

## GALAX CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### Minutes

May 8, 2000

The Galax City Council convened in regular session in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building on May 8, 2000.

City Manager Campbell administered the oath of office to Bill Dickerson who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of John Turbyfill. Mr. Dickerson's term will expire June 30, 2002.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. with the following councilpersons present and they are as listed: Mary Guynn, Willie Greene, C. M. Mitchell, Van McCarter, Odell Hamden and Bill Dickerson. Glenn Wilson was absent from the meeting because of illness.

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

Councilman Hamden motioned to approve the proposed 2000-2001 school budget in the amount of \$8,736,247.00 with the city's share being \$2,820,782.00. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Mitchell outlined the proposed 2000-2001 city budget. Following a discussion on the positives and negatives of funding the recycling center for another year, Councilman McCarter motioned to advertise a public hearing on the city's proposed budget for May 22, 2000. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Discussion on real property tax increase was initiated by Mayor Mitchell.

Councilman McCarter motioned to appoint City Engineer Alderman to the VML environmental policy committee. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Guynn motioned to appoint Councilman Greene to the human development and education VML committee. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Mitchell presented a Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act resolution in which Galax has joined with Carroll and Grayson Counties. Councilman McCarter motioned to approve said resolution as presented. Councilman Greene made a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Dr. Tom Littrell appeared before Council to request a \$500.00 donation to the Boy Scout Troop Great American Race. Geoff Kuhn and Jason Kohl, two scouts going on the trip,

discussed the learning experiences of the trip. Councilwoman Guynn motioned to give the scout troop \$500.00 towards their trip. Councilman McCarter made a second to the motion. Councilman Dickerson commended the troop for undertaking the adventure. The motion was unanimously approved.

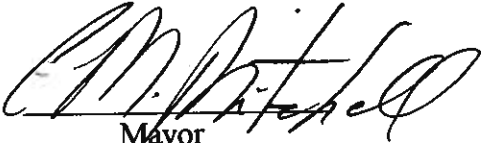
Council members were reminded of the groundbreaking ceremony at Fishers Peak on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Susan Clark, Director of Galax Social Services, was present at tonight's meeting to discuss Adult Abuse Prevention Month and Foster Care.

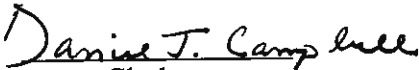
Mayor Mitchell advised that this week has been recognized as *Teacher Appreciation Week* and that teachers should be commended for the work they do.

Councilman McCarter volunteered to serve as council's representative for the Downtown Association. Councilman Hamden motioned to make said appointment. Councilman Greene made a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilman Hamden motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion received a second and unanimous approval at 8:25 p.m.



Mayor



Clerk