

REGULAR MEETING

LOUDON CITY COUNCIL

July 15, 2013

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on July 15, 2013 in the Council Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Judy Keller, Council Members Mike Cartwright, Judy Jones, Lynn Millsaps and Jimmy Parks. Also present were City Attorney Joe Ford, City Manager Lynn Mills and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. The press was represented by Vicky Newman with the *Loudon County News Herald*. Stephanie Smallen video recorded the meeting for LCTV3. There were seven people present.

Mayor Keller held the invocation. Councilmember Millsaps led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Keller asked if council members had a chance to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 17, 2013. **A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Jones and unanimously passed to approve as written the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 17, 2013.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase of gasoline (\$3.099 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.951 per gallon) on June 13, 2013 from the low bidder Sweetwater Valley Oil Company. **A motion was made by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Millsaps and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase of gasoline (\$3.099 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.951 per gallon) on June 13, 2013 from Sweetwater Valley Oil Company.**

Mayor Keller recognized the visitors and asked if anyone had anything to bring before council that did not appear on the agenda. There was no response.

Mayor Keller presented an ordinance for second and final reading to set the tax rate for tax year 2013 at \$1.1767 per \$100 of assessed value. A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Jones that the following ordinance be passed on final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-07

SETTING TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2013

Upon a vote the AYES were: Millsaps, Jones, Cartwright, Parks and Keller. There were no NAY votes. Mayor Keller declared the ordinance passed on second and final reading.

Mayor Keller presented an ordinance for final reading to continue the agreement with Loudon County pertaining to the Planning and Community Development Department.

Manager Mills provided information to council regarding the feasibility of the city hiring its own planner. He said that he felt it was in the best interest of the city to continue to contract with the county for planning services for the present time.

A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks that the following ordinance be passed on final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-08

APPROVING AMENDMENT FOUR TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT CONTINUING THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Cartwright, Parks, Jones, Millsaps and Keller. There were no NAYS votes. Mayor Keller declared the ordinance passed on second and final reading.

Manager Mills recommended setting up meetings possibly every other month with interested council members, Planner Newman and maybe some planning commission members to address any issues.

Planner Newman agreed that Manager Mills' recommendation could improve communications between all parties.

Mayor Keller presented a resolution approving the paving of Hampton Place Subdivision by Patty Construction for \$36,000. A quote was also received from Rogers Group, Inc. for \$37,790.00. The paving will be paid from proceeds of the surety bond settlement from Cincinnati Insurance. A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Parks to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-26

APPROVING THE PAVING OF HAMPTON PLACE SUBDIVISION

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Mayor Keller presented a resolution approving the installation of seven ornamental street lights in Hampton Place Subdivision for approximately \$4,000. The lights will be paid from proceeds of the surety bond settlement from Cincinnati Insurance. A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-27

APPROVING THE STREET LIGHTING IN HAMPTON PLACE SUBDIVISION

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Mayor Keller presented a resolution authorizing the purchase of benches and trash receptacles for the downtown courthouse square area from Howlett Equipment Company for \$9,214.00. Other bids received were: ULINE - \$4,525.00; Barco Products - \$9,047.72; Kirby Built Quality Products - \$9,047.72. Manager Mills recommended Howlett Equipment Company so the new benches and receptacles would match the existing equipment in the area. A motion was made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Cartwright that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-28

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BENCHES AND TRASH RECEPTACLES FOR THE DOWNTOWN COURTHOUSE SQUARE AREA

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Mayor Keller presented a resolution approving the paving of sections of Main Street and Grove Street by Rogers Group, Inc. for \$64,500. A quote was also received from Patty Construction, Inc. for \$69,000.00. A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Parks that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-29

APPROVING THE PAVING OF SECTIONS OF MAIN STREET AND GROVE STREET

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Mayor Keller recommended the reappointment of Jessaca Gammons to the Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC). She also recommended the following appointments to the RAC: Chip Lynn (replacing Jeff Trout), Kent Russell (replacing Brian Jenkins) and Santiago Correa (replacing Darryl Tuck). **A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks and unanimously passed to reappoint Jessaca Gammons (term expires 6/30/2016) and to appoint Chip Lynn (term expires 6/30/2014), Kent Russell (term expires 6/30/2015) and Santiago Correa (term expires 6/30/2016) to the Recreation Advisory Committee.**

Manager Mills said that Police Chief Webb was requesting authorization to purchase from the Drug Fund a 2013 Dodge Charger for \$21,473 plus approximately \$7,000 in additional equipment. He said the 2014 model would be more expensive. A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-30

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2013 DODGE CHARGER
FROM SECRET CITY CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP**

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

There being no further business, Mayor Keller adjourned the meeting at 8:17 P.M.

Recorder

Mayor