

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE CITY COMMISSION

Date: August 9, 2001

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: City Hall

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

Also Present: Joe Haynes, Jim Thomas, John Wright, Bill Terry, Tommy DeLoach, Mike Alsup, Terry Hutcherson, Bill Brasier, Bennie Lane, Richard Pope, Claudia Davis, Dean and Pam Birdwell, Steve Holland, Phillip and Robbie Gibson, Phillip Uldrich, Debbie Robinson, Darla Hunley, Vishal Banker, Lester Hardison

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jones. Prayer was offered by Jim Thomas. Motion by Long, seconded by Driver to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2001 regular meeting. Passed 5-0.

Presentations to various ball teams was deferred.

Consider Ordinance No. 01-610, an ordinance to change the speed limit on Main Street from Cima Drive to the county line from 40 mph to 30 mph. Brasier stated the boundaries of the change have been extended from the original discussion. The new signs will take approximately 90 days to install due to the bid process and to order the materials. He recommended that the enforcement be delayed until the signs can be installed. Chief Hutcherson recommended that regular speed limit signs be installed on the effective date of the change to begin educating the public of the change. Garrett requested to defer issuing citations until the public becomes fully aware of the speed limit change. Hutcherson stated they would be highly visible with a 30 day warning period. Motion by Cordell to approve Ordinance No. 01-610 on first reading, seconded by Garrett. Passed 5-0.

Consider Ordinance No. 01-611, an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 01-604 modifying Title 17 section 106 of the Goodlettsville Municipal Code, by adding and deleting various provisions of the refuse and trash disposal policy. Brasier stated this revision allows more flexibility in allowing exceptions. The driveway length is shortened from 400 to 300 feet, an allowance for steep driveways is included, and consideration for high traffic areas is provided. Haynes stated he approves the language and form of the Ordinance but recommends a change to include who has the authority to approve the exceptions. Motion by Long to approve Ordinance No. 01-611 on caption on first reading, seconded by Driver. Passed 5-0.

Consider Ordinance No. 01-612, an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 73-161 to update the City's written OSHA program. Thomas stated the City had their annual OSHA inspection about six weeks ago. Their report included a recommendation to update the City's OSHA program, originally adopted in 1973. There have been significant changes and upgrades and he recommended the Ordinance be deferred for further review and study. Motion by Garrett to defer Ordinance No. 01-612, seconded by Cordell. Passed 5-0.

Consider Resolution No. 01-242, a resolution to approve an employee shared sick leave policy. Thomas stated in the past there have been fortunately infrequently a number of employees through no fault of their own, who have depleted their paid leave due to a catastrophic illness or injury. This policy would allow employees to voluntarily donate sick leave in that situation. The policy establishes criteria for giving and receiving the shared time. Motion by Long to approve Resolution No. 01-242, seconded by Garrett. Passed 5-0.

Consider approval for the Law Enforcement Block Grant application for funding and matching funds from the City. Chief Hutcherson stated this grant is for \$9,590 with the City matching funds in the amount of \$1,066 which is available in their supply account. As with previous grants, this is for the mobile data program which has funded the laptop computers for the Police Department.

The program has been very successful. The Mayor declared the public hearing open. No one spoke for or against the issue. The Mayor declared the public hearing closed. Motion by Cordell to approve the application, seconded by Driver. Passed 5-0.

Consider request of Vishal Banker to amend Ordinance No. 66-77 regulating the number of liquor license in the City of Goodlettsville. Mr. Banker stated he would like for the City to issue him a liquor license. Haynes stated the City's ordinance only allows for two liquor stores and prohibits the issuance of any more licenses. Motion by Cordell to deny request for a liquor license, seconded by Long. Passed 5-0.

Consider request of Darla Hunley, Co-Chairperson for the Christmas Parade Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, to allow a nighttime parade. Hunley stated there is no other nighttime parade in this area and would offer a festive enjoyable alternative to the area's parades. Gatlinburg and Carbondale, Illinois have conducted evening parades for a number of years and have offered to share their expertise on the logistics of such an event. Chief Hutcherson stated he agreed the idea of a nighttime parade sounds great but there are serious safety issues involved. There would be at least eight turning movements in detouring traffic from Main Street and would include routing tractor trailers through residential areas. Garrett stated he is excited about the possibility and would like the Police Department to contact the Carbondale Police Department and determine if the safety issues could be resolved and further study the logistics. He suggested the Commission reconsider the request within the next two weeks.

Mayor Jones recommended Judy Wheeler be appointed to the Tourism Board. Motion by Driver to appoint Judy Wheeler, seconded by Garrett. Passed 5-0.

Jeff Cordell thanked everyone involved with the July 4th Celebration, stating every aspect of the event was perfect.

Jim Thomas stated the City's internet and e-mail provider is bankrupt and out of business. A new provider has unsuccessfully attempted to borrow "routers" to connect all of the City's locations until the capital expenditure is available, but has not been able to find any available to borrow. These are the only components needed to put the service back in place. He requested to spend \$7,000 from the telecommunication system funds, to purchase the needed routers. Motion by Garrett to approve spending \$7,000, seconded by Cordell. Passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.


 Claudia Davis, City Recorder


 Bobby Jones, Mayor