REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE JULY 24, 2001 TUESDAY - 7:00 P.M. TOWN HALL

The Board of Aldermen held a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 24, 2001. Members present were Mayor Henry Foy, Aldermen Gavin Brown, Gary Caldwell, Libba Feichter and Kenneth Moore. Also present were Town Manager A. Lee Galloway, Town Clerk Phyllis McClure and Town Attorney Michael Bonfoey. Mayor Foy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## Approval of Minutes of July 10, 2001

Alderman Caldwell moved, seconded by Alderman Feichter, to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2001 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

# Public Hearing - Annexation Petition of Bobby & Carol Brinkley - 442 Knollwood Drive

Town Attorney Bonfoey opened the public hearing regarding the petition for voluntary annexation for Bobby and Carol Brinkley for the 1.250 acre tract located at 442 Knollwood Drive. No one spoke. Attorney Bonfoey closed the public hearing.

Alderman Moore moved, seconded by Alderman Brown, to adopt an ordinance annexing the 1.250 acre tract of property located at 442 Knollwood Drive as requested by Bobby & Carol Brinkley. The motion carried unanimously. (Ord. No. 17-01)

### Parking/No Parking on Virginia Avenue at Old Hazelwood School

At the last meeting, Town Manager Galloway reported that it appeared that an agreement had been reached with interested parties on the issue of parking on Virginia Avenue adjacent to the former Hazelwood Elementary School. At the last moment it was discovered that not everyone was satisfied with what was to be recommended. Additional meetings were held in an attempt to meet the needs of all concerned parties.

Police Chief Bill Hollingsed met with various school officials as well as the director of the Day Care Center which will be operated at this location beginning August 1. It is recommended that there be twenty (20) spaces marked "No Parking - Loading and Unloading Only - 15 Minute Limit" and these would be adjacent to the northern portion of the facility where the day care center is to be located. On the south end of the facility, where the County operates a recreation program and the Job Links Programs has office and classroom space, it is the recommendation that sixteen (16) parking spaces be marked without time limits. Manager Galloway added that if parking is permitted on Virginia Avenue it may help to slow vehicles down since parking will make the road appear more narrow.

Alderman Moore moved, seconded by Alderman Feichter, to adopt an ordinance, effective August 1, 2001, to establish parking regulations as recommended on Virginia Avenue. The motion carried unanimously. (Ord. No. 18-01)

# Minor Subdivision Plat - Gordon Hendrix - Bridgett Drive

Mr. Gordon Hendrix owns a 56 acre tract of land on Bridgett Drive. This is located off of Pinewood Drive, not far from the intersection with Lickstone Road. Mr. Hendrix is subdividing the property to convey a 1.214 acre parcel to Heidi Smith. The property is zoned R-1, Low Density Residential District, and the plat meets or exceeds the requirements for "R-1" Zoned properties. The property has an existing septic tank and a private water supply. Town Staff recommends approval of the minor subdivision plat.

Alderman Feichter moved, seconded by Alderman Moore, to approve the minor subdivision plat for Gordon Hendrix at Bridgett Drive. The motion carried unanimously.

## Program Assistance Policy Regarding Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Project

Town Manager Galloway said the Town has been awarded a \$300,000 grant from the N.C. Housing Finance Agency. The Town is contributing \$11,000 to match this grant. As a part of this project, the Town must adopt a Program Assistance Policy which describes who is eligible to apply for assistance, how such applications will be prioritized, the terms of assistance and how the rehabilitation process will be managed. The homes must be owner occupied, and the income levels of those who reside there must be below a certain income limit. The homes must also be capable of being brought up to the standards of the Single Family Rehabilitation Program. The homes must be located within the corporate limits of Waynesville, and the applicants must fit into one of the special needs categories targeted by the program. The program will be administered by Benchmark.

Alderman Moore moved, seconded by Alderman Caldwell, to adopt the Program Assistance Policy Regarding the Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Project, subject to correcting dates in the policy as recommended by Alderman Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

### Annual Certification of Firemen

Each year, the Town Board is asked to certify the list of active fire fighters in the Waynesville Fire Department. In order to remain on the list of active fire fighters, the individuals must complete a minimum of 36 hours of meetings and drills during the preceding fiscal year. If a firefighter joins the department during the year and is in the process of completing the requirements, he or she may also be listed for certification. A firefighter on this list is eligible for the \$25,000 death benefit in the event of loss of life in the line of duty, and also, they are eligible for membership in the special Pension Fund for firefighters. Fire Chief Bill Fowler has reviewed the list and recommends approval.

Alderman Brown moved, seconded by Alderman Caldwell, to approve the annual certification of firemen as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### Request to Reserve Softball Field

Several people attended the meeting to request that the Waynesville Smackers Traveling Girls Softball Team be allowed to use the softball field on August 3, 4 and 5, 2001 for a non profit tournament and that the \$300 fee be waived for this event. Mr. Ronnie Ingle served as spokesperson for the group.

This non profit tournament is to raise money for the family of Heidi Caldwell who was tragically killed in an accident this summer. Mr. Ingle requested permission to erect a plaque in memory of Heidi. Heidi loved to play softball and was a member of Mr. Ingle's team for several years.

According to Mr. Ingle, the Mountaineer Little League gave them permission to use the Dutch Fisher Softball Field for this event. However, they later learned that this should be scheduled through the Waynesville Recreation Department and a family reunion was already scheduled during this time. Mr. Ingle also pointed out that the Dutch Fisher Park needed to be mowed. Town Manager Galloway said that this is the first time he has heard about the request, otherwise it could have been resolved before coming to the Board. Manager Galloway will gather additional information tomorrow and try to resolve this issue.

Alderman Caldwell moved, seconded by Alderman Moore, to waive the \$300 fee for reserving the softball field. The motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Moore moved, seconded by Alderman Caldwell, to allow a plaque to be erected at the Dutch Fisher Park in memory of Heidi Caldwell. The motion carried unanimously.

### Adjournment

With no further business, it was the consensus of the Board to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Phyllis R. McClure	Henry B. Foy
Town Clerk	Mayor