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The Regular March meeting of the Danville City Council was held on March 5, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located on the Fourth Floor of the Municipal Building. The following Council Members were present: James B. Buckner, L.G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., Bryant Hood, Mayor Alonzo L. Jones, Barry Mayo, Vice Mayor Gary P. Miller, J. Lee Vogler, Jr., and Madison J.R. Whittle (8). Sherman M. Saunders was absent (1).

Staff Members present were: City Manager Ken F. Larking, Deputy City Manager Earl B. Reynolds, Jr., City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., and City Clerk Susan M. DeMasi.

Mayor Jones presided.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Buckner gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation: Girl Scout Week

Presented to: Girl Scout Troop 970

Mayor Jones recognized Shannon McGuirk, Leader of Troop 970, who noted how proud she was to be a leader of this wonderful troop. Ms. McGuirk reviewed the Take-Action projects the troop works on to earn their badges, to serve the community, and introduced the girl scouts in attendance: Miracle, Mattie, and Rachel. Ms. McGuirk thanked Council for the Proclamation, and Council Members thanked Troop 970 for attending.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding Budget Items on the Consent Agenda. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 27, 2024. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of the following Consent Agenda items:

Consideration of Approval of Minutes from Regular Council Meeting held on February 6, 2024.
Draft copies of the Minutes had been distributed prior to the meeting.

Consideration of Amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Appropriation Ordinance by Increasing Revenues from Casino Gaming Taxes to Fund Capital Projects

An Ordinance entitled, Ordinance No. 2024-02.06, Amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Appropriation Ordinance by Increasing Revenues from the Casino Gaming Taxes to Fund Capital Projects in the Amount of \$2,000,000 and Appropriating the Same.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried the following vote:

VOTE:	8-0-1
AYE:	Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo, Miller, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY:	None (0)
ABSENT:	Saunders (1)

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NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION AT PARCEL 58005 TO ALLOW AN ACCESSORY BUILDING WITHOUT A PRIMARY DWELLING

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding a Special Use Permit at Parcel 58005. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.01

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION PZ23- 00507, FILED BY TORRENCE WALDEN, REQUESTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW AN ACCESSORY BUILDING WITHOUT A PRIMARY DWELLING BEING LOCATED ON PARCEL ID 58005 (SPRINGFIELD ROAD) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 3.E, SECTION C, ITEM 23 OF CHAPTER 41., ENTITLED "ZONING ORDINANCE" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Vogler, and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Saunders (1)

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION TO CONVERT A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE TO A DUPLEX AT 912 GREEN STREET

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding a Special Use Permit at 912 Green Street. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.02

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION PZ24- 00038, FILED BY FREDERICK AND LAURA MEDER, REQUESTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO CONVERT A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING INTO A DUPLEX IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 3.E, SECTION C, ITEM 2, OF CHAPTER 41, ENTITLED "ZONING ORDINANCE" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA ON PARCEL ID 21176 (912 GREEN STREET).

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Whittle and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Vogler, and Whittle (8)

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NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Saunders (1)

Mayor Jones asked Director of Utilities Jason Grey to come forward, stating there were several letters passed out throughout the City, and conversations and discussions about the City water. Mr. Grey explained the City received all of its water from the Abreu-Grogan Park area; all the water comes from the intake there. The City has not seen any concern whatsoever as far as any of the raw water coming from the Dan River. If staff did see anything, it would be addressed through the filtration process at the water plant. Staff has not seen any issues coming through the Dan River as far as any contaminants coming from neighboring properties.

Vice Mayor Miller noted there have been concerns from the Schoolfield site, were there any chemicals the City needed to be worried about in the earth there. City Manager Ken Larking noted that was not anything Mr. Grey necessarily would be equipped to answer. To his understanding, with regard to the transfer of dirt from the Caesar's site to the site at 1700 West Main Street, was that the city approved the land disturbance permit and the ability to move the dirt from one place to another. According to staff, all of that was done appropriately and there were no issues found.

Council Member Campbell asked if they could talk about the process of the soil testing, what was done and how it was done. Mr. Larking explained the City does not require soil testing at this stage. It was his understanding that the developer did that, they would likely speak to that and he would defer to the developer.

CONSIDERATION OF A REZONING APPLICATION FILED ON BEHALF OF SYCAMORE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY REQUESTING TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 14 ACRES OF 1700 WEST MAIN STREET (PARCEL 51484) FROM T-R THRESHOLD RESIDENTIAL TO M-R MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding a Rezoning Application for 14 Acres of Parcel 51484. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024.

