

GALAX CITY COUNCIL

Minutes

March 26, 2007

The Galax City Council convened in regular session on March 26, 2007 at 7:30pm in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building. The mayor called the meeting to order with the following councilmen present and they are as listed: Robert Lazo, Robert Kirby, John Garner, C. M. Mitchell, Willie Greene and Derrick Davis. Helen Kyle was absent from the meeting.

Mayor Mitchell recognized Kevin Loftin who attended tonight's meeting to fulfill one of the requirements for a Boy Scout merit badge.

Councilman Greene motioned to approve the minutes as written and to dispense with reading said minutes. Councilman Davis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Mitchell advised that Councilman Greene cannot serve on the Rooftop Board due to a family member being employed by Rooftop. Councilman Davis volunteered to serve on the Board. Following a discussion, Councilman Garner motioned to appoint Councilman Davis to the Rooftop Board. Councilman Kirby offered a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Kirby motioned to appoint City Manager Holland to the Mt. Rogers Planning District Commission. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

City Manager Holland advised that he had met with Kathy Alley, Rural Development, to discuss the Chestnut Creek School of the Arts project. He believes any issues related to the project have been resolved; therefore, he recommends that Council adopt the resolution authorizing the city manager to sign the letter of intent to meet conditions and begin the design process.

Councilman Garner motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the city manager to execute all documents related to Rural Development financial assistance for the Chestnut Creek School of the Arts. Councilman Greene offered a second to the motion. Following a discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

City Manager Holland discussed a resolution related to the Regional Water Supply Planning Grant Application. Following additional comments, Councilman Garner motioned to approve the resolution as presented. Councilman Greene seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Cook, Galax City Schools Superintendent, was present to outline the FY 2008 budget request. The total request for a lump sum is \$12,662,620. The requested total is \$100,000 more than last year.

Mayor Mitchell commented on the close working relationship of the Board and Council. Mayor Greene concurred with Mayor Mitchell's comments.

Councilman Lazo had some questions about the School Board's health insurance policy.

With no further business to come before Council, the meeting was unanimously adjourned on a motion by Councilman Greene.



Mayor



Clerk