

**GALAX CITY COUNCIL
Minutes
July 13, 2009**

Galax City Council convened in regular session in City Council Chambers on July 13, 2009 at 7:30pm.

Mayor Mitchell recognized the Water Treatment Plant for receiving the Virginia Department of Health Office of Drinking Water for a 2008 Silver Award for Excellence in Granular Media Filter Water Treatment Plant Performance. Lucian Lineberry was present to receive the Certificate.

At 7:38 Mayor Mitchell called the meeting to order with the following councilpersons present and they are as listed: Councilwoman Plichta, Mayor Mitchell, Councilman Greene, Councilman Davis and Councilman Webb. Councilmen Lazo and Garner were absent from the meeting.

Councilman Webb prayed the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Following the presentation of a resolution to appropriate funds for the approved FY 2010 budget, Councilman Webb motioned to approve the resolution appropriating funds for the FY 2010 budget. Councilwoman Plichta seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the following votes: Councilwoman Plichta-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Councilman Davis-yea, and Councilman Webb-yea.

City Manager Holland discussed a Mt. Rogers Planning District Commission sponsored regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. This Strategy is used to show support for local government projects for grant applications and to assist the Planning District Commission in identifying and developing new local and regional projects. Following a discussion, Councilman Davis motioned to participate in the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Being seconded, the motion was unanimously approved by the following votes: Councilman Webb-yea, Councilman Davis-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, and Councilwoman Plichta-yea.

Councilman Davis motioned to approve the service contract for the service agreement for the Carroll-Grayson-Galax Solid Waste Authority. Councilwoman Plichta seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the following votes: Councilwoman Plichta-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Councilman Davis-yea, and Councilman Webb-yea.

After discussing an appointment to the Ninth District Development Financing Board, Councilwoman Plichta motioned to appoint City Manager Holland to said Board. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The following votes were cast: Councilwoman Plichta-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Councilman Davis-yea and Councilman Webb-yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Davis was called away from Council Chambers.

Following presentation of a proclamation declaring August 4 as National Night Out in the City of Galax for crime prevention, Councilman Webb motioned to approve said proclamation. Councilman Greene offered a second. The following votes were cast: Councilwoman Plichta-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, and Councilman Webb-yea. The motioned carried. Councilman Davis was absent for the vote.

Councilman Webb discussed the Workforce Investment Act advising that twelve local jurisdictions make up the Region II Workforce Investment Consortium. This Consortium has been asked to accept a revised agreement among all of the partners to operate the Chief Local Elected Officials. Councilman Greene motioned to adopt said agreement. Councilwoman Plichta seconded the motion. The following votes were tendered: Councilman Webb-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea and Councilwoman Plichta –yea. The motion carried. Councilman Davis was absent from the vote.

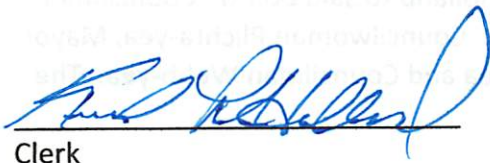
Councilwoman Plichta motioned to reappoint Councilman Webb to the CLEO Board. Councilman Greene seconded the motion. The following votes were offered: Councilman Webb-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, and Councilwoman Plichta-yea. The motion was approved. Councilman Davis was absent during the vote.

At 8pm Councilman Davis returned to the meeting.

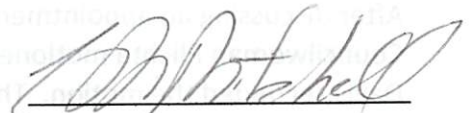
Councilwoman Plichta motioned to adjourn the meeting; however an item not on Council's agenda but on a revised agenda needed to be discussed. Mayor Mitchell reconvened the meeting at 8pm.

City Manager Holland advised that the Twin County Airport Commission has requested that each locality in the Commission share approximately \$21,000 in costs for providing public sewer service to the airport. After discussion, Councilman Davis motioned to fund the portion requested for Galax contingent upon the other localities contributing to the project. Councilwoman Plichta seconded the motion. The following votes were cast for a unanimous decision: Councilwoman Plichta-yea, Mayor Mitchell-yea, Councilman Greene-yea, Councilman Davis-yea and Councilman Webb-yea.

With no other business to come before Council, the meeting was unanimously adjourned on a motion by Councilman Webb and a second by Councilwoman Plichta at 8:07pm.



Clerk



Mayor



CITY OF GALAX

FY 10 APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City Council of Galax has been presented a budget by its staff for the purpose of establishing revenues and expenditures necessary to carry out the operations of its general government and utility system, as well as major capital expenses for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Galax met during open public sessions to conduct work sessions to analyze the proposed budget as presented by staff; and

WHEREAS, upon reaching a consensus upon alterations of the budget as proposed by staff after careful review during various work sessions open to the public, the City Council duly advertised the proposed altered budget and related revenues and held an open public hearing on June 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, after holding such hearings, on June 8, 2009 approved a budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, hereafter known as FY 10;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Galax does hereby appropriate revenues sufficient to meet operating and capital expenditures in the following amounts, unless otherwise changed by resolution:

GENERAL FUND REVENUES

General Property Taxes	\$ 3,516,813
Other Local Taxes	4,892,000
Permits and Fees	26,300
Fines & Forfeitures	115,500
Charges for Services	1,050,500
Use of Money & Property	330,500
Recovered Costs	2,942,523
Miscellaneous Revenue	1,153,400
Categorical Aid from the Commonwealth	778,244
Non-Categorical Aid from the Commonwealth	1,726,470
Revenues from Federal Government	2,116,500
Interfund Transfers	271,360
Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>550,783</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	\$19,470,893

UTILITY FUND REVENUES

Water System Charges	\$ 1,305,500
Wastewater Treatment Charges	1,160,000
Federal Categorical Aid	994,000
Recovered Costs	250,000

Other Financing Sources	<u>1,000,000</u>
TOTAL UTILITY FUND REVENUES	\$ 4,709,500

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the expenditure of funds within the limitations of the following categories beginning July 1, 2009, unless otherwise changed by resolution:

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

Legislative	\$ 13,150
General Administration	1,149,147
Judicial Administration	120,300
Public Safety	3,698,263
Public Works	2,776,406
Health and Welfare	1,194,619
Education	4,941,396
Parks, Recreation & Culture	2,137,473
Economic & Community Development	2,669,264
Debt Service	275,875
Intergovernmental Services	330,000
Nondepartmental	<u>165,000</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$19,470,893

UTILITY FUND EXPENDITURES

Water & Sewer System Maintenance	\$ 587,167
Sewer Plant Operations	699,837
Water Plant Operations	785,000
CMOM Program	100,348
Debt Service	380,788
Non-departmental	296,360
Capital Improvements	<u>1,860,000</u>
TOTAL UTILITY FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,709,500

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following tax rates and or fees are effective beginning July 1, 2009, unless otherwise changed by ordinance:

General Property Taxes

There shall be a tax levy pursuant to the powers vested to the City Council by the Code of Virginia, as amended, on the following:

Real Property Tax - \$0.57/\$100 of assessed value.

Personal Property Tax (Motor Vehicles) - \$1.68/\$100 of assessed value.

Personal Property Tax (Furniture & Fixtures) - \$1.42/\$100 of assessed value.

Machinery & Tools Tax - \$1.42/\$100 of assessed value.


Interest at an annual rate of ten percent (10%) per annum shall be charged on any unpaid general property taxes commencing on the first day of the month following the due date of the unpaid taxes.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, THIS 13th DAY OF JULY, 2009:



C.M. Mitchell, Mayor

ATTESTED:



Keith Holland, City Clerk