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**WAYNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2009**

Mayor Hammock called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to receive comments from the citizens of Waynesville concerning the ad valorem property tax rates to be established for the current taxable year of 2009. This hearing also complies with the provisions of Section 67.110 RSMo. City Clerk Stinson reported that our assessed valuation for personal property taxes has decreased from the prior year. Following the formula set by the State, our tax rate will increase to \$0.62. A person with a house assessed at \$150,000 would pay an additional \$1.85 per year. There was no one in attendance that wished to speak. The public hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Hammock called the second Public Hearing to order at 6:32 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to consider the voluntary annexation petition by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission. This annexation is for the right-of-way only on Highway H from the City limits to the Fort Leonard Wood boundary. Any adjoining properties will be able to annex into the City. There was no one in attendance that wished to speak. The public hearing was closed at 6:34 p.m.

Mayor Hammock called the Waynesville City Council meeting to order at 6:34 in the City Council Chambers.

Roll Call

On roll call, seven Council members reported present.

Stanford	O'Riley
Hardman	Mann
Conley	Cordry
France	

Councilman McDonald has submitted his resignation as Ward 2 Councilman and was not in attendance.

Invocation

Councilman Conley gave the invocation and Mayor Hammock led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Councilman Hardman made the motion to approve the agenda as written and Councilman Conley seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O'Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

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Approval of Minutes

Councilman Conley made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2009 meeting and Councilman France seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Approval of Bills

Councilman Hardman reported that the Finance Committee had met and reviewed the monthly bills in detail. Councilman Hardman made the motion to approve the payment of the monthly bills and Councilman O’Riley seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Citizens Comments

There was no one in attendance that wished to speak before the City Council.

Board/Commission/Liaison Reports

Park Board

Roger Olney, Park Board President, reported on the August 13th meeting. He reported that we are having a problem with vandalism and asked the public to report anything they observe to the Police Department. Soccer season starts on August 15th with the first game set for September 8th. Stan Porter is the new Recreational Coordinator. The bathroom renovation in the RV Park is going to cost from \$10,000 to \$12,000 plus the work the City employees will be doing. Work on the RV spaces is also scheduled and materials cost will be approximately \$31,000. Park Board also discussed making some changes to the Park Board Ordinance. Those changes would be lowering the number of board members to seven, changing the term of office and better defining the board’s responsibilities. Mr. Olney was advised that the term cannot change since it is set by State Statute.

Proposed Ordinance No. 1438 relating to the Park Board was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman Hardman and seconded by Councilman France.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

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Planning and Zoning

No meeting was held.

Standing Committee Reports

Roads and Grounds

Councilman Stanford reported on the August 6th meeting. Committee members were provided with a breakdown of the priority project updates and also a summary from Jim Fisher of Elgin Surveying concerning storm water issues. Bid date on the GW Lane project has been pushed back to early next year. We are having a problem with ditch erosion in the cemetery; this will be an ongoing maintenance issue. The demolition of the existing building has been completed in preparation of the construction of the new park building. The Old Highway H project has been completed.

Utility

Councilman France reported on the August 4th meeting. Interstate Municipal Gas Agency gave a presentation about their gas management company. The city has sent an appeal to the Federal Regulatory Commission about the natural gas rate increase; we are looking at raising prices to cover this increase in transportation cost. Committee discussed adding some additional staffing and the apprentice lineman program. Committee was updated on the current projects.

Resolution 2009-09 authorizing the filing of an application with the Environmental Protection Agency for a loan under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and authorizing Bruce Harrill to execute and file this application was presented to the City Council in writing. Copies of this resolution had been made available prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. Councilman France made the motion to approve Resolution 2009-09 and Councilman Conley seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France

Nays: 0

A public hearing was held on August 11th to discuss the alternative engineering solutions for the City’s wastewater system improvement project and the environmental impacts of improvements to the City Wastewater Treatment Facility and portions of the collection system to be in compliance with newly-established effluent discharge requirements. Jeff Medows of C.M. Archer Group gave the presentation. A written report was provided to all that attended. Councilman Conley stated that he was surprised at the low attendance.

Proposed Ordinance No. 1436 establishing rates for waste-water services furnished by the City was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. After discussion, some changes were made to the ordinance. In all three sections, the date of the second increase will be March 2010 and the third increase will be

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January 2011. With those changes, the proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Conley.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Finance

Councilman Hardman reported on the August 20th meeting. Committee reviewed the monthly bills, reviewed the budget and discussed adding some steps to the pay grades, direct deposit and the audit.

Proposed Ordinance No. 1437 approving changes to the pay grade classification was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. This change will upgrade the Airport Manager position from a Grade 6 to a Grade 7 and create three new positions; Senior Apprentice Lineman, Grade 5; Senior Journeyman Lineman, Grade 8; and Natural Gas Technician, Grade 4. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman Hardman and seconded by Councilman O’Riley.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Proposed Ordinance No. 1439 approving an agreement between MTFC, MoDot and the City which provides for the terms and conditions of the Direct Loan from the MTFC to the City and for the City’s repayment of the Direct Loan to the MTFC was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. The City’s use of the Direct Loan shall be specifically for the purpose of accelerating the Commission’s portion of a cost share project relocating the GW Lane Outer Road that currently runs parallel to I-44. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Conley.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Proposed Ordinance No. 1440 approving a promissory note with the Missouri Transportation Finance Corporation in the amount of \$1,017,440 was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. This note carries an interest rate of 1.02%. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman Cordry and seconded by Councilman Mann.

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Nays: 0

Proposed Ordinance No. 1442 authorizing a lease/purchase financing agreement between the City and the Bank of Crocker for acquisition of a 2008 Sterling Bullet Bucket Truck for the Electric Department was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. This agreement is for three years at a rate of 4% with payments being made semi-annually. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman Hardman and seconded by Councilman France.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France

Nays: 0

Police

Councilman Conley reported on the August 6th meeting. Committee reviewed a proposed liquor control ordinance; more work is still needed. A resident asked about why the manholes were so low on the Business Route and was informed that MoDot is getting ready to pave and at that time, the City will revise the manhole to meet the height of the pavement. He also asked about making Bates a one-way street since you cannot see approaching traffic from the east. He was told he would need the neighbors to sign a petition and the matter will be looked into. Another citizen reported that there has been repeated stealing at her husband’s gravesite and wanted to know if we could do anything about it. She was informed that we do not have the finances to fence it but we have the Police do some extra patrols. Committee was updated on grants and the Police Department’s SOP. School will be starting on August 13th, please slow down and watch the children.

Joint Airport

There was no meeting held. Committee will be meeting with an architect on Friday, August 21st.

Economic Development

Councilman Hardman reported on the August 4th meeting. Committee was introduced to Wayne Morgan, the new Pulaski County Economic Developer. Stephanie Nutt, President of the Old Stage Coach Stop, explained the Smithsonian on Main Street which is a traveling exhibit designed for rural communities. It will be in Waynesville October 2 through November 13, 2010; volunteers will be needed to help with the events. Virgie Mahan talked about possibly hosting a “Sippin on the Square” event similar to the one she attended in St. James. Wineries set up tasting booths at different locations; food booths would be there and the local businesses would be open. The event should attract people to the downtown. Some of the economic development goals were presented to the committee.

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Communications

No meeting was held.

