

City of Crossville
99 Municipal Avenue
Crossville, TN 38555



Minutes

Monday, June 25, 2012

3:30 PM

Call for Special Meeting

Roll Call

Present 5 - Councilman Earl Dean, Councilman George Marlow, Councilman Boyd Wyatt, Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Wyatt, and Mayor J.H. Graham III. *Others present were City Manager Bruce Wyatt, City Attorney Kenneth Chadwell, City Clerk Sally Oglesby, Fred Houston, David Beaty, Darlene Barnwell, Andy Vaughn, Tim Begley, Jim Young, Billy Martin, and Karli Threet.*

Mayor J. H. Graham, III was present and presiding. He called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ITEM #1 - 3rd Reading of Ordinance amending the FY2011-12 budget in the amount of \$40,000 for Satsuma project

A motion was made by Boyd Wyatt, seconded by Danny Wyatt, that this Ordinance be adopted on third and final reading. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 - Dean, Marlow, Wyatt, Wyatt and Graham III.

ITEM #2 - 3rd Reading of Ordinance authorizing payment for contracts with ECE Services

A motion was made by Councilman Boyd Wyatt, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Wyatt, that this Ordinance be adopted on third and final reading. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 - Dean, Marlow, Wyatt, Wyatt and Graham III

ITEM #3 - 1st Reading of Ordinance annexing 5.75 acres on Short Road

A request was received from Francisco Fuentes for the annexation of his property on Short Road. The property currently attaches to the City on the rear and side of the property. Short Road would not be annexed.

A motion was made by Boyd Wyatt, seconded by Danny Wyatt, that this ordinance be adopted on third and final reading. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye:5 - Dean, Marlow, Wyatt, Wyatt and Graham III.

ITEM #4 - Matters relative to corporate hangar

Mastercorp is ready to proceed with the construction of their additional hangar. An application has been filed with TDOT-Aeronautics for the taxiway. Approval was requested on the proposed lease.

A motion was made by Boyd Wyatt, seconded by J.H. Graham III, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 - Dean, Marlow, Wyatt, Wyatt and Graham III.

ITEM #5 - Matters relative to payroll changes

Matter deferred.

ITEM #6 – Matters relative to certified tax rate

The certified tax rate has been received from the Assessor of Property. The new rate is \$0.53. Council discussed holding a public hearing at the July meeting setting the tax rate above the certified tax rate.

City Manager Wyatt presented the new tax rate. It was pointed out that residential rates went down and commercial and undeveloped land went up. The difference in revenues is about \$70,000.

The City Clerk discussed the requirements to adopt a tax rate different than the certified tax rate. Mayor Graham pointed out the deficit in the collection of sales tax and the loss of growth in residential houses. He also pointed out the loss in revenues from interest rates. He believes the long-term solution affects both revenues and expenses.

The current general fund budget is in a deficit of about \$1,000,000. To maintain a six month reserve, we need to have about \$6,000,000-\$7,000,000 in fund balance.

Councilman Marlow stated he would rather see small increases in the taxes rather than one large one or a charge for garbage pick-up.

A motion was made by Boyd Wyatt, seconded by J.H. Graham III, that the certified tax rate be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 - Dean, Marlow, Wyatt, Wyatt and Graham III.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.