condos by Hardee's and Primetrust Bank. Mayor said this request was discussed last night at length in the planning commission meeting. The setbacks in other zoning wouldn't allow for any structures therefore C-1 is the best zone. Mr. Armstrong said it will take a non-conforming property and make it conforming. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, Macha-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve Ordinance #325 – rezoning a portion of Hwy 12South from R-1 to C-2 – on 1st reading. Mayor said this also came to the planning commission last night this would be the piece of property across the road from the taxidermy across from where Bubba's Used Cars used to be. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Nicholson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Noe-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Noe gave an update on the attorney's letter regarding the Adcock property. Prior to annexation the property was zoned I-2, she has checked with county zoning resolutions went through some amendments but uses permitted in 5.062 (2) junk, auto scrap. His property could have been used for those purposes. According to a map she looked at it had an arrow pointing and shaded said it was I-2. If there was an operation prior to the annexation it would have been grandfathered in. Mr. Adcock bought the property from the Cohen's who had junkyards in Nashville. Mr. Adcock said he purchased the property in 95 but had leased the property prior to that.

The prior owners never used the property then it was auctioned to the Cohen's. Everything in that area is industrial. As far as zoning the city should clean the zoning up there and on Thompson Road from residential to industrial zoning.

Resolution 2006-07 – Personnel Policy. Mayor Norwood said we have been looking at the policy and would like the dress code added tonight and then next month we could look at any other changes if any. A motion was made by Noe, seconded by LaCrosse to adopt the policy to include the dress code. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor Norwood said he met with Ms. McMahon and will meet with her again on Thursday. We can't do anything with Brinkley Street until they have an answer. Mr. Paul Gupton said he also talked with her and she doesn't seem against it but would like to get further information.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by Nicholson, to approve change order #3 for the raw water intake in the amount of \$414,597.50 after some discussion and with the correction of the figures the motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Cherry spoke about the red silt in the water and said it was coming from Mr. Reigle's property. The chemicals being used are up by a third trying to keep up with the silt.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Nicholson, to give the fire dept. permission to surplus the 96 Crown Vic. to Pegram. The Council was advised this car was involved in a crash and Pegram will be able to use it for parts as they had a vehicle like it. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Cherry asked for approval on the Higher's and Koonce proposal for sanitary sewer and evaluation he said the money was in the budget. A motion was made by Macha, seconded by Noe, to accept the proposal in the amount of \$4,000. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Macha-yes, Noe-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Nicholson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve W & O's pay request in the amount of \$296,964.65. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Allen-yes, Nicholson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by Nicholson, to approve Hart Freeland Roberts pay request in the amount of \$3,520.23. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Nicholson, to approve the Geoscience pay request in the amount of \$459.50. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, Noe-yes, Macha-yes, and Mayor- yes.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve all 3 pay requests from Higher's and Koonce in the amounts of \$1,283.30, \$2,078.00, and \$1,602.75. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Noe-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Macha, seconded by Noe, to approve Lose & Associates pay requests in the amount of \$1,151.69 and \$25,807.46. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Macha-yes, Noe-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Other:

Mayor asked Mr. Hawkins about the status of the Bull Run property. Mr. Hawkins said we still have not received the permit.

Mayor Norwood said that Chief Coulon has been working on a Reserve Officer Program. Ms. Noe has gone over it thoroughly and he would like the Council to approve this program. Chief Coulon handed out a program outline and spoke to the Council about the cost. Chief Coulon said he would try to find the money in his budget but some time later in year he may have to come before them requesting additional funds but he would do everything to find the money in the budget first A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Macha, to approve the Reserve Officer Program. This will be Resolution 2006-08. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Allen-yes, Nicholson-yes, Noe-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor Norwood told the Council that Tony has worked really hard to get members for the parks board and the Mayor wanted to advise the Council who has been appointed to the board. They are Sierra Ham, David Gibson, Michelle Ingram-Jones, Eric Johnson, and Donnie Kemp. Mayor Norwood said it was a great group of people. Thank you, Tony.

Mr. LaCrosse asked about putting up signs on Route 455 that say it is a truck route. Mr. Cherry said he was advised that he will need an official request made to Ali Feranghi.

A motion was made by Noe, seconded by Macha, to remove the no turn on red sign at 49 and Main and Frey and Main. Mr. Cherry said that would be a mistake to take the sign down at 49 and Main. After a discussion the second and motion was withdrawn and restated. A motion by Noe, seconded by Macha, to remove the no turn on red sign at Frey and Main St. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Mayor read a letter from Advanced Auto Parts complimenting the city for welcoming them into the community and thanking them for working with them.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Macha, to pay the bills. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Macha-yes, Noe-yes, Nicholson-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Binkley with the Chamber advised Council of up and coming events that will be taking place this month.

Mr. Armstrong told everyone that Mr. Rankin got the plans back from the State Fire Marshall's Office and they will be starting on the marina.

A motion was made by Macha, seconded by LaCrosse, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder