

OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Municipal Building Courtroom

April 11, 2016

Minutes

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee convened at 7:00 p.m. on April 11, 2016 in the Courtroom of the Municipal Building with Mayor Warren L. Gooch presiding.

INVOCATION

Joseph Westfall, Itinerate Minister of Christian Disciples of Christ

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Councilmember Trina Baughn.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following councilmembers were present: Councilmember Trina Baughn; Councilmember Rick Chinn, Jr; Mayor Warren L. Gooch; Councilmember L. Charles Hensley; Councilmember Charles J. Hope, Jr.; and Mayor Pro Tem Ellen D. Smith. Councilmember Kelly Callison was absent.

Also present were Mark S. Watson, City Manager; Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk; and Kenneth R. Krushenski, City Attorney.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

Kayla Wyatt, 121 Revere Circle, Oak Ridge, addressed the Council concerning amending the City Code to allow backyard chickens within the city limits.

Ed Martin, 76 Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, addressed the Council regarding speeding near his home. Mayor Gooch asked City Manager Mark Watson to communicate with the Police Chief regarding this issue.

Jimmy Groton, 87 Outer Drive, spoke in favor of allowing backyard chickens within the city limits.

Raymond Kircher, 120 LaSalle Road, Oak Ridge, addressed the issue of possible PCB's in lakes and waterways around Oak Ridge. Mayor Gooch requested that Mr. Kircher submit a copy of his comments to the City Clerk for distribution to members of Council.

Weston Blake, 127 Monticello Road, spoke in favor of allowing backyard chickens within the city limits.

Martin McBride, 954 W. Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, addressed the issue of water rates as they relate to the Department of Energy (DOE).

Barbara McCord, 113 E. Magnolia Lane, Oak Ridge, spoke in favor of allowing backyard chickens within the city limits.

Anne Garcia Garland, 120 Outer Drive, Oak Ridge, addressed the issue of the costs associated with construction of the marina bathrooms. Mayor Gooch requested that Ms. Garcia Garland submit a hard copy of her comments to the City Clerk for distribution to members of City Council.

Joseph Lee, 99 E. Pasadena Road, Oak Ridge, also addressed the marina bathroom cost issue.

Adam Heavilin, 347 Vermont Avenue, Oak Ridge, addressed the issue of rats in and around a home on Vermont Avenue and also addressed the marina bathroom cost issue. Mayor Gooch asked City Manager Mark Watson to discuss what efforts are underway by the City to address the rat infestation issue.

Roger Petrie, 100 Vista Road, Oak Ridge, addressed the issue of rats in and around a home on Vermont Avenue.

Cory Sharrock, 111 Mohawk Road, Oak Ridge, spoke in favor of allowing backyard chickens within the city limits.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC RECOGNITIONS

Public Recognitions

Bruce Applegate, Assistant to the City Manager, presented a commemorative plaque to the City of Oak Ridge from the City of Tangerang, Indonesia for the City's participation in the 2016 exchange program.

Proclamations

A proclamation designating April 11, 2016 as Oak Ridge High School's Boys Basketball Team Day.
Councilmember Chinn moved for adoption, and Councilmember Hensley seconded. The proclamation was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

A proclamation designating April 11, 2016 as Oak Ridge High School's Lady Wildcats Basketball Team Day.
Councilmember Hope moved for adoption, and Councilmember Baughn seconded. The proclamation was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

A proclamation designating the month of April, 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved for adoption, and Councilmember Hope seconded. The proclamation was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

A proclamation designating the month of April, 2016 as Fair Housing Month.
Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved for adoption, and Councilmember Hope seconded. The proclamation was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

A proclamation designating the month of April, 2016 as Holocaust Remembrance Day.
Councilmember Hensley moved for adoption, and Councilmember Baughn seconded. The proclamation was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

SPECIAL REPORTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Chinn moved for adoption, and Councilmember Hensley seconded. The Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Approval of the March 14, 2016 City Council meeting minutes.

