

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: April 22, 2004

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: City Hall

Present: Bobby Jones, Johnny Long, Jerry Garrett, Jim Driver

Absent: Jeff Cordell

Also Present: Joe Haynes, Jim Thomas, John Wright, Tim Ellis, Jack Tompkins, Tommy DeLoach, Rick Gregory, Bennie Lane, Terry Hutcherson, Claudia Davis, Milton Smith, Fred Harper, Susan Rotkiewicz

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Prayer was offered by Fred Harper. Motion was made by Long to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2004 regular meeting, seconded by Driver. Passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance No. 04-642, an ordinance to abandon a portion of dedicated right-of-way known as Northcreek Drive and excess property at Mission Ridge Drive. This is excess property resulting from the relocation of Mission Ridge and the Conference Drive widening project. Dollar General is interested in acquiring the surplus along with the abandoned right-of-way. The excess property is 0.154 acres, part of the total 0.54 acres involved, which includes the right-of-way abandonment. Milton Smith, Dollar General Corporation, stated they are in agreement with the value determined by the appraisal. Motion was made by Garrett to approve Ordinance No. 04-642 on second reading, seconded by Driver. Passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance No. 04-643, an ordinance to modify Title 16, Chapter 2 of the Goodlettsville Municipal Code on excavations and cuts. Motion was made by Long to approve Ordinance No. 04-643 on second reading, seconded by Garrett. Passed 4-0.

Thomas stated the Conference Drive project is on schedule to be completed a couple days before their deadline of May 4th. The final asphalt overlay and the last traffic signal will be installed next week.

Thomas reported that one property owner on Conference Drive has inquired whether the City would consider surrendering excess right-of-way created by the new roadway. He would like to install an elaborate new sign on the front of his property. The new roadway is further from the property line and he is concerned that his sign will be too far back away from the road. There are other similar situations along Conference Drive. The upkeep and maintenance on the increase in right-of-ways will be the City's responsibility. Garrett recommended that the City should be very careful about giving away any right-of-way because there may be a need in the future to widen Conference Drive to six lanes. Driver agreed that the Commission should look into the exact footage involved and more specific details before making a decision.

Thomas stated there is a pool of business owners in the Conference Drive and Long Hollow Pike areas who are organizing a cooperative promotion campaign to attract business back to their businesses. Several owners have contributed money towards advertising and they have asked the City to participate. There is \$5,000 available in the advertising and promotions portion of the tourism budget that could be used for this purpose. Garrett stated he would be in favor of helping those businesses. Driver added that he thought it would be a good use of the marketing dollars.

The City will install American flags along Main Street for Armed Forces Day on Saturday, May 15th, and is encouraging all businesses, citizens, and churches to recognize this day and fly their flags.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Claudia Davis

Claudia Davis, City Recorder

Bobby Jones, Mayor