



**MINUTES
WATAUGA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7105 WHITLEY ROAD
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arthur L. Miner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The meeting convened with the following members present:

Arthur L. Miner	Mayor
Andrew Neal	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member Place 4
Pat Shelbourne	Council Member Place 1 (Absent with notice)
Tom Snyder	Council Member Place 2 (Absent with notice)
Lovie Downey	Council Member Place 3
Vacant	Council Member Place 5
Mark Taylor	Council Member Place 6
Jan Hill	Council Member Place 7

and

Linda Proskey	City Secretary
Sandra Gibson	Finance Director
Bradley Fraley	Chief Information Officer
Caroline Kelley	City Attorney
Shawn Fannan	Fire Chief
Randy Richards	Assistant Director of Public Works
Jeannette Garcia	Planning and Zoning Coordinator

INVOCATION

Senior Pastor Lynn Nichols, of the Northside Church of Nazarene provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Miner led the pledge to the flags.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Miner stated he would be starting in February announcing any Watauga veterans who passed in the previous month.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation

The North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council (NCTTRAC) Board of Directors has once again endorsed the City of Watauga as a Heart Safe Community.

Melissa Christon of NCTTRAC presented the city with this recognition.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Requests for public comment were not received.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

Requests for public testimony were not received.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Miner read the following consent addenda items

1. **Consider action to approve the meeting minutes of the December 13, 2021, City Council Workshop Meeting, and the December 13, 2021, City Council Regular Meeting.**
2. **Consider action to approve a resolution amending Policy 13.01 Purchasing Policy and Procedures of the Personnel, Administration and Financial Policies Manual**
3. **Consider action to approve the first renewal of the agreement for collection services with McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C.**
4. **Consider action to approve the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending November 30, 2021**

Councilmember Downey made motion, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Hill second the motion. Hearing no further discussion Mayor Miner called for a vote. Motion carried 4-0-0-2.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Snyder, Shelbourne

PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION

- 1. Public hearing to receive comments for or against a request for a specific use permit and consider action on the final report regarding an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Watauga, Texas granting Specific Use Permit SUP.21-05: Packaged Liquor Store with Drive-Thru for the property located along the Rufe Snow Corridor, Lot 3R2, Block 1 of the Stringer Addition, located west of Rufe Snow Drive south of Bursey Road and north of High Lawn Terrace to the owner/agent of such property; providing for repeal; providing for severability; providing a penalty; providing an effective date; and containing other provisions relating to the subject. Owner, Owens-Stringer Inc. Applicant/agent, Blazing Hospitality, Smit Shaw**

Assistant Director of Public Works, Randy Richards presented the item. On November 4, the application was submitted for a specific use permit. All requirements were satisfied, and notice was published, in the Star-Telegram, for the January 5 public hearing for the Planning and Zoning Commission. Responses to the 38 notices sent out, one was received for support, three against, 34 did not reply, and two returned to sender.

Applicant Smit Shaw was in attendance.

Mayor Miner asked at the P&Z public hearing if any citizens came to speak. Mr. Richards replied there were not.

Mayor Miner opened the public hearing at 6:43 pm. No speakers were present. Mayor Miner closed the public hearing at 6:43 pm.

Councilmember Taylor made motion, to accept the item as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Neal second the motion. Hearing no further discussion Mayor Miner called for a vote. *Motion carried 4-0-0-2.*

Ayes: Shelbourne, Downey, Neal, Taylor, Hill

Nays: None

Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder, Shelbourne

ACTION ITEMS

1. Discuss and consider appointments to the Board of Directors of the Watauga Economic Development Corporation (WEDC)

Mayor Miner presented the item, he stated that the board is down to four members, and there are no new applicants. Three council members are allowed on the board, and currently, there are two so, he asked for a council volunteer until more members can be appointed.

Councilmember Downey nominated Mayor Pro Tem Neal to fill in
Councilmember Hill seconded the motion
Mayor Pro Tem Neal accepted the nomination

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 4-0-0-2.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Neal, Hill
Nays: Downey, Taylor
Abstain: None
Absent: Snyder, Shelbourne

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Councilmember Downey would like to discuss dissolving the Youth Advisory Council since there are no applicants for the board. Mayor Pro Tem Neal second.

Mayor Miner to appoint a Council Liaison to the WEDC

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in executive session to discuss the following items pursuant to the below referenced section(s) of the Texas Government Code:

1. Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, deliberation regarding appointment or employment of a City Attorney

Mayor Miner called for recess into executive session at 6:48 pm

RECONVENE

The City Council will return to open session in the City Council Chamber for possible discussion and action as a result of the Executive Session.

Mayor Miner reconvened the meeting at 7:17 pm

ITEMS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION DELIBERATION

1. Discuss and consider action on the appointment or employment of a City Attorney

Mayor Miner recommended they move forward with the contract and appointment of the law firm of Nichols, Jackson, Dillard, Hager & Smith, LLP

Councilmember Hill made a motion to accept the recommendation.

Councilmember Downey seconded the motion

Mayor Pro Tem Neal accepted the nomination

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Miner called for a vote.

Motion carried 4-0-0-2.

Ayes: Shelbourne, Neal, Hill

Nays: Downey, Taylor

Abstain: None

Absent: Snyder, Shelbourne

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Arthur Miner adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

APPROVED: this 14th day of February, 2022.

SIGNED: this 14th day of February, 2022.

APPROVED:

Arthur L. Miner /s/

Arthur L. Miner, Mayor

ATTEST: Linda Proskey /s/

Linda Proskey, City Secretary