

**City of Fayetteville
Mayor and City Council
Work Session/Voting Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2016**

Call to Order

The Mayor and City Council of Fayetteville met in regular session on March 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Edward Johnson called the meeting to order, followed by Opening Prayer by Councilmember Scott Stacy, and then led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present were: Harlan Shirley, Kathaleen Brewer, Paul Oddo, Scott Stacy, and James Williams. Staff members present were City Manager Ray Gibson and City Clerk Anne Barksdale.

Oddo moved to approve the agenda as presented. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Stacy moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 18, 2016. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions and Presentations:

Mayor Johnson, along with Assistant Finance Director Carleetha Talmadge presented and congratulated Karen Austin with her CVIOG Level 1 Finance Certification.

Mayor Johnson called on Miss Logan Shanks, Bennett's Mill Middle School to read her essay for Black History Month.

Mayor Johnson called on Miss Lindsey George, Bennett's Mill Middle School to recite her poem for Black History Month.

Public Hearings:

Mayor Johnson called Consider Ordinance #0-1-16 – Amendment to Health Rules and Regulations – 2nd Reading.

Alan Jones, Assistant City Manager stated Fayetteville's Health and Sanitation Ordinance adopts the Rules and Regulations of the Fayette County Board of Health and assigns primary enforcement of those rules to that agency. The Fayette County Board of Health has requested the attached ordinance

amendments to ensure the City has properly adopted the appropriate State regulations to permit such enforcement.

These revisions are contained in Article V – Health Rules and Regulations. There are State Code reference updates in Sec. 58-126 – Tourist Accommodations and Sec. 58-128 – Food Service. There are two new sections requested to adopt State Codes governing On-Site Sewage Management Systems and Portable Sanitation Contractors.

We are requesting repeal of Sec. 58-127 – Personal Care Homes, Sec. 58-129 – Detention Facility, Sec. 58.130 – X-Ray, Sec. 58-131 – Environmental Health, and Sec. 58-132 – Laser Radiation. These items are no longer enforced locally or are otherwise no longer valid.

Staff recommends approval of these ordinance amendments.

Robert Kurbes, Environmental Health County Manager discussed the ordinance amendment and answered questions from Council.

There were no public comments.

Shirley moved to approve Ordinance #0-1-16 – Amendment to Health Rules and Regulations. Stacy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson called Consider Ordinance #0-2-16 – Amendment of Collection/Payment of Fees for Fayette County Board of Health – 2nd Reading.

Alan Jones, Assistant City Manager stated Fayetteville’s Health and Sanitation Ordinance adopts the Rules and Regulations of the Fayette County Board of Health and assigns primary enforcement of those rules to that agency. The Fayette County Board of Health has requested the attached ordinance amendment to assist in the timelier collection of annual fees from area businesses (such as restaurants). Currently, the department is only authorized to issue written notice of late or unpaid fees, and must request that the State Board of Health suspend any permits for non-payment.

He added the proposed ordinance would allow enforcement at the local level in the local courts. The ordinance was unanimously approved by the Fayette County Board of Commissioners on December 12, 2015. Similar adoption is required in the municipalities for enforcement within each jurisdiction.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance amendment.

Robert Kurbes, Environmental Health County Manager discussed this ordinance amendment as well.

There were no public comments.

Stacy moved to approve Ordinance #0-2-16 – Amendment of Collection/Payment of Fees for Fayette County Board of Health. Oddo seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Voting Items:

Mayor Johnson called Consider Elevation Review: Heartis Senior Living.

Brian Wismer, Director of Community Development stated, in December 2015, City Council reviewed the rezoning request from Caddis Healthcare for the HEARTIS Senior Living development proposed at 936 West Lanier Avenue. Council approved the rezoning with the condition that final elevations be reviewed and approved by City Council, following approval of Development Plans by the Planning & Zoning Commission.

He added, on February 23, 2016 the P&Z Commission reviewed and approved development plans (including elevations) as submitted, so the elevations are now being presented for Council review. The earlier feedback from Council has been incorporated into the revised elevations. Some of those changes include decorative chimney and eave additions, wrought iron style patio fencing, and color/material selections to blend with existing Fayetteville architecture.

He said Staff recommends approval of the elevations as submitted.

Ms. Katie Newman, project coordinator, was available to answer questions from Council.

Oddo moved to approve Elevation Review for Heartis Senior Living. Brewer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson called Consider Bid Award: Wastewater Plant EQ Basin Liner Replacement.

Chris Hindman, Public Services Director stated Staff has reviewed the bids that were received on January 14th for the Wastewater Plant Equalization Basin Liner Replacement project. The project consists of removing and disposing of approximately 121,000 square feet of existing polypropylene geomembrane liner, redressing the pond bottom and side slopes, and installing approximately 121,000 square feet of new 80 mil High Density Polyethylene liner. The existing liner was installed in 2007 as part of the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade and is at the end of its expected life span.

He said Staff recommends Bid Award to Lakeshore Engineering, in the amount of \$265,000.00. If approved the project will be paid out of the operations budget of the sewer fund.

Shirley moved to award the bid for Wastewater Plant EQ Basin Liner Replacement to Lakeshore Engineering, in the amount of \$265,000.00. Stacy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson called Consider R-2-16 – Fayette County High School Flood Mitigation Project Engineering Services.

