

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – OCTOBER 18, 2016

Council President Jim Graham called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 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 senior clerk, the following members of council were present:

Chris Rodriguez
Van Gregg
Karen Conison
Wes Kantor
Lee Stahley
Larry Morrison

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER

Ms. Conison moved to excuse the absent member and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and Mr. Bailey was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the October 4, 2016 agenda and regular meetings. Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the Minutes were approved as submitted.

POLL PUBLIC

There were no comments.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration and Financial Management – President Graham reported that they met last Tuesday and discussed several pieces of legislation that are on the agenda for adoption tonight. 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. They will meet again 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 will meet again 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 again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Infrastructure, Maintenance and Services – Chairperson Gregg said that they met last week. 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 – Chairperson Kantor said that 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 – welcomed everyone this evening and advised that she had no official report.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – thanked everyone for coming out. He said they went to the Urban League today and beginning on November 1st they will send representatives to Mayor’s Court who will work with the unemployed and underemployed referred to them through a diversion program. They will be doing workforce development every Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Mr. Bivens also reported that there are about 20 to 25 kids going through the mock court program and Whitehall Yearling students will participate in the statewide competition. Additionally, he reminded everyone that Jobs and Family Services is having a symposium on October 22nd at the high school from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and his wife is hoping that many city officials will turn out for the event.

Director of Service and Development Zach Woodruff – was not present.

City Auditor Dan Miller –had no official report other than those filed in the council office.

Safety Director Chuck Underwood – was not present.

Treasurer Steve Quincel – had no official report tonight.

Council President Jim Graham - advised that the following Officials’ Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: Auditor’s Statement of Cash Position for September 2016; Auditor’s Bank Report for September 2016; Auditor’s Expense Report for September 2016; Auditor’s Revenue Report for September 2016; Treasurer’s Investment Reports for April and May 2016; Treasurer’s Activity by Fund Reports for April and May 2016; and, the Treasurer’s Fund Reconciliation Reports for April and May 2016.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS

There were no communications, petitions or claims.

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

There was no legislation for third reading.

SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 100-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF SIX HUNDRED FOURTEEN AND 76/100 DOLLARS (\$614.76) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 100-2016 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 100-2016 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. 100-2016 was adopted.

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 102-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE WHITEHALL MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENTAL EQUIVALENT FUND TO GRANT TO THE WHITEHALL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION TO FUND ITS PURCHASE OF A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE WHITEHALL PARK AND RIDE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Morrison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 102-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Morrison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 102-2016 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. 102-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 103-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE AIR SOUTH DEVELOPMENT AREA TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS; AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS MAY BE EXPENDED.”

ORDINANCE NO. 104-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS FOR THE CREATIVE PALETTE PROJECT TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS MAY BE EXPENDED; AND AUTHORIZING SCHOOL COMPENSATION PAYMENTS.”

ORDINANCE NO. 105-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS ALONG ETNA ROAD IN THE CITY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS MAY BE EXPENDED; AND AUTHORIZING SCHOOL COMPENSATION PAYMENTS.”

ORDINANCE NO. 106-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$350,000.00) FROM THE TRANSFER EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101-950-59999) TO THE STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND (201) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Gregg introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 106-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Gregg then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 106-2016 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. 106-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 107-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“MAKING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE TRANSFER EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101-950-59999); APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$575,000.00) FROM THE TRANSFER EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101-950-59999) TO VARIOUS FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 108-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO THE DEBT SERVICE FUND (401), MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM THE DEBT SERVICE FUND (401) TO THE DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT (401.000.50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 109-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 110-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETEEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$9,319.00) FROM PREVIOUSLY UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE

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LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (241) TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST SETASIDE FORFEITURE EXPENSE ACCOUNT (241-000-51000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

RESOLUTION NO. 065-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.”

RESOLUTION NO. 066-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

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

Mr. Stahley introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 066-2016 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Stahley then moved to adopt Resolution No. 066-2016 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. 066-2016 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC

There were no comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD

Events are listed on the City’s website.

POLL COUNCIL

Mr. Rodriguez had no comments.

Mr. Gregg thanked the loyal people in the audience for coming and wished everyone a good evening.

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Kantor said, “Ditto.”

Mr. Stahley thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Morrison thanked everyone for coming and said he’d see them next week.

President Graham also thanked everyone for coming.

Having nothing further, Mr. Kantor 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 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Churchman, Senior Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2016.

Jim Graham, Council President