
Minutes
Workshop Meeting
October 13, 2015

Present: Mayor Kenneth F. Neilson, Councilmen Garth Nisson, Thad Seegmiller, Kress Staheli, Jeff Turek, City Manager Roger Carter, City Attorney Jeff Starkey, Administrative Services Manager Kimberly Ruesch, Assistant Public Works Director Lester Dalton, Leisure Services Director Barry Blake, Community Development Director Drew Ellerman, Police Chief Jim Keith

Excused: Councilman Ronald Truman

Meeting commenced at 6:04 P.M.

1. Approval of the Agenda.

Councilman Staheli made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Nisson seconded the motion; which passed with the following roll call vote:

<i>Councilman Nisson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilman Seegmiller</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilman Staheli</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilman Turek</i>	<i>Aye</i>

2. Review of the board audit report for September.

No review needed at this time.

3. Discussion and review of RAP Tax application process. Roger Carter

City Manager reviewed the application processes for adjacent municipalities.

Councilman Seegmiller explained the benefits of the RAP Tax, which was voted on by the citizens of Washington County. This tax should be to provide for those arts and park, which would otherwise not have the funding.

Councilman Turek feels the RAP Tax should be used within our City. The County has a specific tax for use on Countywide entities, and this should be specific to Washington City.

Councilman Seegmiller stated he feels Ivins Cities Resolution is well done. It is not an over complicated process.

Councilman Staheli stated the application process could be a bit more difficult for those organizations, such as the Washington City Band, who are not a 501C3 and will need a sponsor.

Councilman Seegmiller read through the Ivins City Resolution specifically, and the wording is specific to those entities located in Ivins City or show a financial benefit specifically to Ivins. This would be something he would like to see in our Resolution. In fact, there would only need minor wording changes and he would feel comfortable with using this Resolution specifically.

Mayor Neilson stated at the Mayor's meeting, he along with the other Mayors, were under the assumption the RAP Tax would be used within our own Cities. The Tuacahn funding largely should be funded through the County Tax.

Leisure Services Director Barry Blake explained there are areas downtown, where impact fees cannot be used, where the RAP Tax would be most beneficial. This area specifically is going to be over 2 million dollars, which would cover all of the criteria for RAP Tax. In addition, there are trails and park repairs. We can also use the money to help with the Golf Course.

City Manager Carter commented this is specifically why he would prefer the RAP Tax to stay within Washington City. If Council is willing to commit \$20,000 per year to Tuacahn, this money could come to the Golf Course, and Tuacahn should be subsidised by the County Tax.

Councilman Staheli stated he would like to see calculations on the number of rounds of golf since the rate increase.

Leisure Services Director Blake explained we are utilizing the Golf Course, however, there is a slow time in the summer. Otherwise, the course has been booked.

Councilman Seegmiller thought it would be nice to add some art on roads and thoroughfares through Washington City. It would be nice to incorporate those areas, like Washington Fields Road, into the community.

*Councilman Seegmiller excused himself from the meeting at 6:40 P.M.

Council discussed the possibility of moving forward with the bonding process in order to begin the downtown restructuring, which could be paid for with the RAP Tax.

4. Review of request to be appointed to the Planning Commission.

Mayor Neilson asked this item be removed until the upcoming meeting on October 28, 2015.

5. CLOSED SESSION

- A. The character or professional competence of an individual;**
- B. To discuss pending or potential litigation; and/or**

C. Discuss purchase, exchange or lease of property.

Councilman Turek made a motion to move into Closed Session to discuss pending or potential litigation and purchase, exchange or lease of property. Councilman Nisson second the motion; which passed with the following roll call vote:

Councilman Nisson Aye
Councilman Staheli Aye
Councilman Turek Aye

The Council moved into Closed Session at 6:57 P.M.

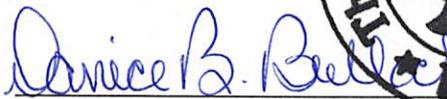
The Council adjourned the Closed Session and returned to the Regular Meeting at 8:18 P.M.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.

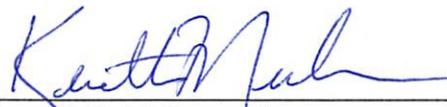
Passed and approved this 28th day of October 2015.

Attest by:


Danice B. Bulloch, City Recorder



Washington City


Kenneth F. Neilson, Mayor

