

## REGULAR MEETING

### LOUDON CITY COUNCIL

December 15, 2014

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on December 15, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Meeting Room. Those present were: Mayor Jim Greenway, Councilmen: Jeff Harris, Johnny James and Lynn Millsaps. Also present were City Manager Lynn Mills, City Attorney Joe Ford and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. Stephanie Smallen video recorded the meeting for LCTV3. The press was represented by Katherine Fernandez with the *Loudon County News Herald*. There were twenty-one people present.

Councilman Harris held the invocation. Members of the Loudon High School football team led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Greenway asked if council members had a chance to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 17, 2014. **A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James and unanimously passed to approve as written, the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 17, 2014.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase of gasoline (\$2.2393 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.6509 per gallon) on November 18, 2014 from Rogers Petroleum. **A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase from Rogers Petroleum of gasoline (\$2.2393 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.6509 per gallon) on November 18, 2014.**

Mayor Greenway 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 Greenway presented an ordinance for second reading to amend the 2014-2015 Budget. Manager Mills explained the amendments included reallocating \$50,000 from the Courthouse Square Residential Grants line item to Other Downtown Improvements; \$10,250 for the special election and creating a project fund for the 2014 Capital Outlay Note proceeds and expenditures. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Millsaps that the following ordinance be passed on final reading:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2014-14

##### AMENDING THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Upon a vote, the AYES were: Harris, Millsaps, James and Greenway. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on second and final reading.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution commending the 2014 Loudon High School football team and proclaiming the week beginning December 15, to be "Redskin Week." A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Millsaps that the following resolution be passed:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2014-49

##### COMMENDING THE 2014 LOUDON HIGH SCHOOL REDSKINS FOOTBALL TEAM

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed. Mayor Greenway read the proclamation and presented a plaque to the coaches and team members.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing the purchase of a 2014 Dodge Ram 4X4 truck from Secret City Chrysler Jeep in the amount of \$23,514 plus additional equipment in the amount of \$5,055 for the police department. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-50**

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2014 DODGE RAM 4X4  
FROM SECRET CITY CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing the removal of trees on Mulberry Street in Liberty Park near the swimming pool. Manager Mills explained that quotes for tree cutting were received from Brewster's Service Group - \$900; Russell's Tree Service - \$1,200; and Superior Tree Service - \$3,150. Quotes for stump grinding were received from Brewster's Service Group - \$450 and Russell's Tree Service - \$600. Manager Mills said the trees would only be taken down. Individuals would be able to cut them up for firewood. He recommended Brewster's Service Group be selected for a total of \$1,350.

Councilman Harris questioned the city's liability if the public was allowed to cut up the trees. Attorney Ford recommended having a release signed prior to allowing anyone to cut the trees for firewood. He told Recreation Director Harrell he would prepare a release document.

A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be passed:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-51**

**AUTHORIZING TREE REMOVAL AT LIBERTY PARK**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

**Mayor Greenway recommended Judy Jones be appointed to the Planning Commission replacing Kimberly Roberts with the term expiring June 30, 2018. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

**Mayor Greenway recommended Tommy Nicholson be appointed to the Civil Service Board replacing Jim Thomason with the term expiring July 31, 2018. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

**Mayor Greenway recommended Lynda Randolph be appointed to the Housing Authority Board replacing Carol Everett with the term expiring December 15, 2019. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

**Mayor Greenway recommended the re-appointment of John Cobb to the Blair Bend Industrial Park Committee with the term expiring December, 2018. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

**Mayor Greenway recommended Patti Wells to the Loudon County Visitors' Bureau replacing Lynda Randolph. The term runs concurrent with her position as the executive director of the Loudon Merchants and Property Owners Association. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

**Mayor Greenway recommended the re-appointment of Lynn Mills to the Loudon Cable Television Authority with the term expiring December 31, 2017. Upon a vote the appointment was unanimously approved.**

Many positive comments from members of council and the audience were made regarding the successful parade and Christmas in Olde Loudon celebration. Recreation Director Harrell thanked everyone for their support. He said it took the whole city and the utilities to put on the events. He added that they start decorating right after Halloween.

There was a short discussion about a building permit report.

There being no further business, Mayor Greenway adjourned the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

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Recorder

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Mayor