

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING and  
PUBLIC HEARING  
DECEMBER 06, 2010  
6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Crout. The Invocation was given by Councilman Cole and the Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance. All councilmen were present except Councilman Looper. Mayor Crout announced the next regular meeting would be January 3, 2011.

Councilman Middleton made a motion seconded by Councilman Cole to approve the minutes from November 1. All voted in favor.

There were no comments for the public hearing concerning the re-zoning of the lots on Broad Street.

No one signed up for general public comments.

SECOND READING – OF AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE LOTS ON BROAD ST	Councilman Cole made a motion seconded by Councilman Harvell to approve second reading of the ordinance to re-zone 4 lots on Broad Street from Industrial to R3 Residential. All voted in favor.
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APPOINT DIANNE LOLLIS AS SPECIAL EVENT COORDINATOR	Mayor Crout made a motion seconded by Councilman Middleton to appoint Dianne Lollis as Special Events Coordinator. All voted in favor.
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ELECTION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO CHANGE FORM OF CANDIDACY FILING	Councilman Middleton made a motion seconded by Councilman Harvell to discuss the Election Commission's recommendation to change the Town's present candidate nomination process for offices to be voted on in a general or special election of filing by petition to a filing fee. An amount for the fees would have to be determined and Richard Thompson said that any change might be subject to Justice Department approval. The motion was tabled. All voted in favor
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FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE CHICKENS WITHIN THE TOWN	Councilman Cole made a motion seconded by Councilman Harvell to discuss regulating chickens within the Town. Mayor Crout recommended a limit of 10 hens and no rooster. Another idea was to base the number on allowing one per 2 square feet of coop space.
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The Mayor said that the ordinance could be further tweaked before second reading. All voted in favor of passing the ordinance on first reading.

FIRST READING OF AN  
ORDINANCE TO BUY  
BACK 2 LOTS IN  
GATEWOOD

Councilman Middleton made a motion seconded by Councilman Cole to approve first reading of an ordinance to buy back 2 lots in the Gatewood subdivision which would allow entrance to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The cost of \$3,400 covers the owners purchase price plus taxes paid and could be covered under our USDA Rural Development grant. The two lots were sold at auction in 2006. All voted in favor.

Mayor Crout wished all a Merry Christmas and thanked outgoing Councilmen Cole and Middleton for their service on the council.

Walt Smith reminded everyone about the upcoming Christmas parade on the 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, invited everyone to attend, and announced that Marion Middleton Jr. would be the Grand Marshall of the parade.

Councilman Middleton made a motion seconded by Councilman Harvell to adjourn. All voted in favor. Adjournment was at 6:30 pm.