

CITY OF CHERRYVILLE
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
AUGUST 25, 2014 @ 3:00 PM
CHERRYVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT
TRAINING ROOM

The Honorable Mayor H.L. Beam III called the work session meeting to order at 3:00 pm. Present Councilmember Brain Dalton, Councilmember David Kiser, Councilmember Malcolm Parker and Councilmember Jill Puett. City Manager Ben Blackburn, City Clerk Paige Green, City Attorney Palmer Huffstetler Jr., Planning & Zoning Director Richard Elam, Public Works Director Brandon Abernathy, and Fire Chief Jeff Cash. Michael Powell was present for media coverage.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION:

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT RE: REAL ESTATE BROKER/FORMER BB&T BUILDING, BEN BLACKBURN:

City Manager Ben Blackburn addressed Mayor Beam and the Council with a contract to sell the BB&T Bank building. Mr. Blackburn explained that Mr. Bob Clay inspected the building and he feels like we need to find a buyer who is willing to take on a major renovation and have confidence to find end users. Mr. Clay is willing to market the property through all of his electronic listing services that include the Charlotte Regional Commercial Board of Realtors. This is the largest national commercial listing service and the Certified Commercial Investment Member. Mr. Clay wants to list the building for \$246,900 with expectations of offers in the \$15 to \$18 dollars per square foot price range. This is will be put on the agenda for the City Council meeting in September.

DISCUSSION OF FORMER BB&T BANK BUILDING CLOCK REPAIRS, BEN BLACKBURN:

Mr. Blackburn addressed the Mayor and Council with a proposal to repair the old clock that once hung on the BB&T bank building. Councilmember Parker saw an episode of the Carolina Camera featuring Jim Orsdel and his business The Clock Shop. Mr. Orsdel has given the city a quote on repairing the inside of the clock only. The cost for this restoration will be \$11,280.00

plus any work needed to repair the stained glass dials and their integrity. This will be placed on the agenda for the September meeting.

DISCUSSION OF HANDICAP PARKING IN MINI PARK, BEN BLACKBURN:

Mr. Blackburn addressed the Mayor and Council with the information for adding a handicap parking space in the mini park. Councilmember Dalton shared that he has talked with the business owners in the building and they do not want or feel like they need a handicap space put in. Councilmember Parker shared the same. The tenant that was asking for the space has closed her business. This item will be placed on the September agenda.

CONSIDERATION OF MAINTENANCE CONTRACT RE: CHERRYVILLE ATHLETIC FIELDS:

Mr. Blackburn shared that he has received a proposal from Coach Mauldin Lawn Service for the maintenance of the seven athletic fields. The proposal includes field prep for reseeding, fertilizing, maintenance with chemicals, aeration and cutting of all the grass for the first year and the second year would be for cutting and maintenance. After discussion Mayor Beam and Councilmembers asked Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Abernathy to get together and put in writing a list of what the city would like to see in a proposal. This will be put on the agenda for the September meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Blackburn shared that the deadline for the annual League meeting is September 19. Please call the Clerk if you plan on attending.

Councilmember Kiser asked about the customer service position and when the interviews would start.

Councilmember Parker asked about restitution and wanted to make sure we were getting it. We are from Bonny Alexander and Jennifer Hoyle's will begin once she is released from prison.

Councilmember Dalton asked about street paving. A list is being put together.

Councilmember Puett asked about the grant request for water connection. Mr. Blackburn shared that we stopped that grant process because of the matching.

Mayor Beam shared that the 911 ceremony will be held at the fire department next month. He also shared that the fanfare will be held September 12 at Rudisill Stadium. There will be 9 to 12 bands on the field. Mayor Beam thanked Councilmember Dalton for reading the resolution at the recent Community Revival. He had received positive feedback.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Kiser made a motion to adjourn the work session meeting. Councilmember Parker seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Adopted this 8th day of September, 2014.

H. L. Beam

Mayor, H.L. Beam

Paige H. Green
City Clerk, Paige H. Green



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