Other Business

- a. James McDonald submitted his resignation as City Councilman for Ward 2 to be able to take a position with the City as Building Official.
- b. Proposed Ordinance No. 1432 approving a settlement agreement with AT&T/SBC Landline was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. Our share of the settlement is \$318.64. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Hardman.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

- c. Proposed Ordinance No. 1433 fixing the ad valorem property tax rates for 2009 was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Mann.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

- d. Proposed Ordinance No. 1434 approving form of agreement with Elgin Surveying for execution of contract for Safe Route to School Phase 2 was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. This is for sidewalks from Fleetwood to Morgan Street. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman France and seconded by Councilman Stanford.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

- e. Proposed Ordinance No. 1435 establishing procedures for disclosure of conflicts of interest was presented as a bill and introduced to the City Council in writing. This ordinance must be passed every two years and sent to the Ethics Commission. It was noted that copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available to public inspection prior to the time of this meeting of the City Council. The proposed ordinance was read

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by title two times and its final passage and adoption was moved by Councilman Conley and seconded by Councilman Mann.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Appointments

- a. Mayor Hammock submitted the name of James “Mitch” McDonald to be appointed to the position of Building Official for the City of Waynesville. Councilman France made the motion to approve the appointment and Councilman Conley seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

- b. Mayor Hammock submitted the name of Perry Roberts to be appointed to the position of Councilman of Ward 2 with a term of office to expire April 2010. At the present time, he is in Texas and was not able to be at tonight’s meeting. As no bio was provided, some background information was given. He will be sworn in at next month’s meeting. Councilman Hardman made the motion to approve the appointment and Councilman Stanford seconded the motion.

Yeas: 6 – O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0
Abstain: 1 – Stanford

City Administrator Report

City Administrator Harrill reported that he had provided a written report for the Council. He provided information on the budget, our audit, construction for the year, the increase in utility meters and on-going projects. Waynesville/St. Robert Aviation was recognized as the Fixed Base Operator of the Week by AVweb.com. Lesa Helm was recognized by an Asst. State’s Attorney in Illinois for her professionalism in helping him resolve an issue involving identity theft.

The City is also looking at making a change to our Lagers plan. We are currently in the LT-8(65) plan and want to change to the LT-14(65) plan effective November 1, 2009. To make this change, we must make this information public at least 45 days prior to the plan’s effective date. An employee that has been with the City for 25 years and has a final average salary of \$2,500 a month would receive \$1,250 per month until age 65 and then \$938 from that point on under our current plan. Under the new plan, at age 65, the employee would get \$1,094 or an increase of \$156 per month. This will be a large benefit to our employees at retirement. Complete information is available in the City Clerk’s office. This change has been included in our current year’s budget.

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Council Comments

- a. France – Will miss Mitch on the City Council but feel he will be a major asset to the Building Department. He welcomes Mr. Roberts. He is available to the residents if they have any concerns. Hopes the residents of Old Farm Estates have seen the new fire hydrants. Be patient about the street lights.
- b. Cordry – Wish all well.
- c. Conley – Glad to see that the Water District and the City is working well together. Stop at the newly remodeled Library; take a look at it. The Renovations are marvelous.
- d. Mann – nothing
- e. Hardman – Farmer’s Market is still operational. Had the first Trail of Tears tour last week. Working hard on the bridge project.
- f. O’Riley – Thanked Mitch McDonald for his service. Thanked Virgie Mahan and Stephanie Nutt for their work in promoting Waynesville.
- g. Stanford – nothing
- h. Hammock – We are working to make our community better and so is Fort Leonard Wood.

Thank You

Mayor Hammock presented a plaque to Dave McFarland for donating the land for the City Park in the Summit Subdivision. The entire City appreciates his community service and all he is doing to market our City.

Executive Session

At 7:54 p.m., Councilman Hardman made the motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of legal and real estate. She asked that the Mayor, City Council, City Counselor, City Administrator, City Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Executive Assistant remain. Councilman Mann seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

At 8:59 p.m., Councilman Hardman made the motion to come out of Executive Session and Councilman O’Riley seconded the motion.

Yeas: 7 – Stanford, O’Riley, Hardman, Mann, Conley, Cordry, France
Nays: 0

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Hammock adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

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