Mayor Jones recognized the developers, Brent Cochran and Chris Vail, who gave a brief power point presentation on their request to rezone for an apartment project, investing approximately \$40M to bring additional housing to the Danville area. They were proposing to build 204 apartments on approximately fourteen acres spread out over seventeen buildings, which will front West Main Street. They addressed concerns about the adjacency of the development to the neighborhood, and traffic. They noted an engineering firm will conduct a traffic study and the developers will follow guidelines set by the firm, VDOT and the City. The soil that was moved to the site had been tested and was clean, safe and sound. Representatives from the current owner of the property as well as the contractor who has moved that dirt, will explain the situation and put the hearsay about the dangers of the soil to rest.

Mayor Jones recognized Brian Sheilds, President of Best Company, who stated his father and he bought the property in 2005, spoke in favor of this development and the process that has been followed so far.

Mayor Jones recognized Keith Bishop, Vice President of Haymes Brothers, who spoke regarding erosion and sediment control of the soil that was moved to the site. Mr. Bishop noted in September of 2022, they started importing dirt to the site and all the material they put on the site was in controlled lifts, and compacted. They had a third-party testing firm test the soil for compaction and

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stability and did not have any issues. They did not have any issues with erosion and sediment control; the soil testing was clean and showed no contaminants or chemicals.

Mayor Jones recognized the following citizens who spoke in opposition to the Ordinance:

Edward Heard, 461 Country Club Drive.
Jean Vernon, 105 River Oak Drive.
Gilbert Collins, 14 Country Club Drive.
Linda Gibson, 13 Country Club Drive.
Jan Sutherland, 240 River Oak Drive.
Mike Comper, 201 River Oak Drive.
Heather McDowell, 124 River Oak Drive.
Steve Bass, 459 Country Club Drive.
Deborah Dix, Windsor Heights.
Lynwood Joyce, 481 Country Club Drive.
Mel Vernon, Villa Park, California.
Cathy Collins, 14 Country Club Drive.
Richard Semones, 209 River Oak Drive.
Chris Winslow, representative of the Vernon Family Trust, requested Council defer the ordinance.

Mayor Jones recognized the following citizens who spoke in favor of the Ordinance:

Tammy Randlett, 300 River Oak Drive.
Caden Randlett, 300 River Oak Drive.
Rick Barker, 135 Holbrook Avenue.

No one further desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.03

AN ORDINANCE REZONING FROM T-R THRESHOLD RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO M-R MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT A FOURTEEN (14) ACRE PORTION OF PARCEL ID 51484 (1700 WEST MAIN STREET).

The Motion was **seconded** by Vice Mayor Miller.

Council Member Campbell expressed his thanks to the citizens for coming out and speaking. Danville has a lot of prosperity and there were needs within the community for housing. It was disturbing that the main issue seemed to be the soil; there were a lot of questions regarding this, and questioned if a study should be done to satisfy all concerns, including citizens of that area. Rev. Campbell noted he would also like to see a traffic study.

Vice Mayor Miller asked the developers about a green space area along the river, they had experience with green space development in Roanoke; there was a lot of property that was not being used and what were the plans for that. Mr. Vail noted they were discussing a proposal made by a citizen, and their intentions were to donate the lower part of the land or work with the City or nonprofit who could help fulfill some type of public amenity space there, whether a riverwalk type aspect or kayak spot to pull off and rest. He and Mr. Cochran were very much in favor of that. Mr. Cochran noted all that land along the river was flood plain, so it cannot be developed. Vice Mayor

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Miller asked about the bedroom count per unit and Mr. Vail noted they don't have an exact count; the market demand in the area favors two-bedroom units. He estimates 50% of the units would fall into two bedrooms, with 25% going to one bedroom and 25% going to three bedrooms.

Council Member Vogler asked about the study that was done on the soil moved from Dan River, and Mr. Vail stated the dirt on site came from the Caesars Casino site; Caesars had a Brownfield abatement program that took place. Mr. Vail explained you cannot take contaminated dirt from one location and move it to another location; it was against the law. These programs have a lot of red tape around them and were overseen by organizations at the state and local level; the Haymes Brothers representative was a part of that program. Mr. Bishop stated the material in question came from over 30 feet of excavation in original ground for this site, and there was no contaminated material in it. They had their own third-party testing agency testing what was going in, a third-party testing agency was on site watching what was being done and making recommendations. There was no contaminated soil on this site. Mr. Vail stated when they acquire that property, before they can do the development, before permitting, they will have to do their own environmental study regardless of what was on file with Haymes Brothers.

