GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

May 6, 2013 - 5:34 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT

Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables. City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant to City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City/County Planner Chris Hudson; City Attorney Tripp Padgett; Jacob Lethco of GwdToday.com and Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting in the Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:34 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

City Councilor Linda Edwards gave the invocation.

QUORUM AND STATEMENT

Mayor Adams read the following statement, “In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, an agenda has been posted on the front door of City Hall and notification of this meeting has been given to the news media.”

City Clerk Steffanie Dorn stated that there was a quorum present.
CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 13-011 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning a 0.33 Acre Parcel of Land Located at 202 Beadle Avenue from R7 (High Density Residential) to RM7 (High Density Residential Manufactured Housing) (1st reading)

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the rezoning request to allow manufactured housing at 202 Beadle Avenue. It was tabled at the April 15th City Council Meeting.

No one spoke against the proposed ordinance.

Priscilla Gaskin Townes of 1839 Fort Valley Drive, Atlanta, GA, and owner of this property, spoke in favor of the request. She asked permission for a manufactured home to be placed on the site as a secondary residence when she visits family and friends in Greenwood.

Councilor Betty Boles stated that she spoke with the neighbors and they didn’t have a problem with manufactured housing being placed there. She then inquired if the owner plans to live at the residence. Ms. Gaskin stated that it will be just for her and her children and has no desire to rent it.

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire inquired if any type of manufactured housing will be allowed. City Manager Barrineau stated that it must meet the restrictions and distributed copies of similar manufactured houses.

A motion to approve the rezoning request at 202 Beadle Avenue was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

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Ordinance No. 13-013 Annexing Property Owned by W. Howard Corley, As Successor Trustee of Trust under the Will of Eugene F. Hinton Dated August 4, 1973 and Also as Successor Trustee of Trust under the Will of Mollie C. Hinton Dated September 11, 1973 on By-Pass 72 NW and Identified as Greenwood County Tax ID Number 6846-129-545.

(1st reading)

Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed annexing the property owned by W. Howard Corley that is associated with Project Seminole. This will be the first step in the process for the retail development.

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Wiltshire that Advanced Auto is already annexed into the City.

Motion to approve the annexation was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

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Ordinance No. 13-014 Authorizing Closure of Ivan Court and Hynton Court.

(1st reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau stated that the closure of Ivan and Hynton Courts are associated with Project Seminole. The developer requests the City to deed the two roads back to be used as an internal road for the retail development.

Motion to approve the road closures was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Acceptance of FEMA Grant No. EMW-2012-FV-03790.

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Acceptance of FEMA Grant No. EMW-2012-FO-06811.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized City Fire Chief Terry Strange to discuss two requests to accept the FEMA grants. Fire Chief Strange stated that receiving two grants in one year is unprecedented because of the competition with other fire departments in the United States. He then recognized Robbie Stevenson and Franklin Cloninger for their efforts in writing and submitting the requests.

The first grant, EMW-2012-FV-03790, is for an Emergency Hazard Response Vehicle. The City of Greenwood Fire Department has the only tech certified, full hazmat group within three counties and, currently, the equipment is on a trailer. The $475,000 for a new hazmat rescue truck requires a 10% match.

The second grant, EMW-2012-FO-06811, is for $265,000 to replace the 34 older air packs that no longer meet safety standards. City Fire Chief Strange stated that both requests are for items that were going to be replaced anyway. Using grant money will ease the financial burden.

City Manager Barrineau stated that the total match for both grants is $73,100 that can be used from the Capital fund.

Motion to accept both FEMA Grants with a $73,000 match was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Johnny Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

To Accept LLEBG Award 2012-DJ-BX-0772.

City Manager Charles Barrineau stated that this grant award of $25,181 was given to the City Police Department last year and it doesn’t require a match. A number of items the Police Department wants to purchase include an infrared radar, three in-car video cameras, and one law enforcement mapper that is used to draw traffic accidents for jury presentations.

Councilor Boles inquired if the equipment will be for just one car. City Manager Barrineau stated that it will be used for the SWAT Team.
The Mapping equipment can float between officers.

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Wiltshire that the award has already been given, but City Council must accept it.

A motion to accept the LLEBG Award was made by Ronnie Ables, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

City Manager Charles Barrineau requested Council to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter before the work session.

A motion to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting into Executive Session at 5:54 p.m.

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer