

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
August 9, 2011

The Board of Mayor and Council met in regular session on August 9, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Gary Norwood.

Council present: Steve Allen, Alwilda Binkley, Jimmy Gill, Rick Johnson, and Chris LaCrosse.

Council absent: Jim Yates.

Others present: Randy Walker, Chuck Walker, Billy Harris, Marc Coulon, Zach McCarver, Melissa Womack, Michael Armstrong, Dwayne Noe, Chris White, Harry Burton, Bobbi Cooper, Michael Cooper, Wade A. Reed, Bryan Sarsi, Paul R. Gupton, Tim Adkins, Tony Young, Janet Lee, Doyle Moore, Mary Glasgow and Phyllis Schaeffer.

Mayor Norwood advised that before we enter into the regular session we have a public hearing on Ordinance #385- annexation and the plan of services. Mayor said anyone that would like to approach the Council with comments or concerns now was the time to do so.

Michael Cooper came forward and said he was here last month; not wanting to be annexed. They had purchased their property and didn't know it was going to be in the city until they went to build. Mayor asked if Hal was going to be here tonight. Mr. Sarsi said no. Mayor asked are you here in his place. Mr. Sarsi replied yes.

Mayor said that he spoke with Mr. Spears and he was supposed to be here and got held up in Nashville. In speaking with Mr. Spears his intention was to have all Hidden Lakes annexed and the [planning commission's intent was to have it all in the city. Mr. Cooper asked about the 4-5 houses by Boston Hollow. Mr. Armstrong replied it is in our urban growth plan and they are already a part of the city. Mr. Cooper asked why they were not on city water. Mayor Norwood replied that is controlled by the State Pleasant View already had this area when it comes to utilities the State controls the way it goes since Pleasant View has this area they have first right to keep it. Mr. Cooper asked any fees that they paid will they be reimbursed. Mr. Armstrong replied those fees are paid throughout the county everyone pays so there wouldn't be anything to reimburse. Mr. Lacrosse said it sounds like from what you said that you knew before you built your house that you would be in the city. Mr. Cooper said not when we bought the property. Chief Walker was asked to explain the fire tax. Chief Walker advised that right now the county has approved the fire tax for one year.

You are in our district so you get our ISO rating of 4 instead of a 10. Chief Walker continued to explain that if they were not under our ISO rating that their insurance would probably be higher. Mayor said that was what Hal was thinking when he did this it was for 1st responder, police and fire that everyone in the subdivision would be included in the same protection. Mayor said he hoped he would get to Mr. Cooper in a couple of years and that he hoped Mr. Cooper didn't regret being annexed into the city.

Mayor asked if there was anyone else that wanted to come forward.

Mr. Doyle Moore came forward and said he had a change since he talked to the Council last month. Mr. Moore said his property was on Old Powder Mill Rd. Mr. Moore said his son has gotten a one year scholarship so it will be a year before they will know if he has to move. Mr. Moore refreshed the Council's memory that there was 15 acres in all and a part of that had been split off 3-4 acres to his son and the balance was in the county except a small portion that would get annexed. Mayor Norwood asked him what he was requesting, did he still want to be out of the annexation. Mr. Moore said yes, he did not want to be annexed. Mayor Norwood said that he was taken out of the annexation.

Mayor Norwood asked if there was anyone else that wanted to approach. Since no one came forward the Mayor closed the public hearing and commenced with the regular meeting. Everyone present for the public hearing stayed the same for the regular meeting.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Binkley to approve the July minutes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor asked if there was anyone that would like to come before the Council.

Mr. Harry Burton approached and said he had a problem with his water bill that he is on a fixed income and he had a leak they found it and he has had it repaired. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by LaCrosse, to adjust Mr. Burton's water bill to an average of \$50.31. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Janet Lee came forward and said she also had a water issue. MS. Lee said she lives at 152 Elliott Lane at the Sycamore Apartments she had talked with Sycamore maintenance about her toilet running, they checked and said everything was fine, she talked with them again and found the toilet was leaking And it has now been repaired. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson, to adjust Ms. Lee's bill to an average of \$59.29. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Old Business:

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen to approve Ordinance# 385- annexation on 2nd reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen, to approve Resolution 2011-04- Plan of Service. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

New Business:

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Binkley to approve Resolution 2011-06 – Lease/Purchase of a backhoe. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Johnson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor said the next item on the agenda is the commercial copier for the senior center. Mayor said first he would like to introduce Melissa Womack as she is our new Senior Center Director.

Mr. Young said their contract is expired on their copier and he was trying to find the best deal offered and has a service agreement here from Commercial Copy Services, Inc.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve the purchase of the copier and for the maintenance agreement for the senior center. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor said on the Lafferty bill, Dwayne you need to call Chris Camp tomorrow. Mr. Noe, replied yes, sir I will first thing in the morning. I have tried before he will not return my phone calls.

Other:

Mr. LaCrosse said he would like to invite Melissa back to the podium and tell us a little about herself.

Ms. Womack said she and her husband Tommy have lived on Bell Street for 17 years. The last 16 years she has been an activity Director in doing that when she saw the opportunity to come to her own community she came and ran with it. She has made numerous contacts for seniors. She wants our senior center to be a place people want to come to and put Ashland City on the map for the senior section. Ms. Womack said she has been very welcomed by everyone.

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

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder