

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

Council President Jim Graham called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

At President Graham's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by those assembled.

On roll call by the clerk, the following members of council were present:

Lee Stahley
Larry Morrison
Bob Bailey
Chris Rodriguez
Van Gregg
Karen Conison

EXECUSE ABSENT MEMBER

Mr. Bailey moved to excuse the absent member and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and Mr. Kantor was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the August 16, 2016 agenda and regular meetings and of the August 30, 2016 Special Council Meeting. Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the Minutes were approved as submitted.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Director Woodruff introduced the City's engineer, Ryan Andrews with EMHT. Mr. Andrews explained that the city is looking to replace the bridge and do some street rehabilitation on Etna St. between Robinwood and Collingwood. He explained that the roadway pavement is in poor condition and the bridge has a hole in it. The bridge is 72 years old so the city will need to replace the entire structure. He stated the project will involve replacing the bridge, adding sidewalks on one side of the street and elevating the roadway to update the flood plain. He explained we will be applying for an Ohio Public Works Commission grant which is generated from gasoline tax money. Mr. Andrews explained that one of the questions on the OPWC application is if the city involved the public; therefore he asking for signatures on a sign-up sheet that is being passed around. This will accompany the application to show proof that a public hearing was held. He also stated that he has forms that can be filled out if someone has comments or concerns regarding this project. He stated the commission reviews all the central Ohio applications together and will make a determination on December 9. Director Woodruff explained that he knows that many streets in Whitehall need work, but part of being awarded an OPWC grant is knowing what project scores high enough for them to help fund. He feels optimistic that the city will be funded because of the ODOT inspection report involving the bridge disrepair and the need for sidewalks for children walking to the nearby schools. He stated that the project will cost roughly \$1,000,000, the OPWC grant would cover 75% and the other 25% would be an interest free loan for a period of 17 to 20 years. Mr. Bailey asked if the sidewalks would be an extension of the road way or a separate surface. Mr. Andrews said that it is always preferable to add a

buffer zone or green strip between the sidewalk and roadway. Mr. Bailey asked if resident's driveway approaches will be part of this project. Director Woodruff said it would be similar to the project on Mayflower so all approaches would be included. Mr. Bailey asked if elevating the roadway surface would affect any of the flood plain issues for residents on that road. Mr. Andrews said that studies show when replacing a bridge it is best to increase the clear opening to pass more water. He believes this will not solve any major problems for residents, but it will be less restrictive in that water way. President Graham asked if the whole street will be elevated. Mr. Andrews explained that it would only be concerning the roadway where the bridge is and 50 to 100 feet on either side. President Graham stated that his concern is residents having problems with excess water in yards and driveways. Mr. Andrews said that they have included storm sewers and inlets which should take care of that. President Graham asked if the sidewalks would include a curb or would it be flat with the roadway. Mr. Andrews said they will be evaluating that at the time, but he always prefers curbs. He stated that under the bridge it may be too restricted to have a curb so he would suggest some type of guard rail. Mr. Rodriguez asked about the timeframe of the project. Director Woodruff stated that the grant will be awarded in 2016, bids will be taken in 2017 and project will be performed in 2018.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Director Woodruff explained that the city contracted with The Montrose Group to perform an Office Market Analysis regarding the 12 to 15 acres at 5000 E Broad St. The Montrose Group is composed of industry experts that look at what the market would support on property that is being prepared to develop. It is to educate leadership and the public on what the market says the potential benefits are. He introduced Nate Green, Director for The Montrose Group, LLC. Mr. Green introduced himself and shared his experience along with that of his business partner, David Robinson. He explained that they are a consulting firm that was founded in 2009 that focuses on economic development, strategic planning, lobbying, public policy, public finance, communications and marketing for many different companies and organizations of all types and sizes. Mr. Green presented a power point presentation that described the company's findings. Director Woodruff distributed a hard copy of the presentation to council and a copy was placed in the meeting file in the City Council office. Once the presentation was done, Director Woodruff stated that this is not the final product, but this is an analysis of what could be possible. Mr. Bailey stated that this is more encouraging than what was originally thought. Director Woodruff agreed and stated that is why it is important to hire industry experts to perform an analysis. Mr. Rodriguez commented that this is an outstanding opportunity for the community. Director Woodruff stated over the last 18 months the city has been able to demonstrate that this market is very strong for corporate development. He explained that this study shows that this site is well positioned to take advantage of the central Ohio market or the Ohio market. Mr. Stahley commented that it is even more encouraging that Mr. Green said there were already three developers asking when they can start. President Graham said that he believes that having to maintain the Golf Dome might have been costly and the city might have been losing money. Director Woodruff thanked council for allowing the time for both of the presentations.

POLL PUBLIC

Joy Bivens, 4985 Doral Ave., Director of Franklin County Job and Family Services and a resident. Ms. Bivens explained the importance of educating our community on the needs of residents of Franklin County. She described some of the different circumstances and problems. Ms. Bivens wanted to encourage everyone to come to Franklin County Job and Family Services discussion group. She explained that this is the first in a series of countywide discussions focused on community partners coalition, tackling some of the biggest issues facing Franklin County. It will be held on October 22, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Whitehall Yearling High School.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration and Financial Management – Chairperson Bailey reported that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Engagement – Chairperson Conison reported that they met last week and their minutes are on file. The committee will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Standards and Enforcement – Chairperson Rodriguez said that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They too will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development – Chairperson Morrison reported that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet sometime after 6:30 p.m. next week.

Infrastructure, Maintenance and Services – Chairperson Gregg said that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Public Safety – Chairperson Stahley said they met last week and their minutes are on file. The Safety Committee will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – President Graham reported that Chairperson Kantor could not attend this evening due to illness, however they met last week and their minutes are on file. They too will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – Thanked Nate Green for presenting the results of the study. She explained that the City of Whitehall is working on making opportunities. She reminded everyone that the Golf Dome land belongs to the city and as a city administrator she would be remiss if they didn't find the best use for the land. She said it is phenomenal to know that there is a possibility of creating another 700 jobs at an average of \$60,000 a year and receiving more money in taxes for the schools without raising taxes. It is great for our school district that is growing so quickly that a new school will probably have to be built. The tax money would take the burden off the citizens. She stated that it is imperative that we strive to meet the challenges of 2050. With population increasing in Central Ohio, Whitehall is stepping up to the bar in order to present ourselves to make opportunities. She concluded that she will be at the Franklin County Job and Family Services discussion and is looking forward to it. She wanted to let everyone know that Ms. Bivens is also on the Whitehall School Board and she thanked her for everything. She asked for favorable consideration of Ordinance No. 087-2016,

City Attorney Michael Bivens – He stated from the book of proverbs, “When there is no vision, the people perish.” He thanked Mayor Maggard for the vision and congratulated her and her administration. He is looking forward to this plan because he feels that opportunity is in

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Whitehall. He reported there were 202 active cases for the month of August, only 20 of the criminal cases were Whitehall residents. He congratulated public safety forces for apprehending a murder suspect recently. Unofficially, he is encouraging everyone to go on his wife's Facebook page and watch his son scoring two touchdowns and listen to his wife's screeching.

Director of Service and Development Zach Woodruff – Had no official report.

City Auditor Dan Miller – Had no official report. He asked for favorable consideration of Ordinance No. 088-2016 and several resolutions.

Safety Director Chuck Underwood – was not present

Treasurer Steve Quincel – Had no official report.

Council President Jim Graham said the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting:

- A. The Auditor's Expense Report for July 2016;
- B. The Auditor's Bank Report for July 2016;
- C. The Auditor's State of Cash Position for July 2016;
- D. The Auditor's Revenue Report for July 2016;
- E. The Division of Fire Overtime Report for July 2016;

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

- 1. Minutes of the August 4, 2016, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission.
- 2. Agenda for the August 25, 2016, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission.
- 3. Minutes of the August 4, 2016, meeting of the Planning Commission.
- 4. Agenda for the August 4, 2016, & September 1, 2016, meeting of the Planning Commission.
- 5. Written favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission for Ord. #077-2016.
- 6. Written favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission for Ord. #080-2016.
- 7. Minutes of the September 1, 2016, meeting of the Planning Commission

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 077-2016

AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ATTACHED TO CHAPTER 1122 OF THE 1970 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, ALLOWING A SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER 1123.10(c)(34) TO ALLOW EMPIRE SQUARE LLC TO OPERATE AN ADULT DAYCARE FACILITY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4371 E. BROAD STREET, PROPERTY OWNED BY BOARD LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

President Graham opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 077-2016 at 7:59 p.m. and invited the applicant to come forward and present the case.

