

REGULAR MEETING

LOUDON CITY COUNCIL

November 16, 2009

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on November 16, 2009 in the Council Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Those present were Vice-mayor Eugene Lambert, Councilmen Mike Cartwright, Lewis Garner, and Lynn Millsaps. Mayor Bernie Swiney was absent. Also present were City Manager Lynn Mills, City Attorney Edwin Arnold and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. The press was not represented. Stephanie Smullen videotaped the meeting for LCTV3. There were approximately seven citizens present.

Reverend Jon Henson held the invocation. Councilman Cartwright led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Vice-mayor Lambert asked if council members had a chance to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 19, 2009. **A motion was made by Councilman Garner, seconded by Councilman Cartwright and unanimously passed to approve as written the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 19, 2009.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase on November 4, 2009 of gasoline and diesel fuel from the low bidder, Sweetwater Valley Oil Co. (\$2.0774 per gallon for unleaded plus gasoline and \$2.0974 per gallon for diesel fuel). **A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Cartwright and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel from Sweetwater Valley Oil Co. (\$2.0774 per gallon for unleaded plus gasoline and \$2.0974 per gallon for diesel fuel).**

Vice-mayor Lambert welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone had anything to bring before council that did not appear on the agenda. He recognized Mr. John Mayes.

Mr. Mayes said he was there to thank the City of Loudon and the Loudon Fire Department for pulling him out of the Tennessee River. He explained that recently he was driving his boat from Knoxville to Spring City when he hit a rock and could go no further. He had called his friend, Mel Hines who is a Loudon resident, to see if he knew anyone with a boat who could give him a tow when he noticed the boat filling with water. Mr. Hines told him to call 911. Within minutes firefighters Travis (Gray) and Eddie (Williams) were there to rescue him. About a minute after they got him off of the boat, it popped up and capsized. They continued to wrestle with his boat for about two hours until a tow boat could get there.

He said they took very good care of him. He added that it is hard to believe that a small city could have such good rescue equipment and professional firefighters. He said he was very impressed.

Vice-mayor Lambert thanked him for his kind words of gratitude, and appreciated his coming to the meeting to tell them about the incident.

Vice-mayor Lambert presented an ordinance to close a section of Pecan Street between Steekee Street and the alley northwest of Steekee Street as a public street. A motion was made by Councilman Cartwright, seconded by Councilman Millsaps that the following ordinance be passed on final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-10

CLOSING OF A SECTION OF PECAN STREET BETWEEN STEEKEE STREET AND THE ALLEY NORTHWEST OF STEEKEE STREET AS A PUBLIC STREET PURSUANT TO TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED §6-2-201

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Cartwright, Millsaps, Garner and Lambert. Vice-mayor Lambert declared the ordinance passed on second and final reading.

Vice-mayor Lambert stated that during the public hearing it was recommended that the following ordinance be discussed more before final passage. **A motion was made by Councilman Garner, seconded by Councilman Cartwright that the following ordinance be referred back to workshop for further discussion:**

**AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING GRASS CLIPPINGS
IN RELATION TO REFUSE COLLECTION AND STREET OBSTRUCTIONS**

Upon a vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Vice-mayor Lambert presented an ordinance to terminate the Loudon County Metro Narcotics Unit. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Cartwright that the following ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-11

**TERMINATING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT
OF A LOUDON COUNTY METRO NARCOTICS UNIT**

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Millsaps, Cartwright, Garner and Lambert. Vice-mayor Lambert declared the ordinance passed on second and final reading.

Vice-mayor Lambert presented an ordinance amending ordinance 2009-09 prohibiting parking on a section of Main Street. He said the original ordinance stated south instead of north of the property line of 1207 Main Street. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Garner that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

**AMENDING ORDINANCE 2009-09 TO PROHIBIT PARKING
ON A SECTION OF MAIN STREET**

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Millsaps, Garner, Cartwright and Lambert. Vice-mayor Lambert declared the ordinance passed on first reading. He called for a public hearing to be held at 7:15 P.M. on December 21, 2009.

Council considered an intergovernmental agreement to continue the planning and community development department. After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Cartwright that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

**APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT CONTINUING
THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Millsaps, Cartwright, Garner and Lambert. Vice-mayor Lambert declared the ordinance passed on first reading. He called for a public hearing to be held at 7:25 P.M. on December 21, 2009.

Council considered a resolution approving the sale of property located on Grove Street (Tax Map 41G, Group A, Parcel 10.00) to Mr. Tom Roberts for \$750. Vice-mayor Lambert said Mr. Roberts had agreed not to build any permanent structure on the parcel. He instructed Attorney Arnold to include the restriction in the deed. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Garner that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-35

**APPROVING THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY
ON GROVE STREET TO MR. TOM ROBERTS**

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Vice-mayor Lambert presented a resolution to approve a supplemental charge of \$5,800 for the construction of the handicap ramp at the Williamson House. He asked if council wanted to approve the additional cost or rebid the

project. Councilman Millsaps stated that an error or omission in the bid specs caused the problem. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Cartwright that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-36

APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL CHARGE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HANDICAP RAMP AT THE WILLIAMSON HOUSE

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously approved.

Manager Mills distributed bids for the youth basketball and baseball/softball uniforms. He explained that only one bid was received. It was from Integriteez by Innovative Design. The bids were on a per item basis and could potentially exceed \$5,000 depending on the number of participants in the programs, but the participants pay for the items when they register. **A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman Cartwright and unanimously passed to purchase the uniform items for the youth basketball and baseball/softball programs from Integriteez by Innovative Design as follows:**

Shirts	Per Item Cost \$7.75	Brand Jerzee
Pants	Per Item Cost \$8.25 Adult; \$7.50 Youth	Brand Sofee
Shorts	Per Item Cost \$8.50 Adult; \$7.00	Brand Generic
Caps	Per Item Cost \$6.50 MLB.	

There being no further business, Vice-mayor Lambert adjourned the meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Recorder

Mayor