

REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: August 24, 2006

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: City Hall

Present: Jerry Garrett, Jeff Cordell, Gary Manning, John Finch

Absent: Bobby Jones

Also Present: Joe Haynes, Claudia Davis, Tim Ellis, Rick Gregory, Bennie Lane, Jan Lanius, Terry Hutcherson, Bill Brasier, Phillip Uldrich, Ray Hunter, Jane Birdwell, John Cannon, Susan Rotkiewicz, Rev. Harry Yates, John Coombs, Herb Murphy, Suzanne Manning, Cherie Terry, Fred Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tankersley,

The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Garrett. Prayer was offered by Rev. Harry Yates.

Consider approval of the minutes of the July 27, 2006 regular city commission meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Manning to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordell and passed unanimously.

Parks Director Tim Ellis reported the Dixie Youth World Series was a tremendous success and our city was showcased and commended by folks from eleven different states throughout the week.

Planning Director Rick Gregory reported he will make an application for a federal grant offered by the enhancement program for improvements to the interstate exchanges and hopefully Vietnam Veteran's exit also. The grant will be an 80% federal match with 20% funding by the city. The grant will not be awarded until the fall, 2007. The anticipated match could be approximately \$176,000 or greater if the Vietnam Veteran's Bypass is included.

Vice Mayor Garrett praised the entire city for the success of the World Series. Commissioner Manning added that the series is something our City can be proud of for years to come. He praised Tim Ellis and all of his staff who worked over and above their duty. He also thanked Tim for also serving as the interim city manager in Jim Thomas' absence. He commended all the City staff for smoothly running the business of the City in Jim's unexpected absence. Commissioner Cordell added his appreciation of Tim wearing two hats. Commissioner Finch thanked the staff and Tim and also Jim Thomas. He stated one of the measures of a true leader is whether he can be gone for a little while and everything keeps running smoothly. Jim has demonstrated that his leadership style has facilitated that.

Commissioner Finch noted he has received several calls and letters from residents in the Kimberley Drive area. He requested that the letters be attached to the minutes. The concerns are all related to issues on Kimberley Drive. Recently the Commission looked at a draft of an ordinance from Springfield that addresses some of these type residence problems. The City Manager was asked to draft a similar ordinance that would be applicable to our city. This is somewhat on hold due to Jim Thomas' recovery but he expressed that when this can be considered and approved, it will give us additional defense to address these type issues. He asked that the Codes Director Bennie Lane be given a copy of the letters. He asked Bennie Lane to investigate whether there are any violations that can be cited at this time.

Consider Resolution No. 06-319, a resolution to establish a commercial rezoning moratorium for properties along Long Hollow Pike for a period of 180 days. Planning Director Rick Gregory reviewed this matter, noting that Phase II of an economic development study of this area has begun. This moratorium would allow the study to be completed before making any zoning changes in the area involved. The Planning Board recommends the moratorium be approved. A motion was made by Commissioner Finch to approve this resolution in light of the good work of the Planning Board, the consultant's work and the public on this study. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordell and approved unanimously.

Consider Resolution No. 06-320, a resolution to recognize the reconstruction and reopening of Sterling House and Clairbridge Cottage facilities on September 12, 2006. A motion was made by Commissioner Cordell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manning and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Finch inquired if the Commissioners wished to hear a request for emergency funding that is not on the published agenda. The Commissioners all agreed to consider the request. Phillip Uldrich explained that around August 10, the Connor Drive radio site was struck by lightening. The estimate for repairs is approximately \$5,000. TML adjusters have indicated the expense should all be covered by insurance except for the \$1,000 deductible. A motion was made by Commissioner Finch to approve approximately \$5,000 from capital funds with the expectation that the City will be reimbursed by insurance for all but \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manning and approved unanimously.

Steve Tankersley thanked the Commission for hearing the concerns from his neighborhood about issues on Kimberley Drive. He assured the Commissioners their concerns are based on their pride for the community and want their neighborhood to look good. Codes Director Bennie Lane reported this property has had problems for several years. There is suspicion that there is a boarding house operation occurring. He has sent a letter to the owner advising him that the property is a single family dwelling. The owner has not responded. He stated that he would be legally allowed to go to the property and ask permission to enter but he cannot legally enter without permission. If entry is disallowed, a Sumner County judge can issue an administrative warrant to inspect the property. The City Attorney emphasized the case must be documented from observations. One property owner stated he has witnessed drug use from those residents and they have thrown drug paraphernalia into his yard when being approached by Goodlettsville Police. After further discussion, Vice Mayor Garrett asked that Police Chief Terry Hutcherson, City Attorney Joe Haynes, Codes Director Bennie Lane and the residents meet after the Commission meeting to determine their course of action of this matter.

Another issue on the street involves a residence where there is a manufacturing activity occurring based on the observations of neighbors. Codes Director Bennie Lane reported there is a trailer and large vat and 55 gallon drums involved. Commissioner Cordell expressed concern about what might be in the drums that could be a safety issue. Commissioner Finch encouraged Lane and Hutcherson to step up their activity in an expeditious manner to try to resolve these problems for these citizens.

John Cannon stated in the course of campaigning he has experienced a number of citizens who are confused about City elections. Many believe it is an election to elect a Mayor and Vice Mayor. Many do not understand that there are two seats to fill. He recommended the Commission publish a neutral article in the Ledger and the Messenger to explain the election process. Vice Mayor Garrett and the other Commissioners agreed to submit such an article for publication. Parks Director Tim Ellis reported the Davidson County Election Commission will be sending a direct mail out to all registered voters with a sample ballot and voting locations and times.

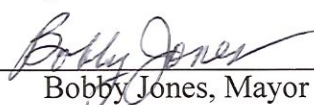
Parks Director Tim Ellis thanked everyone involved in the "team effort" in hosting the World Series. Herb Murphy thanked the Parks Director and his staff for the outstanding job they do.

Commissioner Finch expressed his appreciation to the Chamber of Commerce for hosting the candidate forum. Three of the four candidates who are running for Commissioner were there. He commended the three candidates who spoke and were so courteous, polite, professional and positive.

Vice Mayor Garrett declared the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



Claudia Davis, City Recorder



Bobby Jones, Mayor