

GALAX CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 23, 2005

The Galax City Council convened in regular session on May 23, 2005 in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building. The mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with all councilpersons present and they are as listed: Robert Lazo, Robert Kirby, Sharon Plichta, C. M. Mitchell, Willie Greene, George Valdez and Helen Kyle.

Mrs. Kyle prayed the opening prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Plichta motioned to approve the minutes as written and to dispense with the reading. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

This was the date and time advertised for a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed 2005-06 City Budget. The mayor declared the public hearing open and called for comments. No comments were received and the hearing was closed. He advised that approval of the proposed budget would be an agenda item at the next Council meeting.

Following review of the Ordinance of Vacation for an undeveloped portion of Painter Street and the expressed opposition of several of the adjoining property owners, Councilwoman Plichta motioned to ascertain more information before making a decision. Councilman Kirby offered a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilwoman Plichta motioned to appoint Councilman Valdez, Lee Brackens and Patrick Butler to serve on the Rex Theatre Advisory Committee. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Following a discussion on an appointment to the Wytheville Community College Board, Councilman Lazo suggested that perhaps someone who had expressed interest in serving on the School Board would meet the qualifications for appointment to the College Board. With further consideration, he suggested Susie Garner. Mayor Mitchell stated that he would talk with her to see if she would be willing to serve on said board.

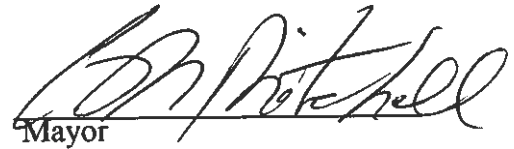
City Attorney Cornwell discussed a proposed amendment to Section 46.6 of the *Code of the City of Galax*. Mr. Cornwell advised that Healing Springs Animal Hospital should be able to solidify their business plans with this amendment.

City Manager Campbell explained the process of amending an ordinance.


Dr. Jenkins' husband stated that the proposed amendment would satisfy their business needs.

Councilwoman Plichta motioned to move forward with the proposed amendment as written. Councilman Lazo seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Lazo motioned to approve Council's summer meeting schedule. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. This schedule calls for one meeting per month (on the second Monday) unless a called meeting is necessary. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:49pm.



Mayor



City Manager