

REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: October 9, 2008

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: City Hall

Present: Jerry Garrett, Gary Manning, John Coombs

Absent: John Finch, Jeff Cordell

Also Present: Joe Haynes, Jim Thomas, Claudia Davis, Tim Ellis, Richard Pope, Rick Gregory, Tom Tucker, Jack Tompkins, Charlie Morrow, Joyce Washington

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Garrett. Tom Tucker offered prayer. The City Recorder called the roll: Mayor Garrett present, Vice Mayor Finch absent, Commissioner Cordell absent, Commissioner Manning present, and Commissioner Coombs present.

Consider approval of the minutes of the September 25, 2008 regular commission meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Manning to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Coombs and passed unanimously 3-0.

City Manager Jim Thomas reported that city offices will be closed on December 25th and 26th for the Christmas holidays. Mayor Garrett recommended that Wednesday, December 24th be a short business day.

The Commissioners agreed to cancel the November 27th Commission meeting, which is Thanksgiving Day.

Mayor Garrett read a letter from Goodlettsville Church of Christ and asked that it be made a part of the minutes.

Mayor Garrett stated that after the election, he would like to examine how many voters who voted in the Presidential election also voted in the City election. If the results show that the percentage who voted in the City election is low, he will recommend to the Commission to have our own election as in the past. Commission Manning stated that he would support that decision.

Commissioner Coombs encouraged everyone to promote early voting due to the expected large turnout.

Commissioner Manning stated he will be out of town for the next Commission meeting on October 23rd.

Commissioner Manning stated that he was a realtor for 20 years and there are a lot of rules and regulations involved with properties that are for sale or would be for sale. Our Economic Development Director, Tom Tucker, promotes parcels of land to potentially group together, or perhaps tries to attract residential, retail or industrial development. He wondered if the City has any liability, because when he was a realtor, if a phone call came into the realty office, if the individual who answered the call was not a realtor, they were not allowed by the State to divulge any information about the properties. We are in effect marketing properties that potentially will be for sale. Obviously the City is getting no monetary value but he questioned if we are promoting specific parcels, does the City have any liability? He has had an individual say to him that he was going to list their property for sale but they were first going to approach the City about putting their

property on the Economic Development agenda to see if they could sell their property without the benefit of a realtor. City Attorney Haynes did not think the City would have any liability, but agreed to research the question. Commissioner Manning further questioned that if the City's representative showed properties and took the position that a site would be perfect for "whatever" and then someone buys that property, it could then come before the Planning & Zoning Board and they might think differently and not like the plans. Economic Development Director Tom Tucker noted that generally throughout the fifty states, the Department of Economic Development hires people throughout the hierarchy and many times they are known as an agent of the state or city that simply represents, not necessarily promotes. Typically the economic development person is a partner with owners, realtors and developers. Commissioner Manning restated that the perception of the property owner is that the City is promoting property for sale.

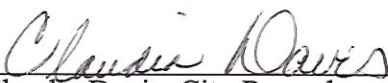
Commissioner Coombs recommended that we engage in conversation with the Sumner County Election Commission to move the voting site from Madison Creek Elementary School to the City's Historic Sites Interpretive Center. He also requested that we ask them to consider Goodlettsville as an early voting site in the future. City Manager Thomas stated this request has been made before and he plans to contact the current Chairman of the Election Commission immediately after the election.

Commissioner Coombs praised the new website but encouraged posting the final approved minutes rather than the draft minutes. Mayor Garrett noted that this would create a time lag in citizens getting the minutes. Commissioner Manning stated that if someone attends a meeting, the draft allows them to make comments on the minutes prior to their final approval. Mayor Garrett recommended deferral on this issue.

Consider Ordinance No. 08-720, an ordinance to amend Title 14, Chapter 2 of the Goodlettsville Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 10 – Floodplain Districts. Planning Director Rick Gregory reviewed this item. A motion was made by Commissioner Coombs to approve Ordinance No. 08-720 on first reading. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manning and passed unanimously 3-0.

Consider Resolution No. 08-378, a resolution to award a contract to General Constructors, Incorporated (State of Tennessee License No. 21901) for replacement of the Utley Drive bridge superstructure. City Engineer Jack Tompkins reported the City opened sealed bids for this project on September 25th. General Constructors presented the lower of two bids at \$127,960. A motion was made by Commissioner Manning to approve Resolution No. 08-378. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Coombs and passed unanimously 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.


 Claudia Davis, City Recorder


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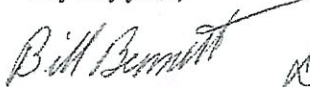
Dear Mayor Garrett:

At a recent meeting of the church's elders, there was a discussion as to how the City had demonstrated a spirit of cooperation and support for things we have attempted to accomplish in recent years. It was suggested that our appreciation should be conveyed to you and that you could share it with others, as appropriate, in the employ of the City.

Among our many goals is to make every possible effort to make Goodlettsville even a better place to live. We believe the church's long-term plans for the property we own on Dickerson Road and Harris Street will contribute to the continued beautification of Goodlettsville, while extending services to its citizens. We look forward to working with the City in bringing these plans to fruition.

Again, we just wanted to say "thank you" for cooperation and support received from you and your associates in recent times.

Very truly yours,



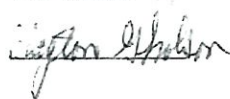
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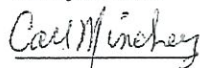
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