

Greenbrier Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Regular Minutes
May 7, 2007

Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 07-02 – Code of Ethics. No one spoke for or against. *Public hearing closed.*

Public Hearing on Resolution No. 07-04 – Plan of Service for the annexation of the Watts property on Ebenezer Road. Anita K. Bryant, 2676 Bellar Road, spoke against this issue. *Public hearing closed.*

Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 07-03 – Annexation of Billie Lou Watts property, Ebenezer Road. No one spoke for or against. *Public hearing closed.*

Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 07-04 – Amending Zoning Ordinance regarding Permitted Signs in Commercial and Industrial Districts. No one spoke for or against. *Public hearing closed. 7:05 p.m.*

Citizen Comments on other issues.

Randy Adams, 122 Rose Street, had questions and comments about “no parking” signs. Had issues with the police department. Mayor Wilson instructed Mr. Adams to call City Hall to set up a meeting with Chief Hatfield.

Dallas Laduron, 3003 Lookout Pointe, had questions and comments regarding the water. Mayor Wilson told him that we would call him to set up a meeting with the Mayor and the City Superintendent (and possibly his alderman).

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1. Call to Order by the Mayor.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met at 7:16 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2007, at City Hall. Mayor Billy Wilson presided with the following Board and staff members present.

2. Roll Call.

Board members

Bonnette Dawson	Ward 3
Jeff DeLong	Ward 2
Wayne Dugger	Ward 3
Joshua Evans	Ward 2
Bill Vernich	Ward 1

Dept. Heads

Rich Hatfield (arrived late)
Tommy Maitland
Janet Wilkins

Christina Bartee, City Attorney

Carol Fagg, Ward 1, was absent.

3. Wayne Dugger prayed; followed by the pledge of allegiance.

4. Adoption of Agenda.

Mayor Wilson added “Appointment of Rachel Slusser as City Recorder/Treasurer” and “Ordinance No. 07-09 – Rezoning of Watts property from AG to RB – 1st reading” as new business items 11. j. and k. Joshua Evans added “Water Accessibility Committee” as new business item 11. l.

Motion: To approve the agenda with noted additions.

By: Joshua Evans, second by Bill Vernich.

Roll Call: 6 yes, 0 no.

MOTION PASSED.

5. Approval of Minutes of the April 2, 2007, board meeting.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007, board meeting.

By: Joshua Evans, second by Wayne Dugger.

Roll Call: 6 yes, 0 no.

MOTION PASSED.

6. Presentations/Memorials. There were no presentations or memorials.

7. Communications from the Mayor and Aldermen.
 - Evans and Dugger asked Bartee questions on the ongoing lawsuit on the Old Highway sewer back-up.
 - Mayor Wilson made the following announcements: staff changes in City Hall; in the process of purchasing a \$500,000 CD; clean up day and limb pick-up – thanks to Maitland and Hatfield's crews; pavilion at the soccer field completed last week, reported on purchase of bathroom stalls at a cost of \$4,110.87; grade work completed and fencing begun, benches lined up, flowers donated and planted at the park; speeders in the school zones – thanks to Hatfield, his officers and state troopers; Scott Carroll hired as property standards officer; June board meeting – Mayor Wilson will be on vacation, Dawson will chair the meeting. Mayor Wilson asked Bartee to bring a list of projects reporting on the status of each at each monthly meeting.

8. Reports from Committees and Department Heads. There were no reports.

9. Report from County Commissioners Larry Diorio and Dennis Wade regarding a sales tax increase. Larry Diorio and Dennis Wade were present to discuss a possible increase in sales, wheel and/or county property taxes. Mr. Wade asked that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen take a stand supporting an increase in the sales and wheel taxes in order to decrease the amount of county property tax increase needed to balance the upcoming budget. The proposed sales tax increase would cost taxpayers an additional 50 cents on every \$100 purchase; this would go to the school budget. The proposed wheel tax would cost an additional \$30 and would go to the debt service account. They also asked the city to consider donating ½ of the city's portion of the increased sales taxes back to the county for the debt service account for 10 years. The sales and wheel tax increases will be on a June 2 referendum.

10. Old Business.
 - a. Ordinance No. 07-02 – Code of Ethics with Disclosure – 2nd reading.
 Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-02 on 2nd reading.
 By: Joshua Evans, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes; Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.

 - b. Ordinance No. 07-03 – Annexation of Billie Lou Watts property, Ebenezer Road – 2nd reading.
 Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-03 on 2nd reading.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Bonnette Dawson.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes; Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.

 - c. Ordinance No. 07-04 – Amending Zoning Ordinance regarding Permitted Signs in Commercial and Industrial Districts – 2nd reading.
 Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-04 on 2nd reading.
 By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bonnette Dawson.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes; Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.

11. New Business.
 - a. Resolution No. 07-04 – Plan of Service – Watts property.
 Motion: To adopt Resolution No. 07-04.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes; Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.

b. Job description for Administrative Secretary/Accounting Clerk.
Motion: To approve job description for Administrative Secretary/Accounting Clerk.
By: Bonnette Dawson, second by Bill Vernich.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

c. Surplus equipment.
Motion: To put the 1998 Ford Crown Victoria back into service.
By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bill Vernich.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

Motion: To surplus 1977 Dump Truck.
By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

Motion: To advertise 1997 Ford Crown Victoria, 1977 Dump Truck and Duplo Forms Burster for sealed bids.
By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bill Vernich.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

d. Authorize Mayor to enter into a contract with the lowest or best bid on the Park Trails.
Motion: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with the lowest bid on the Park Trails.
By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bonnette Dawson.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

Motion: To reconsider previous action.
By: Joshua Evans, second by Bill Vernich.
Roll Call: 6 yes, 0 no.
MOTION PASSED.

Motion: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with the lowest or best bid on the Park Trails.
By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bonnette Dawson.
Roll Call: 6 yes, 0 no.
MOTION PASSED.

e. Ordinance No. 07-05 – Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008 – 1st reading.
Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-05 on 1st reading.
Discussion: Joshua Evans and Mayor Wilson declared that they have family members on the Fire Department.
By: Wayne Dugger, second by Bill Vernich.
Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

- f. Ordinance No. 07-06 – Fixing the tax levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 – 1st reading.
 Motion: To fix the tax levy at \$1.20.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
 Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.
- g. Ordinance No. 07-07 – Amending Budget Ordinance No. 05-07 for the fiscal year July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006 – 1st reading.
 Motion: To adopt Ordinance No. 07-07 on 1st reading.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
 Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.
- h. Ordinance No. 07-08 – Establishing a Special Water Fee as dictated by the City of Springfield – 1st reading.
 Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-08 on 1st reading.
 Discussion: Tommy Maitland explained the fee required by the City of Springfield for improvements to the water system.
 By: Wayne Dugger, Bill Vernich.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, no; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes; Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED – 5 yes, 1 no.
- i. Finance.
 (1) Adjustments to the water and sewer account - \$496.87.
 Motion: To accept water and sewer adjustments in the amount of \$496.87.
 By: Joshua Evans, second by Bill Vernich.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
 Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.
- j. Appointment of Rachel Slusser as City Recorder/Treasurer.
 Motion: To appoint Rachel Slusser as City Recorder/Treasurer.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, abstain; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
 Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED – 5 yes, 1 abstention.
- k. Ordinance No. 07-09 – Rezoning of Watts property from AG (Agriculture – County) to RB (Medium Density) – 1st reading.
 Motion: To approve Ordinance No. 07-09 on 1st reading.
 By: Bill Vernich, second by Wayne Dugger.
 Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
 Mayor Wilson, yes.
 MOTION PASSED.
- l. Water accessibility committee.
 Motion: The Mayor will appoint a 3-person committee to meet within the next month and report back at the next board meeting to see if there are any other options to consider before we close a contract with Springfield that's going to be a long-term contract and going to include additional fees.
 By: Joshua Evans, second by Bill Vernich.
 Discussion: Evans feels that Springfield is putting the City in a bind asking us to place this burden (special water fee) on our citizens. He would like a committee to study other avenues for additional water before we extend a contract with Springfield.

Roll Call: Dawson, yes; DeLong, yes; Dugger, yes; Evans, yes; Fagg, absent; Vernich, yes;
Mayor Wilson, yes.
MOTION PASSED.

12. Adjournment.

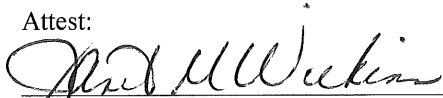
Motion: To adjourn.

By: Joshua Evans, second by Bonnette Dawson.

Roll Call: 6 yes, 0 no.

MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Attest:


Janet M. Wilkins, City Recorder


Billy Wilson, Mayor