

GALAX CITY COUNCIL
Minutes
May 30, 2001

The Galax City Council convened in regular session on May 30, 2001 in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building. The meeting was called to order by the mayor at 7:30pm with the following councilmen present and they are as listed: C. M. Mitchell, Glenn Wilson, Van McCarter, George Valdez, Willie Greene, and Johnny Lemons. *Odell Hamden was absent.

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

City Manager Campbell administered the Oath of Office to George Valdez who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Bill Dickerson who is deceased.

*Councilman Hamden arrived at 7:35pm.

This was the date and time duly advertised for a public hearing on the proposed 2001-2002 City budget. Mayor Mitchell called for comments from the public. There were none and the hearing was closed. Mayor Mitchell expressed his appreciation to the staff for the preparation of the proposed budget.

Zack Kyle presented the recommendations from the Planning Commission relating to two requests for zoning changes.

1. The Commission recommends that the B-2 portion of the Floyd property on East Stuart Drive be enlarged from the R-2 portion to allow for the construction of their building. This will leave a small portion of said property remaining R-2. Councilman Wilson motioned to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation. The motion was seconded. Councilmen Hamden, McCarter, Wilson, Mitchell, Valdez and Greene each tendered a yea vote. Councilman Lemons tendered a nay vote. The motion passed.

2. The Planning Commission recommended that the zoning change request of George and Janie Harper on Calhoun Street be denied. Following a discussion, Councilman Wilson motioned to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion. Councilman Hamden, McCarter, Wilson, Mitchell, and Lemons each offered a yea vote. Councilmen Greene and Valdez abstained. The motion was passed.

Councilman McCarter motioned to appoint Karen Loftin to a term on the Wytheville Community College Board. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion. Councilmen Hamden, McCarter, Mitchell, Greene and Lemons each voted yea. Councilman Valdez abstained.

Following the discussion of an appointment to the Planning

Commission to fill an unexpired term, Councilman Lemons motioned to appoint Julie Gillespie to fill the term. Councilman Greene seconded the motion. Councilmen McCarter, Wilson, Mitchell, Valdez, Greene and Lemons tendered votes of yea. Councilman Hamden abstained. The motion passed.

Councilman Wilson motioned to appoint Greg Atkins to the Workforce Investment Board. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

City Manager Campbell discussed the proposed E-911 Ordinance. He noted that the major change is in the monthly charge. The amount will be increased from \$1.00 to \$1.50. Councilman McCarter motioned to accept this as the first reading of the proposed ordinance. Councilman Hamden seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Wilson motioned to adopt the summer meeting schedule which is one meeting per month unless agenda items dictate a called meeting. Councilman McCarter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammond were recognized as guests and City Manager Campbell noted that Council members had received a letter from the Hammonds concerning the closing of a portion of the T. George Vaughan Street.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:58pm.


Mayor

Daniel J. Campbell
Clerk