

WAYNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 20, 2020
5:00PM

Call to Order: Mayor Hardman called the February 2020 meeting of the Waynesville City Council to order at 5:00pm.

Roll Call: On roll call, Mayor Hardman and seven (7) council members were present:

PRESENT: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
ABSENT: Davis

There was a need for closed session. Councilman France made a motion to move to closed session, seconded by Councilman Curtis.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed

Council moved to closed session at 5:00pm.

Council returned to open session at 5:30pm.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance: Invocation was given by Sean A. Wilson of Greater Faith Victory Church with the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Mayor Hardman.

Mayor Hardman honored Tim Wallace of Channel 12 Tiger TV for being presented with the Educator of the Year award from the Waynesville/St. Robert Chamber of Commerce.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Mayor Hardman called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Wilson to approve the Consent Agenda.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
ABSENT: Davis
Motion passed.

Special Guests – Citizen Comments:

- a. Presentation of Good Citizen Awards – Mayor Hardman recognized the “Fun Club” a group of women who offer alternative activities for people with different abilities in our communities, at the ARK last week. Mayor Hardman also introduced Laura & Cornell Miles and honored them for their kindness and willingness to help their neighbors and the community as a whole. Both Mr. and Mrs. Miles addressed the gallery and Council.
- b. Business Spotlight – Lost in the Woods Antiques was acknowledged as the City’s Business Spotlight of the month of February.

No Citizen Comments

Board – Commission – Liaison Reports

Park Board

- b. Bonnie Wilson gave a presentation to the City Council in regards to “Wintercreeper” an invasive plant that is threatening the health of the trees in our parks and residential areas.
- a. Report on the February 13th Meeting - Park Board Chairman Lawrence Beamer stated that the Pulaski County Master Gardeners will be looking to take on a project for the flower beds around the Courthouse and the WSR Youth Sports program is in full swing getting ready for Spring sports. Mr. Beamer also welcomed Trey Haragan as the new Parks Superintendent and stated he was looking forward to working with him.

Planning and Zoning

- a. No Meeting Held – Mr. Harrill made reference to the minutes from the January 14th meeting that were available in the Council packet.

Standing Committee Reports

Roads and Grounds

- a. Report on February 6th meeting. Councilman France reported that the major goals for the Street Department was the paving of roads and sidewalk projects. Councilman France stated they received an update on the Recreational Trail Grant and were told that construction could begin within the next few weeks. Councilman France stated they received a Street Department update and also approved a motion to begin work on a Solid Waste Management Building that will be located at the Wastewater Plant.

Utility Committee

- a. Report on February 4th meeting - Councilman France reported that the Committee discussed an Ordinance regulating the installation of propane tanks in the City and approved a letter to be sent out stating the City is looking to enter the commercial solid waste business within the City in the future. Councilman France reported an update on projects, to include an Industrial Park sewer extension, SCADA and utility department updates were heard.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2398** – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 767 Establishing Rate for Solid Waste Management & Recycling Services Furnished by the City. Mr. Harrill stated rates for Solid Waste service had not been raised since 1994 and advised the rate would be implemented in increments over a three-year period. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Brown.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France

NAYS: None

Motion passed.

- c. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2399** – An Ordinance Approving the Assumption of Commercial Solid Waste Collection Services. Mr. Harrill stated this ordinance would allow the City to notify other Solid Waste Management Companies in the area that the City intends to assume Commercial Trash Service in the future. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Curtis and seconded by Councilman Liberty.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed.

Finance Committee

- a. Report on February 13th Meeting – Councilman Liberty reported that a review of the budget was presented by Mr. Harrill. Mr. Harrill stated that as of the 13th of February we had \$3.7 million in the bank. At the end of January we were at 9% of expected expenses and 10% of our projections in revenue. Councilman Liberty stated a discussion on amending the Business License ordinance in regards to penalties and an annual review of the Fund Balance Review Policy was heard.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2400** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 605 Regarding the Issuance of Business Licenses. Mr. Harrill stated the ordinance would increase the penalties associated with businesses who are late renewing their license. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Liberty.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed.

Police & Emergency Services Committee

- a. Report on February 6 Meeting – Councilman Liberty reported that the committee also received an update on 2020 projects for the Police Department with a focus on no texting and driving enforcement. Ordinances concerning the use of ATV's on City streets, proper use of turn lanes, and proper use of turn signals was discussed with the all ordinances being approved to go to Council. Councilman Liberty stated that the policy on Police Pursuits was discussed along with receiving a Police Department update.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2401** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 315 Regarding Vehicle Turning Movements. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Wilson.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed.

Waynesville/St. Robert Joint Airport

- a. Report on January 28th Meeting. Councilman Wilson stated that an update regarding the budget was heard along with an airport operations report. Councilman Wilson stated the FAA was pleased with the inspection of our airport and the Board received updates on the Parallel Taxiway Project, Passenger Terminal Expansion and a marketing report. Councilman Wilson stated the board also received updates on all grant projects.
- b. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2402** – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #2297 Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Supplemental Agreement #2 for the State Block Grant. Mr. Harrill stated the proposed amendment would increase grant funding by \$261,553. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Brown and seconded by Councilman Conley.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed.

- c. **PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2403** – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #2377 Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Supplemental Agreement #2 for Airport Aid. Mr. Harrill stated the proposed amendment would increase grant funding by \$31,232 for the Commercial Terminal Facility. The proposed ordinance was read by title two (2) times and its adoption and passage was moved by Councilman Brown and seconded by Councilman Conley.

YEAS: Farnham, Wilson, Curtis, Brown, Liberty, Conley, France
NAYS: None
Motion passed.

Economic Development & Government Affairs

- a. Report on the February 4th meeting – Councilman Farnham reported that his committee discussed projects for 2020 along with research that is being conducted on updating the City's current Building Codes. An update regarding Proposed State Legislation was given by Mr. Harrill regarding changes in the Sunshine Law as it pertains to social media. Councilman Farnham stated that an update regarding lighting for downtown during Christmas was heard with a substantial savings. The committee approved to purchase the rope lighting.

Other Business

None

City Administrator's Report

City Administrator Bruce Harrill stated that staff conducted a review of the City's Community Improvement District and last year the City received a record high in tax payments for the district which shows a substantial sales tax growth in the City. Mr. Harrill gave a personal update along with an announcement regarding the availability of new recycling bins for Waynesville citizens.

Council Comments

- Farnham - No Comment this month
- Wilson - Please don't shoot armadillos in your neighborhoods. The Animal Shelter has live traps available on loan.
- Curtis - Wanted to recognize how well our infrastructure has improved over the years with hardly any electric outages occurring anymore.
- Brown - Gave the City Staff an A+ with the City Council receiving an A.
- Liberty - Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and thanked Mr. Harrill, Mr. Doyle and City staff for their hard work.
- Conley - Warned the community about a phone scam occurring where a call came in and it was his number calling himself. Reminded people not to give out personal info.
- France - Be prepared for cold temperatures and stay warm. Be sure to check on your elderly neighbors.
- Mayor Hardman - Congratulated Park Supervisor Randy Brown on his retirement after 21 years of service to the City. Mayor Hardman also reported on her trip to San Antonio. Tx for the ADC Conference.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this session of the Waynesville City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm by Mayor Hardman. The next scheduled session of the Waynesville City Council is March 19th, 2020 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Brown
City Clerk