

county and national election dates. Every citizen who has written to the newspaper and who has been talked to by the paper was in favor of it. She does not understand that as elected officials they can vote against what the people who elected them have asked them to do and she regrets that.

John Cannon thanked Richard Pope as a police officer. When the tornado came through, a phone pole snapped and barely missed their new office of two months on East Cedar Street. Richard was there directing traffic within thirty seconds. He thanked Richard for checking on them and for all the Fire and Police Departments' immediate response. He was struck by how badly the country had responded to other crisis' last year and how well Goodlettsville responded. This is the place to be and he is mighty proud to be a citizen of Goodlettsville.

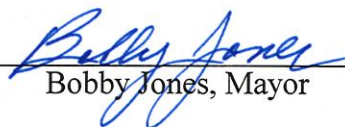
Cannon stated to Mayor Jones, Vice Mayor Garrett and Commissioner Cordell that again, they are the only ones he knows of in the City who did not want the city election placed on a coinciding date with the state, county or national elections. He believes this is a disconnection between the representatives and the citizens and that's wrong.

Commissioner Finch stated he respects and appreciates the citizens' comments. He thanked the Commissioners for their civil and professional conduct. There is an issue that they do not agree on but he feels they all recognize in the current environment that there is a higher calling this week and at this time.

Commissioner Cordell made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Jones declared the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.



Claudia Davis, City Recorder



Bobby Jones, Mayor

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: April 25, 2006

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: City Hall

Present: Bobby Jones, Jerry Garrett, Jeff Cordell, Gary Manning

Absent: John Finch

Also Present: Jim Thomas, Joe Haynes, Claudia Davis, Tim Ellis, Bennie Lane, Bill Brasier, Terry Hutcherson, Jane Birdwell, Charlie Morrow, Richard Pope, Phillip Uldrich, Terry Hutcherson, John Coombs, Robert McCoin, James Ghee

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Prayer was offered by Commissioner Cordell.

A motion was made by Commissioner Manning to approve minutes of the April 13, 2006 regular city commission meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Garrett and passed unanimously 4-0.

City Manager Thomas reported that the Commission directed him to contact the leadership of Davidson Academy when we learned that the school was considering relocating their campus to Sumner County. He did meet with the Head Master Bill Chaney and other members of their board. It was determined that there was no appropriate tract of land in Goodlettsville to meet their needs. Mr. Chaney has communicated to Thomas that they have entered into a contract to purchase property in Hendersonville to relocate their school.

City Manager Thomas stated that due to the storm damage to city property and the expenses incurred, it is obvious that there will need to be an amendment to the current year budget for a yet undetermined amount. He anticipates that the City will exceed the minimum general fund surplus account balance percentage that

the Commission has mandated. However, after being partially reimbursed with federal and state government for the expenses incurred by the storm, the surplus should be back within the mandated amount, but it will likely be after the end of the fiscal year.

City Manager Thomas noted that there will be a need over the next few weeks for frequent execution of various contracts in reaction to the storm damages. The city charter authorizes the City Manager to sign contracts up to \$10,000. As a convenience to the Mayor and the timeliness issues regarding the execution of these contracts, he wanted the Commission to be aware that there will be a number of contracts in excess of \$10,000. The charter does allow the Commission to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts that have a value greater than \$10,000. Vice Mayor Garrett inquired what the nature of the contracts will be. City Manager Thomas replied they will be private contractors hired to make repairs and the jobs will be publicly bid. City Attorney Haynes recommended that these contracts be handled as they have been in the past, by approval of a Resolution by the Commission. City Manager Thomas noted there may be situations where special called meeting(s) may be necessary.

Vice Mayor Garrett extended his gratitude to Claudia Davis for doing an outstanding job as organizer of the tornado clean up effort in our city.

Vice Mayor Garrett noted there are some families in our community that are going to be hurting. He knows of two cases where they are not going to have the resources to rebuild their home. As a city government, he recommended that everything possible be done to render whatever assistance that is available to these situations. Every avenue should be pursued to help those who may not be able to help themselves. City Attorney Haynes stated that FEMA and TEMA will be helping those who are uninsured and underinsured. He does not believe the City can expend any of the city funds, but personal contributions and federal and state funds should be made available. City Manager Thomas inquired whether these two families have registered with FEMA. Vice Mayor Garrett stated one family has and one family may not be eligible for FEMA assistance because of extenuating circumstances, the deed to the property and siblings. He added that there are probably going to be other similar cases as well.

