

MINUTES

The Lexington City Council held its regular meeting in the Rockbridge Court Facility on July 6, 2006.

PRESIDING: J. W. Knapp

OFFICERS: T. Jon Ellestad, City
Manager
L. A. Mann, City Attorney
S. Edwards, Clerk

MEMBERS: L. W. Broomall
J. H. Page
R. W. Smith
M. M. Elrod

ABSENT: J. E. Gianniny
T. P. Golden

There were seventeen people present.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Knapp called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Elrod requested that on Page 4 of the minutes that the word “warming” be changed to “warning”.

Councilman Broomall made the motion that the minutes of the June 15, 2006 meeting be approved with this spelling change. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. The following vote was recorded.

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

CITIZENS' REMARKS AND COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

Cynthia McClure, 7 Lexington Avenue, representing the Rockbridge Raptors basketball team, addressed Council concerning expenses for the team to attend the National AAU Tournament that is scheduled for July 26 - August 1, 2006 in Orlando, FL. She summarized the

contributions that each boy is expected to make toward the trip, accounted for money they have earned from fund raisers and noted that there are several other fund raising activities planned over the next several weeks prior to the trip. This team has qualified for two other National AAU Tournaments over the past several years; however, location and expenses of these tournaments made it impossible for this team to be able to attend.

Upon motion of Councilman Broomall, seconded by Councilman Smith, it was recommended that City Council contribute \$2,000 toward the transportation costs associated with this trip. The following vote was recorded.

ROLL CALL

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

City Council Committee

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Broomall reported that this Committee had not met.

PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

City Manager Ellestad reported that this Committee had not met.

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Elrod reported that this Committee had not met. She also noted that there will be a Committee meeting on July 20th at 7:00 pm, prior to the regular scheduled Council meeting, with LDDA.

Boards and Commissions

PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilman Smith reported that this Commission had not met. Mayor Knapp added that Council still does not have a replacement yet for Carol Wheeler who resigned from the Planning Commission.

RAEDC

There was no report from this Commission. Mayor Knapp did bring up the fact that Jane Ellington was willing to go back on RAEDC.

Upon motion of Councilman Broomall, seconded by Councilman Page, it was recommended that Jane Ellington be appointed to serve as the City’s representative on the RAEDC Commission for a three year term that will expire June 20, 2009. The following vote was recorded.

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

CENTRAL SHENANDOAH PLANNING COMMISSION

Mayor Knapp reported that this Commission had not met.

REGIONAL TOURISM BOARD

Councilman Page reported that this Board had not met.

MAYOR

Appointments to Planning Commission and Disabilities Services Board

Upon motion of Councilman Page, seconded by Councilman Broomall, Arway Kirby was recommended to succeed Tina Walker on the Disabilities Services Board. The following vote was recorded.

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried

Mayor Knapp thanked the Rotary Club and other organizations that helped to make the 4th of July celebration so successful.

Mayor Knapp also read a Proclamation that will be presented to Dr. Sabah Al-Jadooda, citizen of Iraq, when he is Lexington on July 20, 2006 as a guest of Sigma Nu Fraternity.

CITY MANAGER

Consideration of street closing request for the West end of Washington Street from Washington and Lee University.

Upon motion of Councilman Broomall, seconded by Councilman Smith, the street closing request was recommended for approval. The following vote was recorded.

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

Consideration of authorization to move forward with the rehabilitation of Threshold houses at 311 and 313 Massie Street.

Upon motion of Councilman Broomall, seconded by Councilwoman Elrod, it was requested that City Council authorize a loan of \$87,500 to the Housing Fund from the General Fund to enable the City to proceed with these rehabilitations. The following vote was recorded.

ROLL CALL

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

Consideration of request to approve funding for the painting of the Rescue Squad building.

Upon motion of Councilman Broomall, seconded by Councilman Page, it was recommended that Council appropriate \$10,000 to cover the painting. The following vote was recorded.

ROLL CALL

L. W. Broomall	Aye	T. P. Golden	Absent
J. H. Page	Aye	R. W. Smith	Aye
J. E. Gianniny	Absent	M. M. Elrod	Aye

The motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Mann noted that RAEDC will have to reconvene and revise the bylaws as a result of Buena Vista withdrawing from the organization.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

Mayor Knapp did mention that the Architectural Review Board had met earlier this evening and new renderings for the Courthouse on Randolph Street were presented. There will be another meeting in two weeks so that samples of materials for this project can be presented.

Councilman Broomall asked about the status of the Jordan's Point dam. City Manager Ellestad reported that the safety devises have been ordered and hopefully everything should be received and ready for installation by the end of next week. The City Manager also noted that several other safety options were being looked at. One option being considered is the moving of the boat ramp back up river to a location that would possibly be safer. City Manager Ellestad also noted that Bill Blatter, Director of Planning and Zoning is working on a scope of services to study alternatives for the dam.

Mayor Knapp noted that he felt that City Manager Ellestad had responded appropriately during all of the dam discussions. City Manager Ellestad then commented that he gave Bill Blatter credit for handling many of these issues.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.