

The Regular August Meeting of Danville City Council convened on the above date at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers located on the Fourth floor of the Municipal Building. The following Council Members were present: L. G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., John B. Gilstrap, Alonzo L. Jones, Vice-Mayor T. David Luther, Gary P. Miller, Mayor Sherman M. Saunders, Fred O. Shanks III and Adam J. Tomer (8). Albert K. "Buddy" Rawley Jr. was absent (1).

Staff members present were City Manager Joseph C. King, City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield Jr., and City Clerk Annette Y. Crane.

Department/Division Directors present were Transportation Services Director Marc Adelman, Planning Associate Renee' Blair, Emergency Services Director Buster Brown, Finance Director Barbara Dameron, Public Works Director Ric Drazenovich, Interim Community Development/Planning Director Kenny Gillie, Broadband Manager Jason Grey, Housing and Development Director Dianne Morris, Utilities Director RB Sloan and Economic Development Director Jeremy Stratton.

Mayor Saunders presided.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Vice-Mayor David Luther offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Miller introduced and extended a warm Danville welcome to Windsbach, Germany City Council Member Norman Blevins. Mr. Blevins has been a Council Member there since 2002. He is a member of the Christian Socialist Party in Germany and leader of the loyal opposition. Dr. and Mrs. Miller had visited with Mr. Blevins during their trip to Germany in June and had invited Mr. Blevins to visit Council on his next trip to Danville. Mr. Blevins had told Dr. Miller that he was very interested in promoting German-American relations and Dr. Miller invited Mr. Blevins to comment.

Mr. Blevins said he was happy to be back in the City and was honored to speak before City Council. He expressed appreciation to Dr. Miller for visiting Windsbach. Mr. Blevins stated that he was a Council Member and also the founding president of the German-American Society in the western part of his district. The organization represents about thirteen communities and hopes to get Danville to be its first partner in the United States. He stated a gateway function in both Bavaria and in Virginia would help to initiate such a partnership. Mr. Blevins distributed information about the business region there and presented pins to Council Members as a first symbol of a German-American friendship.

Mayor Saunders thanked Mr. Blevins for his comments and gifts and invited him to visit again.

Mayor Saunders presented a Certificate to Piedmont Access to Health Services, Inc. (PATHS) CEO Kay Crane proclaiming the week of August 9 - 13, 2010 as "National Health Center Week" in Danville.

Ms. Crane thanked Mayor Saunders for the honor and introduced Ms. Terri Motley. Ms. Crane reported that on Friday, August 13, at the Main Street Center, Community Health Day would be observed. There will be free screenings, childhood immunizations, back-to-school physicals, and blood pressure and cholesterol checks. She invited the community to come meet the center's staff, to learn what services are available to area citizens, and to take advantage of the free health screenings.

MINUTES

Dr. Miller stated the July 20, 2010 Minutes indicated that Mr. Blevins was Mayor of Windsbach. He asked the Minutes be corrected to reflect that Mr. Blevins is a Council Member. The Clerk noted the corrections.

Upon Motion by Council Member Miller and second by Council Member Luther, Minutes of the July 20, 2010 Regular Council Meeting were approved as corrected. Draft copies had been distributed to Council Members prior to the Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING-AMENDMENTS TO 2011 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Saunders announced the following budget amendments had been previously discussed by City Council and introduced for First Reading and would be further considered by Council in the Public Hearing. After the Public Hearing is closed, there would be no separate discussion on the items and they would be enacted by one motion. If a citizen or Council Member desires discussion on an item, it will be removed from the consent process and considered separately.

Mayor Saunders opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider amendments to the FY 2011 Budget Appropriation Ordinance. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Danville Register and Bee on July 26, 2011. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Gilstrap requested that Agenda Item No. VII-3 be removed from the consent process and considered separately.

Mr. Shanks requested that Agenda Item No. VII-5 be removed from the consent process and considered separately.

Upon Motion by Council Member Campbell and second by Council Member Gilstrap, Ordinance No. 2010-07.05 presented by its First Reading on July 20, 2010 amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget

Appropriation Ordinance for projects to be or being undertaken to improve the Danville Community financed with Community Development Block grant and Home Investment Partnership funds from the U. D. Department of Housing and Urban Development and estimated program income, for a total appropriation of \$1,901,039 was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0
 AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller,
 Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
 NAY: None (0)
 ABSENT: Rawley (1).

Upon Motion by Council Member Campbell and second by Council Member Gilstrap, Ordinance No. 2010-07.06 presented by its First Reading on July 20, 2010 amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to provide for a grant in the amount of \$16,900 from the State Homeland Security program grant for Citizens Preparedness Project was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0
 AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller,
 Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
 NAY: None (0)
 ABSENT: Rawley (1).

BUDGET ADOPTION-FY 2011-VIRGINIA COMMISSION OF THE ARTS GRANT

Statement of Conflict of Interest

I, John B. Gilstrap, do hereby state that I have a conflict of interest regarding the budget amendment to provide for a Virginia Commission for the Arts Grant because of my position as President of the Danville Area Association for the Arts & Humanities. Therefore, pursuant to the State and Local Government Conflict of Interest Act, Virginia Code Section 2.2-3112, I must abstain from voting on this agenda item.

s/John B. Gilstrap

Upon Motion by Council Member Miller and second by Council Member Jones, Ordinance No. 2010-07.04 presented by its First Reading on July 20, 2010 amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to provide for a Virginia Commission of the Arts grant in the amount of \$5,000 and to provide for the local share in the amount of \$5,000 for a total grant of \$10,000 was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 7-0
 AYE: Campbell, Jones, Luther, Miller, Saunders, Shanks and
 Tomer (7)
 NAY: None (0)
 ABSTAIN: Gilstrap (1)
 ABSENT: Rawley (1).

BUDGET ADOPTION-FY 2011-STATE DEPT. OF AVIATION GRANT-AIRPORT

Council Member Shanks moved adoption of Ordinance No. 2010-07.07 presented by its First Reading on July 20, 2010 amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to provide for State Department of Aviation Maintenance Grant funds related to the maintenance of certain airport properties and the acquisition of grounds equipment in the amount of \$83,800 and for the local share in the amount of \$41,200 for a total appropriation of \$125,000 and appropriating the same.

Council Member Miller seconded the Motion.

Mr. Shanks inquired about Airport grounds equipment. In response, Transportation Services Director Marc Adelman advised the ground equipment that was purchased last year was a mowing attachment, which is a grass-cutting device with a wide blade and attached to the tractor. The tractor, which needed major repairs last year, is getting to the end of its useful life and a new one is needed. The State will provide up to 50% funding for the tractor.

The Motion carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0
 AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller,
 Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
 NAY: None (0)
 ABSENT: Rawley (1).

PUBLIC HEARING-AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF \$1,210,000 GO BONDS

Mayor Saunders opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider authorizing \$1,210,000 in General Obligation Bonds to finance capital improvements to the City's street, stormwater system, Airport and computer system. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Danville Register and Bee on July 20 and 27, 2010. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Upon Motion by Council Member Tomer and second by Council Member Gilstrap, Ordinance No. 2010-07.08 presented by its First Reading on July 20, 2010 authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Danville, Virginia, in the maximum principal amount of \$1,210,000 to finance capital improvements to the City's streets, stormwater system, Airport and computer system was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0
 AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller,
 Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
 NAY: None (0)
 ABSENT: Rawley (1).

PUBLIC HEARING-AMEND 2020 LAND USE PLAN ON HERMITAGE & WIMBISH

Mayor Saunders opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider a request to amend the Year 2020 Land Use Plan and to rezone property fronting on Hermitage Drive and to the rear of 309 Wimbish Drive. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Danville Register and Bee on July 20 and 27, 2010.

Paul Lewis and Linda and William Kelly, owners of the property at Hermitage Drive and Wimbish Drive, were present to answer questions from Council Members and citizens.

No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Shanks moved the adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-08.01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE YEAR 2020 LAND USE PLAN FROM ATTACHED & MIXED RESIDENTIAL TO URBAN SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND REZONING FROM M-R, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO OT-R, OLD TOWN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, 0.362 ACRES OF PARCEL NUMBER 57498 FRONTING ON HERMITAGE DRIVE AND TO THE REAR OF 309 WIMBISH DRIVE.

The Motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Luther and carried by the following vote:

- VOTE: 8-0
- AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller, Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
- NAY: None (0)
- ABSENT: Rawley (1).

PUBLIC HEARING-AMEND DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR HISTORIC OVERLAY

Mayor Saunders opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider amending the Design Guidelines for the Historic Overlay District of Danville. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Danville Register and Bee on July 20 and 27, 2010. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Vice-Mayor Luther moved adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-08.02

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE HISTORIC OVERLAY DISTRICT OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA.

Council Member Campbell seconded the Motion.

Planning Associate Renee' Blair advised the current design guidelines for the Historic Overlay District were adopted in 1999. She reported the Commission of Architectural Review had been working to update the existing guidelines in an effort to provide more information and assistance to residents that live

and work in the District. In addition to Downtown, Tobacco Warehouse and Old West End Districts, Long Mill, Holbrook-Ross and North Danville have been added for participation in the Real Estate Tax Abatement Program, which is administered through the Community Development Department.

In response to Mr. Shanks, Ms. Blair advised the North Danville District covers North Main up to Girard Street.

The Motion carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0
AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Luther, Miller,
Saunders, Shanks and Tomer (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Rawley (1).

LONG TERM POWER COST STABILIZATION & ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLANS

Council Member Jones moved adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-08.03

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE POWER COST ADJUSTMENT ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE FOR A LONG TERM POWER COST STABILIZATION PLAN AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION PLAN.

Council Member Tomer seconded the Motion.

Mr. Shanks advised he would be voting against the measure although he was in total support of the power cost stabilization plan. He said the Energy Efficiency program would involve a charge to all customers in order to redistribute to a few and at this point, it is unknown how the program will work. Vice-Mayor Luther voiced agreement with Mr. Shanks and stated he, too, would not support the measure.

Council Member Tomer said lower customer utility costs and an energy efficiency program had been two of his goals and he stated he felt those goals had been met. He said he would vote in favor of both plans.

Council Members Jones, Campbell, Gilstrap and Miller voiced support for the measure.

The Motion carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 6-2
AYE: Campbell, Gilstrap, Jones, Miller, Saunders,
and Tomer (6)
NAY: Luther and Shanks (2)
ABSENT: Rawley (1).

COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager King advised National Night Out events were going on all over the City and the nation this evening. He encouraged all neighborhoods to form Neighborhood Watch groups in order to assist in crime prevention in the City. He asked that individuals who desired to form a Neighborhood Watch program should contact Lt. Tim Scearce in the Danville Police Department.

There were no communications from the City Attorney and City Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Saunders called attention to "Imagine Danville" cards that had been placed at the desk of each Council Member prior to the Meeting. He encouraged Council Members to distribute them and ask citizens to visit the City's website and place comments there about how they would like Danville to look in the future.

Mayor Saunders reminded Council Members of the August 9 Danville-Pittsylvania Regional Industrial Facility Authority meeting that will convene at 12:00 Noon at the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research. He reported that all Council Members and Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors members had been invited to this meeting.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:44 P.M.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK