

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING AMENDMENTS/HORSES  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

1 DECEMBER 2022

7:00 P.M.

Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Youngren at 7:00 pm.

Mayor explained the reason for the public hearing to amend the zoning for horses, cows and 4h animals.

Tannahill – complaints from individuals. Change wording that the complaints need to be changed to.

Any two or more neighboring properties. (Expecting that it will be different people)

Fjerstad: What if only 2 out 10 neighbors complain – who wins? Should be able to contact any other neighbors. Not allowing people to challenge the results. Where did the 14,200 square feet come from?

Could we add that we should call other authorities if the animal is abused/neglected.

Bobbi Messenger questioned that we had dealt with that problem previously.

The Department of Ag has a square footage requirement for animals.

Dena Pollock stated Agencies that can take care of the health of the animals.

Diane asked about changing to LAR and allowing two horses and square footage.

Could I get approval for a horse in LAR? [OBJ]

What about as a service animal?

The public hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Youngren called the regular meeting of the Winchester City Council to order.

Council present: Council person Calkins (Morris), Councilperson Lawson, Councilperson London and Councilperson Tannahill.

Councilperson Lawson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilperson London seconded. M/C Unanimous.

Councilperson Lawson moved to approve the bills and fund transfers. Councilperson Tannahill seconded. M/C Unanimous.

Report from City Maintenance Superintendent, Mike Haight. Absent.

The new flagpole will be here sometime next week.

Councilperson Tannahill donated lights for lighting the flag.

Jeremy Heft, Fire Chief, report.

2 extrication call in the last month.

Discussion/Action on fireworks permit presented. (November thru February) Used NFPA code to help set up the permit. Only for winter fireworks. Still recognize state fire season in summer. Permit only for class C. Class B is what we show every year in July – these are managed by ATF(?) Apprentice level training (online) would be required.

Councilperson Calkins moved to approve the permit and application for Class C fireworks display. Requires insurance – \$1 million. Councilperson London seconded. M/C Unanimous.

Wildland fire – new wildland PPE's - Winchester Rural Fire District picked up the \$\$.

Christmas Parade update. December 17<sup>th</sup>. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in December.

Line up starts at 5:30 at Fire Station. 6:00 p.m. start. Ends at Library with Santa and candy.

**Place it on next month agenda.** Animal Zoning Ordinance change. This would exclude cows except in Agriculture district.

All zones would be consistent for the placement of horses and the requirements. It also allows for the keeping of pigs, sheep, and goats for the 4H season with approval of neighbors and city council.

Ordinance 302.

Clerk's vacation time. Carrying over too much time again this year. Can carry over 160 hours. She has accumulated (by the end of the year) 333.8 hours.

DeeDee moved Lawson seconded. M/C Unanimous.

No further business. Councilperson Calkins moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Tannahill seconded. M/C Unanimous. 8:00 p.m.