

GALAX CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes

April 10, 2000

The Galax City Council convened in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building on April 10, 2000 at 7:30 pm. The meeting was called to order by the mayor with the following council members present and they are as listed: C. M. Mitchell, Van McCarter, Willie Greene and Mary Guynn. Councilmen Hamden and Wilson were absent from the meeting.

Councilman McCarter motioned to dispense with reading the minutes of the last meeting and to approve them as distributed. Councilman Greene made a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman McCarter motioned to set and advertise a public hearing for April 24, 2000 on the proposed school budget with total local funding being \$2,820,782.00. Councilman Greene offered a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Mitchell requested that the agenda item *City Council Appointment* be moved to the last item on the agenda in order to have an executive session.

Mr. Tom Taylor from the Mount Rogers Planning District was present at tonight's meeting to bring Council up to date on different programs the Commission has participated in and to present a Resolution of Appreciation to Councilman Greene in recognition of his service to the Commission.

This was the date and time set for a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission on the rezoning request of certain property located between Glendale Road and East Stuart Drive beside the BB&T Bank (Tax Map 13, Parcels 44 a, b, c and 45- approximately 7.82 acres) located on Cranberry Road. The request is to change the zoning from R-2 to B-2 to allow for the construction of an office building. Mr. Catron, chairman of the Planning Commission opened the public hearing.

Mrs. Patricia Hanks stated that she felt an office building would be a good use for the land. Mike Larrowe, who has an option on the property, gave an overview of the building design and site plan. Mr. John Adams discussed the drainage plan for the project. Mr. Bob Johnson stated that he felt the project would be good for the community and as an adjoining landowner he has no objection to the project. With no further comments received, Mr. Catron advised that the Commission would meet on Thursday, April 13, 2000 to discuss the rezoning request and arrive at a recommendation for Council.

City Manager Campbell reported that he and Councilman Wilson met with representatives of Sprint concerning service improvements for the city and that enhanced services would be in place by this fall.

Two appointments to the proposed board of directors for the Southwest Regional Enterprise Center were carried over to the next meeting.

City Manager Campbell outlined the city's summary of operation charges assessed to the City from Grayson and Carroll counties. Councilwoman Guynn motioned to amend the current year's spending plan to reflect a disbursement to Carroll County in the amount of \$53,769.00. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Campbell reminded members of Council of the Budget Work Session to be held on April 20 at 7:30 pm in the Municipal Building Conference Room.

Members of Council were advised that April is *Child Abuse Prevention month* and they were asked to wear a blue ribbon as a reminder. Handouts and ribbons were made available from the local Department of Social Services.

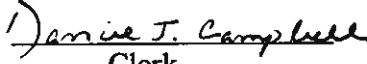
At 8:19 pm Councilman McCarter motioned to go into executive session as authorized in the *Code of Virginia* Section 2.1-344(A)(1) – Appointment to a vacant position on City Council. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Guynn motioned to return to regular session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Greene and unanimously approved.

The Certification of Executive Session is made a part of these minutes.

With no other business to come before Council, the meeting was unanimously adjourned on a motion by Councilman McCarter at 9:00 pm.


Mayor


Clerk

MOTION: Mary Guynn

CODE SECTION: 2.1-344(A)(1)
City Council Appointment

SECOND: Willie Greene

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2000

CERTIFICATE OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

WHEREAS, the City Council of Galax has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, § 2.1-344.1 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Galax City Council that such executive meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Galax City Council hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Galax City Council.

VOTE

AYES: C. M. Mitchell, Van McCarter, Willie Greene and Mary Guynn

NAYS: None

(For each nay vote, the substance of the departure from the requirements of the Act should be described)

ABSENT DURING VOTE: Odell Hamden and Glenn Wilson

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Danielle T. Campbell
Clerk of Galax City Council

