

REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: October 13, 2011

Time: 6:30

Place: City Hall

Present: Gary Manning, John Coombs, Dan Bloodworth, Jane Birdwell Absent: John Finch

Also Present: Tim Ellis, Senator Joe Haynes, Alicia Prince, Richard Pope, Phillip Gibson, Julie High, Dawn Freeman, Amy Mitchell, Phillip Uldrich, Charlie Morrow, Susan Rotkiewicz, Bob Lord and others.

Mayor Manning called the meeting to order. Mr. Bob Lord offered prayer. Mayor Manning led the chambers in the pledge of allegiance.

City Recorder Prince called the roll: Mayor Manning present, Vice Mayor Coombs present, Commissioner Finch absent, Commissioner Bloodworth present, and Commissioner Birdwell present.

Consider approval of the minutes of the regular Commission meeting on September 22, 2011. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Coombs to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bloodworth and motion passed unanimously 4-0.

The following citizens spoke in regards to the bulk propane storage and refueling station being proposed in the City of Millersville.

1. Carl Sumruld of 711 Park Drive. Mr. Sumruld updated the Commission on the propane facility issue in Millersville and asked the Commission to add their request of the City of Goodlettsville partnering with the Sumner County Citizens in a financial aspect to the agenda tonight.
2. Paul Frank of 108 Elizabeth Court
3. Quenn Crum of 815 Loretta Drive
4. Linda Lowery of 505 Natalie Drive
5. Caroline Krueger of 733 Dickerson Road
6. Jim Waddell 2094 Katherine Drive

Denver Schimming of 943 Old Dickerson Pike stated was present for work session and on the subject of Tim Ellis being city manager, he stated that Mr. Ellis had always been very helpful and responsive to him as a citizen. He also stated to Vice Mayor Coombs that he was not able to attend the last planning meeting but looked over the notes and asked if he understood correctly that Dry Creek Road would be paved in the next 30 to 45 days. He also asked if they would be extending the sidewalks and asked if the next step, when the core sampling of the pool is complete, is determining what the facility will be and what it would look like and who will be determining this.

Vice Mayor Coombs replied that according to the last time he spoke to Planning Director Rick Gregory, who had been in contact with the developer, there had been a utility pole issue that has now been addressed and that the developer is in the process of doing the extra work necessary to

get the paving done. He stated that this is expected to be done before the end of the year and that the sidewalks are extending the sidewalks according to the information that is being given to us.

Assistant City Manager Tim Ellis responded to his question about the pool. He stated that it would be a team of City staff including the Parks Department who would make a recommendation to the Commission once the process was completed.

Assistant City Manager Ellis stated that he had no comments as they were all made at the study session.

Vice Mayor Coombs stated that he appreciated the citizens who turned out in regards to the propane distribution center in Millersville. He asked Carl Sumruld if his concerned citizens group had been set up as a 501c3. Mr. Sumruld replied that they had.

Commissioner Birdwell requested that this be added to the agenda tonight for discussion and/or vote due to the urgency of the matter. She stated that the citizens deserved the chance to have proper procedures followed and believed we needed to help them due to the tight deadline.

Vice Mayor Coombs asked City Attorney Haynes for his interpretation on adding this to the agenda of this meeting.

City Attorney Haynes stated that it would require unanimous consent to add to the agenda. He stated that in his opinion this was required due to the fact that there had been no notice given to the public and that this was their way of insuring that things were being done properly.

Commissioner Bloodworth stated that he had one reservation. He stated that he wanted to support their efforts; however he had just learned that Louis Oliver had this case and would like to learn more from Mr. Oliver regarding the possibilities of the outcome of the case before committing to spending all the citizens money and stated that was his only reservation but stated that he was willing to make a personal donation.

Mayor Manning stated that he did not believe that there was a member of the Board who would not support them in any way personally; however, he did not know how they could commit City funds for this without amending the budget.

Vice Mayor Coombs asked City Attorney Haynes to clarify their legal position in this matter.

City Attorney Haynes stated that they had the authority as Board of Commissioners to appropriate the money but they would have to amend the budget. He stated that this was an unusual request and he was not aware of this ever having been done previously.

There was discussion regarding the amount to consider and how much the legal fees would be. After discussion, Vice Mayor Coombs made a motion to add this item to the agenda of this meeting. Commissioner Bloodworth seconded the motion and Mayor Manning stated that there was unanimous consent from the Commission and that the item would be added at the end of the meeting.

Consider Resolution No. 11-490, a resolution to authorizing the City of Goodlettsville to participate in the TML Risk Management Pool “Safety Partners” Loss Control Matching Grant Program. Assistant City Manager Ellis explained that we had utilized this grant before from our insurance carrier, TML and that this grant matches up to \$2000.00 for expenses incurred to enhance our workplace safety. Commissioner Bloodworth made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11-490. Commissioner Birdwell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 4-0.

At this time the Commission considered the request by the Sumner County Concerned Citizens group of a donation to help with litigation costs regarding the propane storage and refueling station locating in Millersville. Commissioner Birdwell made a motion to give the group \$5000.00 to file the case with no further commitment from the City of Goodlettsville. There was discussion. Commissioner Birdwell then made a motion to amend the budget to provide the Sumner County group with \$4000.00 to pursue this lawsuit. Vice Mayor Coombs seconded the motion. Assistant City Manager Ellis asked the Commission if we would be doing this as a charitable contribution to a nonprofit organization. The reply was ‘yes’. He stated that there was some protocol to follow in doing this and gave the floor to Finance Director High to explain. She stated that it was her understanding that any charitable contribution of public funds the City made had to be advertised and when the budget was passed, there were no charitable contributions budgeted so there was no advertising done for such. She stated that we may need to ask City Attorney Haynes about this. City Attorney Haynes stated that he believed that Financial Director High was correct. There was more discussion. It was decided that the proper procedure needed to be followed and it would be added to the agenda of the next meeting for first reading, giving us time for proper advertisement. Commissioner Birdwell then withdrew her motion temporarily.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7.26 p.m.

City Recorder

Mayor