Commissioner Manning stated he has had conversation with a TEMA representative who said there are a lot of federal funds going unused through Homeland Security. He encouraged the staff to review their emergency procedures and inventory since the tornado event to determine if there are items that could have enhanced the response to the tornado. The representative assured him that this would be a good time to apply for 100% funding for any such items that the City does not have that falls into their criteria.

Consider Ordinance No. 06-677 on second reading, an ordinance to direct the Davidson County Election Commission to call a municipal election for the purpose of electing two(s) members of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Goodlettsville, Tennessee, pursuant to T.C.A. Section 6-20-105. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Garrett to approve Ordinance No. 06-677 on second reading. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cordell. The motion passed 3-1 with Garrett, Cordell and Jones voting in the affirmative and Manning voting in opposition.

Consider Ordinance No. 06-678 on second reading, an ordinance to establish and, in some cases, revise fees charged by the City of Goodlettsville for various municipal services. City Manager Thomas noted that the draft of this ordinance still needs some work and the City Attorney has indicated this matter would be better accomplished by Resolution. A motion was made by Commissioner Cordell to defer this ordinance. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Garrett and passed 4-0.

City Manager Thomas asked for clarification on matters of the election for October 3, 2006. After discussion, it was agreed to have three early voting non consecutive dates available at City Hall, to be determined by the City Manager. Thomas noted there will also be an early voting period available for

voters at the Davidson County Election Commission office.

Richard Pope, 816 Loretta Drive, regarding the election date, stated that the Commission made their original decision seven days after the tornado. Luckily, there were no fatalities or serious injuries from that storm, but the City probably suffered its most devastating financial loss ever for one event. FEMA and insurance will subsidize the losses, but those expenses will have to be initially paid by the city very soon. The vote to hold the city election separate from the general election reflects the Commission's unnecessary spending of taxpayer's money. The election cost estimated at \$7,500 to \$20,000 has been viewed by the Commission as a very insignificant amount in the city's budget. Over the last three years the City has gone through financial crisis and there have been a lot of cuts in the budget. That has all been understood by employees and citizens. However, there have been many times departments and employees have been asked to cut less than this amount and those amounts have been viewed as very important. He asked the Commission to remember in the upcoming budget, when they ask the various departments to cut this amount or less, that it is a very insignificant amount in the overall budget of the City and should not be considered very important to cut. By voting the way they have on this issue, they have won the battle, but by the election date they may lose the war.

Jane Birdwell requested that since the Commission has chosen to spend extra City funds to hold a separate election that they spend a little more and advertise the election in the Tennessean so that all citizens will be aware of the date.

James Ghee, owner of property at 412 Bell Street, asked for clarification about the City's use of FEMA funds to assist residents with removing demolition debris. Commissioner Manning clarified that the funds he previously discussed were from Homeland Security, available for equipment and materials for the City to purchase to better enable the City to serve it's citizens. Partial structures still standing are the responsibility of the property owner through private insurance and assistance from FEMA. City Manager Thomas asked Mr. Ghee to come by City Hall so that he can explain and discuss all the avenues of assistance that might be available.

Bill Brasier reported that Public Works will continue to accept storm debris at their facility. Waste Management will begin removing the debris from the collection sites.

Robert McCain, 818 Dickerson Road, asked for clarification of where the voting polls will be for the city election. City Manager Thomas stated there will be voting polls at Madison Creek Elementary School, Delmas Long Community Center and the First Baptist Church. He also commented that he liked the idea of utilizing Homeland Security funds but that stories abound regarding Homeland Security's failure to deliver on their promises. He cautioned the City to not go out on a limb for a big amount of money.

Commissioner Cordell made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Jones declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.


 Claudia Davis, City Recorder


 Bobby Jones, Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: May 11, 2006

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: City Hall

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

Also Present: Jim Thomas, Joe Haynes, Claudia Davis, Tim Ellis, Bennie Lane, Jack Tompkins, Terry Hutcherson, Jane Birdwell, Richard Pope, Phillip Uldrich, Terry Hutcherson, Russell Freeman, Brock Rust, Phillip Gibson, David Wilson, John Cannon, Ken Castleberry, Susan Rotkiewicz, Maxine Rotkiewicz, Billy Butler, Bill Vecchione, and a number of other citizens