

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF
WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE CITY COUNCIL
BELLE-AIRE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
May 18, 2011
9:30 A.M.**

The members of Council met in special session with Chairperson Dale Lynch, presiding, at the Belle Aire Intermediate School located at 1120 High Street.

Each member of Council introduced himself to the third grade students.

Mr. Dale Lynch gave the invocation and Miss Harmony Gay, a student from Mrs. Johnson's Class, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at said meeting was City Manager Joseph J. Denen, Mrs. Teena M. Keaton, Clerk of Council and Ms. Kelley Rossiter, Recording Secretary. At roll call the following members were present: Mr. Gordon Davis, Mr. Ted Hawk, Mr. Steve Jennings, Mr. Benjamin Roby, Mr. Chuck Winkle, and Mr. Dale Lynch.

Mr. Jim Chrisman was absent.

B. BUSINESS SESSION

CITY MANAGER REPORT (unwritten report)

Mr. Lynch directed the City Staff in attendance to introduce themselves and explain their position with the City of Washington Court House. Department Heads in attendance included Clerk of Council/Assistant Director of Finance, Mrs. Teena Keaton, Director of Finance, Mr. Tom Riley, Acting Fire Chief, Mr. Tom Youtz, Police Chief, Mr. Brian Hottinger, Service Director, Mr. Joe Burgbage and Administrative Secretary, Ms. Kelley Rossiter.

LOCAL RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS

The 3rd grade class was given the following exercise to be completed for presentation at the Student Council Meeting. A member of each class was chosen to represent and address Council with their decisions.

EXCERISE:

We have \$100,000.00 in tax revenue for this year, and we have to make some decisions about what priorities are important to the community. A majority of your class members must agree on what needs to be done. Remember, you have \$100,000.00. You can spend

all \$100,000.00 or save some for next year. Just remember more than half of your class must agree on what is going to happen. Pick out what items from the list your class decides to pay for. Remember you CAN NOT spend more than \$100,000.00!

COSTS

- 1.) The Fire Department needs new fire hose –
\$15,000.00
- 2.) The Fire Department wants, but doesn't absolutely need, new radio equipment-
\$15,000.00
- 3.) A Fire Truck at the Fire Department needs a new water pump-
\$15,000.00
- 4.) The Police Department needs to replace two police cars-
\$25,000.00
- 5.) The Police Department would like, but does not absolutely need a new police dog-
\$5,000.00
- 6.) The swimming pool needs repair work, you can wait to repair it and do the work next year, but the work may cost more next year-
\$20,000.00
- 7.) Several kids have said they would like new playground equipment in Eyman Park-
\$20,000.00
- 8.) Some citizens want to plant trees along Columbus Avenue-
\$5,000.00
- 9.) The sewer plant is in need of repair, you do not have to repair the sewer plant, but if you do not repair the sewer you could kill some fish in Paint Creek.
\$30,000.00
- 10.) Court St is in need of some minor repairs. People who drive cars over the street want some small holes repaired-
\$5,000.00
- 11.) The Cemetery needs new lawn mowers, If you can not mow grass at the Cemetery people will be mad.-
\$5,000.00
- 12.) The filters at the water plant could be improved. The current filters work, but new filters would provide everyone with better drinking water.
\$20,000.00

Miss Samantha Sever, a student in Mrs. Langley's class, addressed Council and stated that her class voted for items numbers 1, 3, 5, 8, 9 and 12. Miss Sever stated that her class spent a total of \$90,000.00 with a savings of \$10,000.00 to be used for unexpected issues that happen in the City, Miss Sever thanked Council for having their class do the exercise.

Mr. Eli Lynch, a student in Mrs. Clay's class, addressed Council and stated that their class voted for items numbers 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Mr. Lynch stated that his class had formed 6 small groups to gather information and then completed a graph with the combined results. Mr. Lynch stated that his class spent a total of \$85,000.00 with a savings of \$15,000.00 for any upcoming emergencies.

Miss Madison Newman, and Mr. Collier Brown, students in Mrs. Stuckey's class, addressed Council and stated that their class voted for item numbers 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 12. Ms. Newman stated that her class spent a total of \$95,000.00 with a savings of \$5,000.00 to use for a rainy day.

Miss Payton Maddux and Mr. Nathan Hammock, students in Mr. Smith and Mr. Anderson's class, addressed Council and stated that their class voted for item numbers 1,3,4,5,9, 10 and 12. Miss Maddux advised that their class decided to only purchase one police vehicle with a cost of only \$12,500.00. Miss Maddux stated that their class spent a total of \$97,500.00 and saved \$2,500.00.

Mr. Gavin Brown, a student in Mrs. Heinz and Mr. Faust's class, addressed Council and stated that his class voted for item numbers 1, 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Mr. Brown advised that their class spent a total of \$90,000 and saved \$10,000.00. Mr. Brown thanked Mr. Denen for the opportunity to address Council.

Miss Haiven Pepper, a student in Mrs. Johnson's class, addressed Council and stated that her class voted for items numbers 3,7,9,10, and 12. Miss Pepper advised that her class spent a total of \$90,000.00 and saved \$10,000.00 for emergencies.

Miss Kalila Wilson, a student in Mrs. Meinert's class, addressed Council and stated that her class voted for items numbers 1, 3, 5, 11 and 12. Miss Wilson advised that her class spent a total of \$95,000.00 with a savings of \$5,000.00.

Mr. Denen thanked the students for the wonderful presentations.

C. New Legislation (in writing)

A. RESOLUTION NO. R31-2011 (first reading)

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE CITY COUNCIL'S APPRECIATION FOR THE ANNUAL STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING.

Mr. Davis moved and Mr. Winkle seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Resolution No. R31-2011 be placed on first reading.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Davis, "Aye", Mr. Hawk, "Aye", Mr. Jennings, "Aye"; Mr. Roby, "Aye", Mr. Winkle, "Aye", and Mr. Lynch. "Aye".

Motion carried. Title read.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Davis thanked the City Schools for hosting the Student City Council meeting and advised that it was wonderful to spend time with the 3rd grade classes. Mr. Davis also expressed the importance of the use of sunscreen for their protection.

Mr. Hawk expressed his enjoyment with the Council meeting and commended the students of the 3rd grade for their. Mr. Hawk advised the students of his elementary attendance years when he was a child.

Mr. Jennings commended the students for the choices that they made for their classes, and the presentation that was given. and the behavior of the students. Mr. Jennings expressed his delight with the introduction of local government to the students.

Mr. Roby thanked the students for their great behavior and preparation for the exercise.

Mr. Winkle stated that it was nice to be at the Student Council meeting and to have an opportunity to hear the student's choices and the impact that each student may one day make on society.

Mr. Lynch thanked the classes for their good behavior and well written presentations. Mr. Lynch encouraged each child to help with preventing littering and stated that each child could make a difference to the City of Washington Court House.

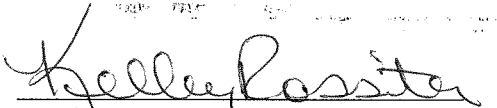
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Roby moved and Mr. Jennings second the following motion:

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Davis, "Aye", Mr. Hawk, "Aye", Mr. Jennings, "Aye"; Mr. Roby, "Aye", Mr. Winkle, "Aye", and Mr. Lynch. "Aye".

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.


RECORDING SECRETARY


CHAIRPERSON OF COUNCIL