Council Member Vogler asked if documentation of the study was available for anyone to view, and Mr. Vail noted it was done through Caesars. Mr. Vail explained the Brownfield program was a federal program designed to identify former sites that might have chemical impacts, such as mills. In identifying it, it then essentially encapsulates that site and forces whoever touches it to go through a very serious multi-year study and remediation process. It was a very intense, well documented, federal, state and to some degree, local process. Mr. Vail noted there were studies that show that the dirt was clean; as to how they get them, he cannot speak to that as he does not own them.

Council Member Vogler asked if this was voted to be approved tonight, was it voted to approve contingent upon the results of the traffic study or can that be put into it. Division Director of Planning Renee Burton stated that the condition was for a traffic study to be completed, and the result of that traffic study was that the developers will work with the City to carry that out. Mr. Vogler asked, by right, that property, what could a developer do right now that would not require something coming to Council, and Ms. Burton explained the zoning was Threshold Residential and they would be allowed to do single family residential homes. Council Member Whittle asked if anything was adjusted after presenting it to the Planning Commission, and Mr. Cochran noted they did not adjust the size of the development. Some of the comments about the viewshed and the height, they have opted to go with a lower-level building that sits a little bit below the road, to lower the height of the overall building.

The **Motion** was carried the following vote:

VOTE:	8-0-1
AYE:	Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo, Miller, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY:	None (0)
ABSENT:	Saunders (1)

Mr. Whittle questioned a Phase 1 and Phase 2 environmental, and Mr. Larking noted he was just recently made aware that the Industrial Development Authority, which was a separate legal entity from the City, owned the Caesars site prior to it being sold to Caesars. Prior to that sale, Phase 1 and Phase 2 environmental studies were done on the site and an additional study was done from sampling and analysis; these were done in 2019 and 2020 and everything was fine. The site was

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highlighted during the Brownfields Conference for the assessment work that was completed. There was paperwork and that paperwork was owned by the IDA, not the City. Mr. Whittle asked if they will get a conservation easement at the bottom near the river, and Mr. Cochran noted his commitment to City Council was they will absolutely work with the City staff, on any sort of option to promote public use of that lower fifty acres.

CONSIDERATION OF A REZONING APPLICATION FILED ON BEHALF OF SYCAMORE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY REQUESTING TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 10 ACRES OF 1700 WEST MAIN STREET (PARCEL 51484) FROM T-R THRESHOLD RESIDENTIAL TO NT-R NEOTRADITIONAL RESIDENTIAL

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding a Rezoning Application for 10 Acres of Parcel 51484. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024.

Mayor Jones recognized the developers, Brent Cochran and Chris Vail, who gave a brief presentation of the Ridge, noting they were investing approximately \$10M in a new single family home development located off of River Oak within an existing single family home neighborhood. They were proposing to build twenty-four, new craftsman style homes priced at \$300,000 to \$500,000, approximately 2,000 square feet with different models. Mr. Vale reviewed the site plan, noting there will be ample green space. By right, they could now build eleven homes on this site as it was currently zoned, however, they would have to sell the homes for \$700,000 and up.

Mayor Jones recognized the following citizens who spoke in opposition of this ordinance.

Edward Heard, 461 Country Club Drive.

Jeff McDowell, 124 River Oak Drive.

Gilbert Collins, 14 Country Club Drive.

Deborah Dix, Windsor Heights.

Mel Vernon, Villa Park, California.

Jean Vernon, 105 River Oak Drive.

Vicki Robertson, 266 River Oak Drive.

No one further desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Council Member Vogler **moved** for adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.04

AN ORDINANCE REZONING FROM T-R THRESHOLD RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO NT-R NEOTRADITIONAL RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT A TEN (10) ACRE PORTION OF PARCEL ID 51484 (1700 WEST MAIN STREET)

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo.

Council Member Vogler noted construction on any of this cannot take place until the soil test was done and compliance with the traffic study, and Ms. Burton stated the traffic impact analysis will need to be completed and any Phase 1 or environmental work will be completed and in compliance with their permitting.

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Vice Mayor Miller asked the developers to show the pictures of the homes being built again, noting his concern was there was no emergency exit out of the development, and asked what emergency exit was there. Mr. Vail stated they discussed with staff and the Planning Commission what was considered a dirt, emergency egress. They looked at coming around the back of the property as there was sewer easement that runs around the property. In the event of a catastrophic emergency in which the entire cul de sac was shut off, there would be a route through there. This will come through the permitting process and go through multiple departments in the city who will weigh in on the development; they will defer to what they say.