Chris Hindman, Public Services Director stated Staff recommends that Council approve Resolution R-2-16 for the approval of Engineering Services needed to be performed in order to design and construct the damaged and clogged stormwater pipe which has caused flooding issues at Fayette County High School. He said this project is included in the GEFA Stormwater loan in the amount of \$375,000. The resolution authorizes the City Manager to sign the Task Order Form from our Engineering Consultant to perform the necessary engineering.

Stacy moved to approve R-2-16 – Fayette County High School Flood Mitigation Project Engineering Services. Shirley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson called Consider R-3-16 – Request to Donate Funds to the Fayette Forward Event to take place on Monday, March 7, 2016 at Pinewood Studios.

Ray Gibson, City Manager stated through a recent national study of 1,800 U.S. Counties, Fayette County has the highest rate of departing millennials. Given this latest survey, County leaders got together, led by Chick-Fil-A CEO Dan Cathy, to put together an event to discuss this very important issue. The event will take place on Monday, March 7, 2016 and will include various presentations as follows:

- Planning Growth for the Millennials
- What Moves Millennials?
- Seaside as a Model
- New Generations
- Creating a Sense of Place
- Economic Development in Fayette County
- Daring to Dream: How Fayette County Can Move Forward/ The Politicians Wish List
- Special Guest Motivational Speaker Andy Andrews

He added, the towns of Brooks and Tyrone have both recently donated \$1,000.00 to this event as the main donations of around \$40K to \$50K have come from the business community. We are requesting consideration to donate \$1,000.00 to this event, which we have not previously budgeted for.

Shirley moved to approve R-3-16 – Request to Donate Funds to the Fayette Forward Event on March 7, 2016 at Pinewood Studios. Oddo seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Johnson called Consider Approval of Surplus Items for Public Works.

Anne Barksdale, City Clerk stated Public Works has accumulated over 700 old and damaged street posts and varied types of street signs that they want to take to Sweet Returns Recycling Center. The recycling center will then issue a check to the City of Fayetteville.

Brewer moved to approve Surplus Items from Public Works to be sold at Sweet Returns Recycling Center. Shirley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items:

- Angela Chapman: Drainage Issues at 335 Bates Avenue – Staff and Council discussed timeline for study of drainage complaint and property and agreed to keep Ms. Chapman informed of progress.
- Robert Muller's Proposal and Conceptual Site Plan for Apartment Complex located on Highway 54 West across from Piedmont-Fayette Hospital – Mr. Muller was not present to present. Brian Wismer presented plan. Council suggested plan should be for middle and high income apartments and would like to bring developer in for more discussions on detail before rezoning application.
- Fire Department ISO Report: Chief Alan Jones discussed the report and the concerns related to it. We improved on our rating, going from a 4 to a 3; he would like to follow up on some of the areas scored.
- Safer Grant: Letter of Support – Chief Alan Jones asked for Council's approval to move forward with letter of support for the Safer Grant, explaining that he would be asking for nine additional personnel.
- Historic Home Relocation: 210 South Jeff Davis – Brian Wismer stated a demo permit has been applied for this house which is in disrepair and is toxic because of bat infestation. He discussed relocating this home to the Mae Harp Pocket Park location, stating plans would be to renovate for a B&B. Consensus by Council was to proceed with demolition because of the damage done by the bats.
- Downtown Master Plan Update – Brian Wismer stated we had a positive Town Hall meeting last week to discuss the master plan and received lots of good ideas and feedback. Our next Town Hall meeting to discuss the master plan will be March 24th. Fayette Senior Services will host a meeting on the same topic on March 14th at 2:00pm. The Sam's property is being considered in this discussion.
- Racetrac Rezoning Request at Veteran's Parkway/Highway 54 West – Brian Wismer stated we need approval from the County to build a curb cut. Not positive this will go through.
- Update of Financial Software and 2017 Budget – Mike Bush discussed timeline on Financial Software updates and gave overview of 2017 Budget.
- The Ridge Nature Area: Next Steps – Ray Gibson asked Council how they want to proceed with Southern Conservation Trust, The Nature Area and input from Dennis Chase. It was agreed to let Councilman Jim Williams chair a committee to present an action plan to

Council. Mr. Gibson stated there is supposed to be a representative from City Council on the SCT board.

- SPLOST Citizen Advisory Committee for the City of Fayetteville – Ray Gibson stated this committee would promote and sell ideas to the community for the SPLOST (plan for next five years). He asked Council to appoint a citizen by the next council meeting to be on the committee.
- Council Q&A – Councilmember Kathaleen Brewer said she would like to see more marketing of the downtown area; maybe hire a professional marketing team.
- Ray Gibson stated the Council Retreat is set for March 11th from 7:30 – 5:00pm at the Old Fayette County Courthouse location. Agendas will be ready soon.

Public Comments:

Resident Greg Clifton commented that he was against the Racetrac Gas Station locating on Highway 54 West at Veteran’s Parkway and asked Council to strongly consider the application before making a decision.

Mayor’s Comments:

Mayor Johnson said from now on work sessions will begin at 6:00pm and will continue to be on the first Thursday of each month.

Oddo moved to adjourn the meeting. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Barksdale, City Clerk