Alexander Dashkovsky, General Contractor representing Empire Square, LLC. and Linna Elberg, Operations Manager for Empire Square, LLC. Introduced themselves. Mr. Dashkovsky explained that Empire Square, LLC., is a current business in Whitehall and they will be relocating

from 4040 E. Broad St. to 4371 E. Broad St. He explained that the plans are to keep the building intact and add additional restrooms and a conference room.

Mr. Stahley asked if they are accredited with the federal government. Ms. Elberg said No, they are accredited with the State of Ohio, which is the normal process. Mr. Stahley asked if there is a sufficient amount of space outside for the clients to exercise safely. Ms. Elberg stated that in their daycare facility most of the clients do not go outside because they are handicapped and not able to walk. She reiterated that if they do go outside they are assisted by a staff member. Ms. Conison asked why they decided to move. Ms. Elberg said the building they were in was sold. Mr. Morrison asked what the square footage of the outside space on the new location would be. Mr. Ryan answered about 1200 square feet. Mr. Stahley expressed concerns about the outdoor space. President Graham asked if anyone else would like to come forward and speak. Joe Ryan, 360 S. Yearling Rd. He stated that the South East corner of the property was the best location for the fenced in outdoor area because it is paved, flat and safe. He explained that Empire Square LLC. will be asking for a fence variance because our code doesn't distinguish between an Adult Day Care and a Child Day Care. He explained that the code states that any day care center have 100 square feet per participant for the outdoor area. The adult day care clients are not as mobile; therefore do not need the same space requirement as children. President Graham asked what the outside area looked like at the old facility. Director Woodruff explained that it was more like a court yard and mostly paved.

President Graham closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 077-2016 at 8:06 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 080-2016

AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ATTACHED TO CHAPTER 1122 OF THE 1970 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, ALLOWING A SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER 1123.12(c)(5) TO ALLOW DENT MAGIC USA LLC TO OPERATE A PAINLESS DENT REMOVAL FACILITY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 171C AND 171D N. HAMILTON RD., PROPERTY OWNED BY HGI-MIDWEST LLC.

President Graham opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 080-2016 at 8:06 p.m. and invited the applicant to come forward and present the case.

Dave Miller introduced himself as the owner of Dent Magic and advised that the property name on the ordinance was incorrect, it should be Dent Magic USA to Magic Industries, Inc., He stated he has been in Whitehall since 1997 on Poth Rd. In 1997 they got a special use permit to do automotive reconditioning. They recently decided to expand their business and rent multiple units behind their current location. The current zoning for that property requires a special permit. Mr. Bailey asked if the new services would include washing the vehicle. Mr. Miller answered no. Mr. Bailey asked if Dent Magic owns the RV he sees and what it is used for. Mr. Miller said their company has a team that travels around the country and writes estimates for insurance companies. Mr. Bailey asked if the RV unit would stay in Whitehall when it is not in use. Mr. Miller answered no. Mr. Bailey concluded by complimenting their work. President Graham asked if anyone else would like to come forward and speak. Joe Ryan explained that this is an industrial use in an

industrial area so the use fits with the character of the area. He said the only reason why it is a special permit is because it is listed as a special permit use. This is just a formality. Mr. Rodriguez stated that council needs to amend the Ordinance to read Magic Industries, Inc., instead of Dent Magic, LLC.

President Graham closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 080-2016 at 8:11 p.m.

VERIFICATION OF COPIES

President Graham requested a roll call on whether each member of council received a copy of each item of legislation listed on the agenda prior to the meeting, including any add-on legislation. The six present members responded in the affirmative.

THIRD READING

ORDINANCE NO. 077-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ATTACHED TO CHAPTER 1122 OF THE 1970 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, ALLOWING A SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER 1123.10(c)(34) TO ALLOW EMPIRE SQUARE LLC TO OPERATE AN ADULT DAYCARE FACILITY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4371 E. BROAD STREET, PROPERTY OWNED BY BOARD LIBRARY TRUSTEES.”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to adopt Ordinance No. 077-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken and resulted, as follows: Stahley, no; Morrison, yes; Bailey, yes; Rodriguez, yes; Gregg, yes; Conison, no. ORDINANCE NO. 077-2016 was adopted with four affirmative and two negative votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 080-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ATTACHED TO CHAPTER 1122 OF THE 1970 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, ALLOWING A SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER 1123.12(c)(5) TO ALLOW DENT MAGIC USA LLC TO OPERATE A PAINTLESS DENT REMOVAL FACILITY ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 171C AND 171D N. HAMILTON RD., PROPERTY OWNED BY HGI-MIDWEST LLC.”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to amend Ordinance No. 080-2016 by deleting “Dent Magic USA LLC” and inserting “Magic Industries Inc.” in all locations within the ordinance. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members all voted in the affirmative and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 080-2016 (Amended 9/6/2016) and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present

members all voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 080-2016 (Amended 9/6/2016) was adopted.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 084-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF FORTY FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS FROM THE 101-960-51320 CONTRACT DISPATCHERS EXPENSE ACCOUNT TO THE 101-960-51300 DISPATCHERS SALARIES EXPENSE ACCOUNT.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 084-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 084-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 084-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 048-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS ENERGY ACTION MONTH.”

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 087-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO GRANT VACATION LEAVE ACCRUAL PER 161.15(b)(1) TO A SPECIFIC PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEE AT THE TWENTY FOUR YEAR CATEGORY IN RECOGNITION OF PRIOR SERVICE AND EXPERIENCE AND RECOGNIZING A ONE TIME EXCEPTION TO 161.15(b)(3) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Stahley introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 087-2016 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Stahley then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 087-2016 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 087-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 088-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FIFTY TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN AND 27/100 DOLLARS (\$52,527.27) FROM THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND (279) TO VARIOUS EXPENSE ACCOUNTS IN THE 279 FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PORTION OF THE TOTAL SERVICE PAYMENTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO EACH TIF TO THE AFFECTED

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND (279) IN THE AMOUNT EQUAL TO 100% OF THE PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WOULD HAVE RECEIVED OF FIFTY TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN AND 27/100 DOLLARS (\$52,527.27) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Morrison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 088-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Morrison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 088-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 088-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 053-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE ‘THEN AND NOW’ CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 053-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 053-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 053-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 054-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE ‘THEN AND NOW’ CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 054-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 054-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 054-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 055-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE ‘THEN AND NOW’ CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 055-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

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Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 055-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 055-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 056-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SEEK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR THE FUNDING OF THE ETNA STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Gregg introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 056-2016 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Gregg then moved to adopt Resolution No. 056-2016 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 056-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 057-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE ‘THEN AND NOW’ CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 057-2016 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 057-2016 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 057-2016 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 058-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE ‘THEN AND NOW’ CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 058-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 058-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 058-2016 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC

There were no comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD

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Events are listed on the City's Website. Ms. Martineau stated that on the news tonight they are doing a segment on Text A Tip. Mr. Stahley stated that there will be a prayer service at the Police Station this Sunday on 9-11-16. Ms. Conison complimented Channel 4 and Monica Day on the great job they did covering Whitehall last week.

POLL COUNCIL

Mr. Stahley said how excited he is to have heard from the presentation tonight that there are already three developers ready to come to Whitehall. He thinks it is fantastic that people are seeing the opportunities in Whitehall.

Mr. Morrison thanked Director Woodruff for Mr. Green's presentation. He felt it was important to lay out the plan and help residents understand the potential use of the Golf Dome property. He thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Bailey thanked everyone for coming. He also thanked Ms. Bivens for everything she does and is going to do. He feels that she is not only a board member, but is engaged in the community. He echoed Mr. Morrison and Mr. Stahley on Whitehall development. He said he was encouraged to see how quickly the business that was dislodged was able to find a place quickly without losing service to their clients and also a vacant building will become occupied instead of staying empty for years. He thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Rodriguez said momentum has a new meeting and the definition is Whitehall. He thinks we are ready to explode as a community. He would like to thank the Good Lord for allowing him to be a part of this.

Mr. Gregg wished everyone a good evening. He also wanted to say thank you for the presentation and for the answers to questions regarding the Golf Dome property. He believes it is a hot topic for our residents. He also wanted to thank Ms. Bivens for everything she does especially for Whitehall and the people of Franklin County.

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming and said "see you next time."

President Graham thanked everyone for coming. He also wanted to thank everyone who has been involved in moving the city forward. He believes the city is going to be something to see in the future. Five years from now we won't look the same and we won't be the same.

Having nothing further, Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Freimark, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2016.

Jim Graham, Council President