

City of Crossville



Minutes

Tuesday, August 7, 2012
2:00 PM

Call for Special Meeting

Roll Call

Present: 5 - Council Member Earl Dean, Council Member George Marlow, Council Member 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, Tim Begley, Darlene Barnwell, Terry Ashburn, Jerry Garrison, Karli Threet, and Mike Moser.

ITEM #1 – Matters relative to industrial recruitment

Following the lengthy conversation during the meeting held on July 31, it was apparent that there may have been some misunderstandings about the exact terms of the motion that need to be clarified. It was requested that the motion be amended to read: "that a 60 day option be offered to an unnamed company, as of this date, to include: the sale of approximately 21.4 acres on Wyatt Court for \$1.00 and other good and valuable considerations as follows; (1) a commitment toward an addition of 150,000-210,000 square feet of warehouse space during the next 12 months and after the expansion is approved by their Board; (2) the company will immediately convert 40 contract jobs to full-time and grow employment by 25 by the end of 2013, provided there are no surprises in the industrial market they serve. Further, it is understood that at the end of May 2012, the Company employed 769 people (523 fulltime/237 contract) and that, if the option is exercised, they must begin construction of their building within one year of the date of the deed."

Councilman Boyd Wyatt stated that, in his mind, nothing has changed because we still want jobs, retain jobs, and help the company. Mayor Graham commented that he believes the number of employees projected in this agreement is very conservative. Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Wyatt gave his support of the agreement as it will also put the property back on the tax roll. It was pointed out that the final agreement will come before the Council for final approval. Councilman Earl Dean voiced his support. Councilman George Marlow pointed out that it is all about jobs, that we need them, and want them and this agreement is best for the City.

A motion was made by Mayor J.H. Graham III, seconded by Council Member Boyd Wyatt, that this Resolution be approved as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 5 - Council Member Earl Dean, Council Member George Marlow, Council Member Boyd Wyatt, Mayor Pro-tem Danny Wyatt and Mayor J.H. Graham III.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.