SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Winchester City Council held a special meeting June 15, 2022 at City Hall.

Mayor McIntire called the special meeting to order at 7 p.m. with the following council in attendance: Lawrence Coultas, Bill Jacquot, Ron Bell, Sandy Long, Jeff Pittman, Terry Gregory, City Clerk Teri Little.

Also, in attendance were John Simmons, Supt of Public Works; John Paul Coonrod, City Attorney.

Mayor McIntire called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Bill Jacquot, Alderman advised that the gas committee met and they are recommending the purchase of 4 new gas regulators at \$4000.00 a piece and installation in the amount of \$3000.00.

John Simmons advised that they can install them with the assistance of Lindsay Enlow.

MOTION: Bill Jacquot moved, and Terry Gregory seconded to approve the purchase of 4 new gas regulators for \$4000.00 each with total installed not to exceed \$19,000.00. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor McIntire presented a letter from TowerNorth Development, LLC. They have proposed a lump sum payment in exchange for an easement under the area defined as the leased space or leased premises in the lease the city has with them. This would be a perpetual easement for \$80,000.00 this proposal comes with an expiration of 06/17/2022.

Mayor McIntire is not in favor of a permanent easement. The existing contract is for \$500.00 a month for 5 years and after that a 5% increase. This offer will reduce the amount the city would incur if they stay with the current contract. A counter offer was suggested and all agreed on having John Paul Coonrod drafting this for a term of 25 years for lump sum of \$125,000.00. The existing removal and maintenance clause needs to remain the new proposal.

MOTION: Lawrence Coultas moved, and Jeff Pittman seconded to send a proposal to TowerNorth Development, LLC for easement to property at 701 Red Bridge Rd, Site ID IL-51, Winchester South for 25 years in the amount of \$125,000.00 with existing maintenance, removal and restoration verbiage left in place. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried.

MOTION: Ron Bell moved, and Jeff Pittman seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:50 P.M. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried.

Teri Little, City Clerk

Rex McIntire, Mayor