

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: June 27, 2002

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: City Hall

Present: Bobby Jones, Jerry Garrett, Jim Driver, Jeff Cordell

Absent: Johnny Long

Also Present: Joe Haynes, David Wilson, Jim Thomas, John Wright, Tommy DeLoach, Bill Terry, Terry Hutcherson, Mike Alsup, Sam Uldrich, Ken Hale, Ray Hunter, Jack Tompkins, Phillip Uldrich, Betty and Glen Freudenthal, Bennie Lane, Claudia Davis, Lester Hardison, John Hood, Gina Vaughn, Roger Crocker, Katherine Bennett

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Prayer was offered by Mike Alsup. Motion was made by Driver, seconded by Cordell to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2002 regular meeting. Passed 4-0.

Consider Ordinance No. 02-621, an ordinance adopting a budget and establishing a property tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003. Motion by Cordell to approve Ordinance No. 02-621 on second reading, seconded by Garrett. Passed 4-0.

Consider requests for re-allocation of budget appropriations. Wilson referenced a list from John Wright of budget accounts that need to be increased for this fiscal year and the accounts from which the additional funds are to be taken. Motion by Garrett to approve the following budget changes as presented: \$72,000 from Capital Expenditures (51600-900) to Info Systems Utilities \$3,000 (41600-2400), Info Systems Maintenance \$2,000 (41600-260), Police Training \$2,000 (42100-148), Fire Salaries \$7,000 (42200-111), Fire Overtime \$12,000 (42200-112), Fire Training \$3,000 (42200-148), Highways & Streets Salaries \$2,000 (43100-111), Highways & Streets Signs \$1,000 (43100-342), Park Vehicles \$2,000 (44700-261), Pool Operation \$8,000 (44700-366), Pool Salaries \$10,000 (44700-368), Tourism Overtime \$1,000 (47210-112), Tourism FICA, TCRS, Ins. \$1,000 (47210-149), Tourism Supplies \$4,000 (47210-320), Employer FICA \$2,000 (51100-141), and Insurance \$12,000 (51100-510). \$50,000 from Sewer Engineering (52210-254) and \$29,000 from MC Pump Station Maintenance (52211-265) to Sewer Salaries \$12,000 (52210-111), Sewer Overtime \$1,000 (52210-112), Sewer FICA, TCRS, Ins. \$7,000 (52210-149), Sewer Treatment \$19,000 (52210-243), Sewer Billing \$21,000 (52210-249), Sewer Vehicles \$2,000 (52210-261), MC Pump Station Utilities \$11,000 (52211-240), MC Pump Station Treatment \$3,000 (52211-243), Paying Agent Fees \$1,000 (52220-633), Depreciation \$2,000 (52223-540). The motion was seconded by Driver. Passed 4-0.

Consider Resolution No. 02-255 to establish Personnel Policy regarding gift from City to retiring employees under TCRS benefits. Wilson stated over the past years there has been growing disparity in the gifts and dinner or reception for retiring employees. Staff recommends retirees receive a monetary gift equal to \$50 for each year of City employment service. Any other celebration would be the responsibility of the department in which the employee works and shall be at their expense. Motion was made by Cordell to approve Resolution No. 02-255, seconded by Garrett. Passed 4-0.

Hear report from Charles Hagood regarding soccer fields at Moss-Wright Park. This item was deferred as Mr. Hagood was out of town.

Regarding the upcoming renewal of the City's contract with Metro for wastewater treatment, Garrett inquired about the progress in contacting the City of Gallatin about their sewer capacity. Tompkins stated he visited the Gallatin wastewater facility. It is a 5.5 M.G.D. capacity plant and they are using 3.5 of that capacity. Our capacity would be about 3 M.G.D. which would require expansion. Garrett stated he spoke to Mayor Wright who indicated they would be receptive to pursuing conversation with the City about potential service, and he asked Tompkins to schedule a meeting.

Cordell stated he has received compliments on how nice the employees are and how clean the facilities are at Pleasant Green. He stated a lot of people do not know the park is open. Wilson stated he has received some negative comments about not allowing coolers. Alsup stated the attendance is lower than ever with less than 200 a day.

John Hood, Vice President of the Dixie Youth Baseball League, stated he has heard the baseball fields may not be prepared by the City and there may also be other cuts and increases in fees. He stated there are over 700 boys and girls participating in ball programs and he urged the Commission to reconsider any cuts to these programs. Gina Vaughn, Commissioner of the Spring and Fall Leagues, stated most of the players live out of the city limits and increasing the fees for them would jeopardize the league. She stated sign-ups are Saturday and it would be very short notice to increase the fees at this point. If they have to take over the fields, she asked that they be given enough time to work that into their budget. Roger Crocker stated he lives in Hendersonville but has participated in the baseball programs here for over two years. There may be some who cannot afford the increase. The programs bring revenue into the City with families making purchases in the City while visiting the Park. Katherine Bennett encouraged the Commission to provide as much assistance as possible and to hold down the fees. Mayor Jones thanked them for their comments and explained the 1.1 million in lost revenue from a recent Metro audit. He stated fees are being increased throughout the City, not just to the ball leagues. He asked that they schedule a meeting with Wilson, Wright, Alsup and all the league officials to further discuss the issue.

Lester Hardison thanked the Commission for allowing the VFW to plant a tree at City Hall in honor of our veterans.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Claudia Davis

Claudia Davis, City Recorder

Bobby Jones

Bobby Jones, Mayor