

WAYNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL

MAY 18TH, 2023

5:00PM

Call to Order: Mayor Wilson called the May 18th, 2023 meeting of the Waynesville City Council to order at 5:00pm.

Roll Call: On roll call, Mayor Wilson and five (5) council members were present:

PRESENT: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

ABSENT: Davis, Dils, Koren

Approval of Consent Agenda: Mayor Wilson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Rice made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Councilman Liberty seconded.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Closed Session – There was a need for closed session for legal, real estate. Councilman Liberty made a motion to go into closed session and Councilman Conley seconded.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Council entered closed session at 5:01pm.

Council out of closed session at 5:53pm.

Citizens Comments

Keith Pritchard – 300 Highland Woods Drive. Thanked the City for it's support of the Civilian Aids to the Secretary to the Army's (CASA) 100th Annual Gala held May 11th. Mr. Pritchard stated he appreciated the banners the City had made and posted along Route 66. The signs were acknowledged by the Pentagon and one will be hanging in the CASA offices for the next week or two.

Dr. Jerry Brown – 1390 Hwy F. Thanked Mr. Doyle and Street Department Supervisor Jason Chapman for replacing the convex mirror and South Lynn and Hospital Rd.

Special Guests – Presentations

Attorney Tyce Smith – 911 Communications Contract. Attorney Tyce Smith addressed the Council regarding the 911 Communications (E911) Contract and the significant raise in the service rate E911 is charging. Mr. Smith also briefed the Council on a dog case out of Saint Robert that has filled the Waynesville/Saint Robert Animal Shelter kennels since October of 2022.

Board – Commission – Liaison Reports

Park Board

- a. No Meeting Held – No Report

Planning and Zoning

- a. Report on May 9th, meeting. Councilman Hyatt stated the Planning & Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing regarding an application to re-zone property at 512 Main from R1 to R3.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE** – HB2023-14 – Approving Re-zoning of property at 512 Main Street from R1 to R3. Ordinance was read by title twice and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Rice.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Standing Committee Reports

Utility Committee

- a. Report on May 1st, meeting. Councilman Conley briefed the Council on Utility updates and departmental tasks. Councilman Conley stated that the Committee approved to send the Pulaski County Sewer District #1 advising of an upcoming rate increase. The Committee also approved to re-instate the Subdivision Improvement Program.
- b. **PROPOSED RESOLUTION** – 04-23 – Reinstatement of the Subdivision Improvement Program. Resolution was read by title and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Liberty and seconded by Councilman Hyatt.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

- c. **PROPOSED RESOLUTION** – 05-23 – Authorizing Application to the Department of Natural Resources for Lead Service Line Grant Funding. Resolution was read by title and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Rice.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Economic Development & Government Affairs

- a. Report on the May 1st, meeting. Councilman Rice briefed the Council on economic development issues and businesses being spotlighted in the months to come. Councilman Rice stated that Doug Potts, the Economic Development Coordinator has

received 6 completed applications for the Renovation/Demolition Small Business Grant Program and has also secured advertising on one of the I-44 billboards for City use.

Roads and Grounds

- a. Report on May 2nd, meeting. Councilman Farnham briefed the council on Street Department projects and updates.

Police & Emergency Services Committee

- a. Report on May 4th, meeting. Councilman Liberty briefed the Council on Police and Fire Department updates.

Finance & Human Resources Committee

- a. Report on May 4th, meeting. John Doyle briefed the Council on the City's finances and current budget. Mr. Doyle stated the Committee discussed the Recreational Marijuana Tax and approved to have Council consider placing it on the August 8th ballot.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE** – HB2023-15 – Approving Submission of Proposed Recreational Marijuana Tax to Qualified Voters. Ordinance was read by title twice and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Farnham and seconded by Councilman Rice.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

- c. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE** – HB2023-16 – Authorizing Purchase of Real Estate for Public Works Building. The Ordinance was read by title twice and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Hyatt.

YEAS: Farnham, Hyatt, Rice, Liberty, Conley

NAYS: None

Motion passed

Waynesville/St. Robert Joint Airport Board

- a. Report on April 25th, meeting. Councilman Liberty briefed the Council on Airport updates including fuel sales and marketing efforts.

Other Business

- a. None

City Administrator's Report

City Administrator John Doyle spoke of the 911 Communications contract, the I-44 Billboard and briefed the Council on the progress of utility installation for the Dollar General.

Council Comments

- Farnham - Advised we had recently lost two great entertainers, Tina Turner and Shelden Reynolds of the Commodores.
- Hyatt - Thanked Attorney Tyce Smith for his positive comments regarding the City's Animal Shelter and Mr. Pritchard's comments in regards to the City's support of the CASA Gala event.
- Rice - Thanked Mayor Wilson for the outstanding job he is doing.
- Liberty - Thanked Mr. Pritchard for his involvement with the CASA Gala.
- Conley - Urged citizens to be safe while traveling for Memorial Day and reminded them to please mow their yards.

Mayors Comments – Mayor Wilson announced there would be a Memorial Ceremony at the Veteran's Cemetery on Memorial Day and urged everyone to come down and enjoy Kids to Park day on June 3rd.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this session of the Waynesville City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm by Mayor Wilson . The next regularly scheduled session of the Waynesville City Council is June 15th, 2023 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Brown - City Clerk