

**CITY OF FOUNTAIN INN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**APRIL 8, 2010 – 6:00 PM**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jay Thomason, Celia Tuttle, Rose Ann Woods, Erick Chapman, Berry Woods, Jr., Matthew King and Mayor Gary Long

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sandra Woods, Eddie Case, David Holmes, Steve Ivester, Dan Powell, Mike Pitman, Dee Dee Bagwell, Elaine Ratchford, Steve Ivester, Van Broad, Gina Hoppis, Chris Barrineau, Dale Watson, Michael Hamilton, Roberta Perry, Cathi Avery, Roberta Perry

**VISITORS:** 12

**WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER**

**INVOCATION:** Erick Chapman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CITIZEN COMMENT:** Reverend Sylvester Golden  
Reverend Golden thanked Council for what has been accomplished at his church. They have a wonderful program for the children in the area. Mayor Long commended Reverend Golden for his accomplishment.

**EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER RECOGNITION**

The following employees were recognized as employee of the quarter.  
Roberta Perry – Police Department  
Elaine Ratchford – Economic Development/Performing Arts  
Cathi Avery – Recreation Department  
Gina Hoppis – Gas Department  
Fred Hoppis – Fire Department  
Gwen Britt - Administration

**PROCLAMATION: Zero Tolerance for Litter Weekend**

Mayor Long read the proclamation “Awareness of Zero Tolerance for Litter Weekend”.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

(Reports were read and are on file with the City Clerk)

**CONSENT AGENDA:\***

Approval 3/11/10 Minutes

Approval of March 2010 budget report

**MOTION BY JAY THOMASON:** to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Capital Improvement Program – information only**

Eddie Case explained this is information in preparation for a workshop scheduled May 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. This will give Council time to study prior to the workshop. Teresa Cawley with Southern Municipal Advisors will be here to present.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Property Maintenance Board of Appeals**

Eddie Case explained in enforcing the International Building Codes, that was adopted in 2002, we need to appoint some people to the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals.

David Holmes reminded Mayor and Council that back in 2002 the General Assembly required that local governments adopt the International Building Codes. One of the codes is the International Property Maintenance Code – that code requires, as a part of the function of the code enforcement process, that we establish a Property Maintenance Board of Appeals. If someone is given notice that their property doesn't comply with the requirements of the code they have the right to appeal to the board. The board must consist of at least three people and at least two alternates. State law requires that they will need some orientation training. The nominees are:

Barbara Davis – Real Estate Agent  
Jonathan Long – Residential Building Contractor  
Steve Allen – Commercial Real Estate  
Brian Underwood – Estimator  
James Anderson – Attorney  
Dozier Brooks – retired Engineer  
Mark Peters – Structural Engineer

The nominees were selected due to their occupations and knowledge of construction.

Mayor Long asked Mr. Case to make sure the nominees are registered voters.

### **418 Corridor Study – Seamon Whiteside (discussion)**

Chris Watson with Seamon Whiteside gave Council a brief update on the 418 Corridor Study so that Council will be prepared for the public hearing that is scheduled May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

### **R 2010-005 – Farmers Market Promotion Grant \$29,250**

Dan Powell explained that this is a part of the USDA program that promotes new Farmers Markets and local access to fresh produce. This resolution will support the grant application that Debbie Kvist is working on. This grant will be for a refrigerator trailer that we can use to pick up produce, Happy Cow milk, new brochures, a website and help fund a salary of the part time person that we already have.

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MOTION BY MATTHEW KING: to approve the Farmers Market Promotion Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

**R 2010-005 – Appalachian Regional Commission Grant \$250,000**

Dan Powell explained that this is a unique grant because it is only eligible to six counties in the upstate. We received the grant last year for the Depot Street project. This grant will help with the Woodside Park Development.

MOTION BY JAY THOMASON: to approve the Appalachian Regional Commission Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Personnel matter, Legal briefing, Contract matter

MOTION BY ROSE ANN WOODS: to meet in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Back in Session

Mayor Long explained that no votes were taken while in executive session.

**Property Maintenance Board of Appeals**

MOTION BY JAY THOMASON: to delegate to the Public Works Committee the authority to appoint 3 members and 2 alternates to the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY MATTHEW KING: to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra H. Woods  
City Clerk and Treasurer