GALAX CITY COUNCIL Minutes July 8, 2002

This was the date and time set for the regularly scheduled Galax City Council meeting.

At 7:30 pm City Manager Dan Campbell administered the Council Oath to recently elected Sharon Plichta. He also administered the Oath to re-elected C. M. Mitchell, George Valdez and Willie Greene. Councilmen Hamden and McCarter were present for this meeting. Councilman Lemons was absent from the meeting.

City Manager Campbell advised that this meeting is also a reorganizational meeting and called for nomination for mayor. Councilman Hamden motioned to re-elect C. M. Mitchell as mayor. Councilman McCarter motioned to close the nominations and re-elect Councilman Mitchell by affirmation. The motion was unanimously passed.

Mayor Mitchell expressed his appreciation to Council members for appointing him to another term as mayor.

Mayor Mitchell called for nomination of a vice-mayor. Councilman Hamden nominated Councilman Greene. Councilman McCarter motioned to close the nominations and accept Councilman Greene by acclamation. The motion received unanimous approval.

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

Mayor Mitchell extended a welcome to Councilwoman Plichta.

Councilman McCarter motioned to appropriate the 2002-2003 City Budget in the amount of \$12,751,885. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Carried over from the last meeting was an appointment to the Planning Commission. City Manager Campbell advised that Darlene Coleman had written a letter requesting appointment to said Board. Councilman McCarter motioned to appoint Ms. Coleman to the Planning Commission. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion. He then called for more information about Ms. Coleman's background that would relate to experiences which would be advantageous to her in serving on the Commission. Following a discussion, Councilman McCarter withdrew his motion and Councilman Hamden withdrew his second. An appointment will be considered at a later date.

Following an overview of the Certified Crime Prevention Program by Police Chief Clark, Councilman McCarter motioned to adopt the resolution which endorses the program. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

City Manager Campbell addressed a request from realtor Dennis Bullins in regard to developing Section Seven of Fox Run which is the final section of the subdivision. Mr. Campbell stated that the request is for a 30' road with 20' of pavement which will be a public street maintained by the property owners. He also advised that the developer would provide water and septic systems.

Mr. Bullins addressed the development of Section Seven of the Fox Run property to be known as Holly Tree Court. Following a question and answer session, Councilman McCarter motioned to approve the development of Section Seven of Fox Run. Councilman Hamden offered a second and the motion was unanimously approved.

Councilman Hamden motioned to adopt Section 148-2 Ordinance for Galax City Code. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Hamden motioned to appoint Councilwoman Plichta to the Galax Grayson Ambulance Service Board. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Councilman Hamden motioned to appoint Councilman McCarter to the E911 Commission. Councilwoman Plichta offered a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Hamden motioned to appoint Councilman Valdez to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman McCarter motioned to reappoint Dr. Lazo to another term on the Library Board. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

City Manager Campbell advised that the mayor and vice-mayor would each serve on the Regional Solid Waste Authority.

E911 Coordinator Harris appeared before Council to advise that she is leaving the employment of the Commission; and, she also expressed her appreciation for the time she has been employed by the Regional Commission.

Councilman Hamden discussed the City's recent Historic District designation. He then motioned to acknowledge Paul Kapp for his efforts in bringing this designation to fruition. Councilman Valdez seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

With no other business to come before Council, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8pm.

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