Approval of the March 29, 2016 City Council special meeting minutes.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT PUMPS, CONTROLS, AND EQUIPMENT FOR PALISADES #3 SEWER PUMP STATION FROM WATER & WASTE EQUIPMENT, INC., CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$77,500.00.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF LED LIGHTING FIXTURES FROM POWER SUPPLY COMPANY, LLC, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$140,079.00.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS WIRE AND CABLE FOR THE SPACER CABLE PROJECT ALONG GUM HOLLOW ROAD FROM BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY, POWER SUPPLY COMPANY LLC, AND ANIXTER INC., IN THE ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$97,444.00.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR THE HORIZON CENTER AS PART OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD'S EFFORT TO MAINTAIN THE HORIZON CENTER'S DESIGNATION AS A SELECT TENNESSEE CERTIFIED SITE.

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION URGING CONTINUATION OF THE TENNESSEE OVERSIGHT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, AND AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF THE TENNESSEE OVERSIGHT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE AND THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: ANDERSON, KNOX, LOUDON, MEIGS, MORGAN, RHEA, AND ROANE.

Councilmember Chinn moved for approval and Councilmember Hope seconded. The resolution was approved unanimously by voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC., KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, FOR AN EVALUATION OF THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$98,250.00.

Councilmember Chinn moved for approval, and Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded. Martin McBride, 954 W. Outer Drive, stressed the importance of engaging the Department of Energy managers in discussions regarding this issue.

The resolution was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Public Hearing:

A public hearing was held on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan for PY2016/FY2016

Sherith Colverson with the Community Development Department provided an overview of the annual action plan and answered questions from Council.

FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2, TITLED "THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE," BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP WHICH IS MADE A PART OF THE ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT OF PARCEL 456.02, ANDERSON COUNTY TAX MAP 105D, GROUP A, (APPROXIMATELY 3.29 ACRES) FROM RG-1, RESIDENTIAL, OPEN SPACE AND RESERVED, TO B-2, GENERAL BUSINESS, SAID PARCEL BEING LOCATED ON EAST TULSA ROAD.

Mayor Gooch announced that this item was withdrawn.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 11-2015, WHICH ORDINANCE ADOPTS A BUDGET AND ADOPTS APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015, BY AMENDING SAID APPROPRIATIONS.

Councilmember Hensley moved for adoption, and Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded. The ordinance was unanimously adopted by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Chinn, Hensley, Hope, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Gooch voting "Aye."

Announcements

Councilmember Hensley announced that the Planning Commission has been conducting visioning and mission statement determination sessions, and that this is a good exercise on what the duties of the Planning Commission are since there is a new Chairman and new members.

Scheduling

COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS ITEMS OR FUTURE BRIEFINGS

Mayor Pro Tem Smith requested an update on the election process for the student representatives on City boards and commissions. Councilmember Hope pointed out that applications are currently being advertised for the Youth Advisory Board and that those are usually elected at meetings in June or July. Mayor Pro Tem Smith reminded Council members and city staff that the terms of the student representatives on the Traffic Safety Advisory Board and the Environmental Quality Advisory Board expire June 1st.

Councilmember Hope clarified with the City Manager that there would be discussion of the backyard chicken issue at the April 19th Work Session.

Councilmember Baughn requested that the City look into innovative ways of partnering with community organizations and organizations who have adopted highways in an effort to aid with trash pickup.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

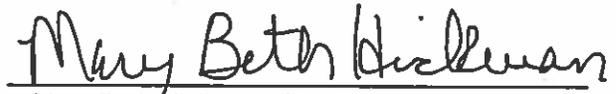
CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mark Watson reported that 1500 applications have been distributed to various organizations for the Extreme Energy Makeover project. He also informed Council members that he has invited all Department of Energy managers to attend the April 19th Work Session to discuss the Department of Energy travel and host policy. Sue Cange will be unable to attend, but he stated that he will follow up to confirm the attendance of the other managers.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

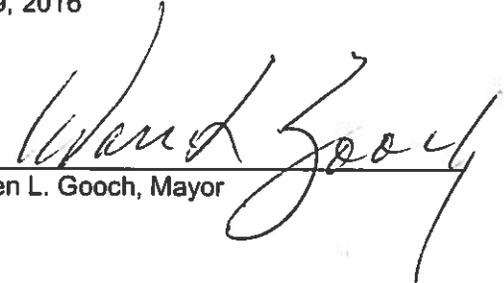
City Attorney Ken Krushenski reminded Council members that May 20th is the first day that petitions can be picked up for the November municipal election. He stated he would put a copy of the election timeline in each of the Council member's mailboxes.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 p.m.



Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
May 9, 2016



Warren L. Gooch, Mayor