Ms. Burton stated on the rezoning that just passed for the multifamily rezoning, one of the conditions was that they were required to provide a second point of egress. It did not necessarily need to be paved, it was to be gated so it was not for public use, however, it does need to be accessible by any kind of emergency vehicles. That condition was not placed on this item, at this time, but if that was the desire of the Council, that can be added. Dr. Miller questioned who would place that on there, the Council or somebody else, and Ms. Burton noted on the first one, it was there from the beginning, on this one it can be placed on the condition by Council.

Vice Mayor Miller noted he would like to make an amendment and **moved** to Amend the Motion to add that as a condition of this item being developed that an emergency egress be provided.

The **Motion to Amend** was seconded by Council Member Vogler and carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 7-1-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller and Vogler (7)
NAY: Whittle (1)
ABSENT: Saunders (1)

Council Member Campbell asked that the studies conducted on the land and water be made available to the public. Mr. Larking stated that the IDA owned those documents, and they can be made available to the public, and put on the City's website.

The **Motion as Amended** was carried by the following vote:

VOTE: 7-1-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller and Vogler (7)
NAY: Whittle (1)
ABSENT: Saunders (1)

CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA

Mayor Jones opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding the Issuance of Bonds in the City. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the *Danville Register & Bee* on February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Upon **Motion** by Council Member Vogler and second by Council Member Mayo, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.05

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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$16,000,000 TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS.

was presented by its **First Reading**, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADJUST DANVILLE'S LANE MILE INVENTORY

Council Member Buckner **moved** for adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03.01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A REQUEST BY THE CITY OF DANVILLE TO THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADJUST DANVILLE'S LANE MILEAGE INVENTORY.

The Motion was **seconded** by Council Member Mayo and carried the following vote:

VOTE: 8-0-1
AYE: Buckner, Campbell, Hood, Jones, Mayo,
Miller, Vogler and Whittle (8)
NAY: None (0)
ABSENT: Saunders (1)

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPROPRIATIONS

Upon **Motion** by Council Member Vogler and **second** by Council Member Whittle an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO BE UNDERTAKEN WITHIN THE CITY OF DANVILLE AND TO BE FINANCED BY ANTICIPATING REVENUES FROM VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,111,966.

was presented by its **First Reading**, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR A SITE PREP ENGINEERING SERVICES GRANT

Upon **Motion** by Council Member Buckner and **second** by Council Member Whittle an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL STATE AVIATION FUNDS FOR THE

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PURPOSE OF COMPLETING SITE PREP ENGINEERING SERVICES TO DEVELOP AN AVIATION TRAINING FACILITY BUILDING AND HANGAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$95,643 AND PROVIDING LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,539 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$127,182 AND APPROPRIATING SAME.

was presented by its **First Reading**, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM VISITORS

Mayor Jones recognized Pernell Valentine who addressed Council regarding some issues that have been going on. He came before City Council because he FELT these issues have progressed, felt his constitutional rights were being infringed upon and the school board was working together with the police department.

Mayor Jones recognized Deborah Dix, Windsor Heights, who stated she was ashamed of Council; they should have never allowed apartments to be built in residential neighborhoods.

Mayor Jones recognized Mel Vernon, Villa Park, California, who spoke about his opposition to the ordinances passed and his first amendment rights.

COMMUNICATIONS

There was no communication from the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, or City Clerk.

City Attorney Clarke Whitfield congratulated Drake Linskey with the GW Football team who won the Wesley C. Whitfield, Sr., Twelfth Man Award, and congratulated Chuck Vipperman who was recognized for his 35th season of calling G.W. Football games.

Council Member Buckner congratulated Mr. Linskey and Mr. Vipperman on their awards.

Council Member Campbell noted he loves the City of Danville and the citizens. This was an intense session tonight and it was hard to try and please everyone but was thankful they were able to move forward.

Council Member Hood congratulated Rajah Caruth, 2023 Truck Series driver for the Number 34 Wendell Scott foundation on his win this weekend at the Craftsman Truck Series in Las Vegas. Tomorrow at 3:30 pm, Jonathan Hackworth will be doing a presentation on the future of Roanoke Navigation Canal System at the Wednesday Club and would also like to acknowledge SPM Empowerment Skills for their apprenticeship program that allows young men and women the opportunity to change their lives. Mr. Hood noted a young lady spoke with him about her son that was murdered a while back. Council speaks on so many things, about prosperity and productivity, but sometimes the citizens go through other things. Mr. Hood noted he trusted the City and the police department with everything they do from community walks, installing cameras, and solving crimes.

Council Member Mayo noted it was a tough meeting tonight, but they learn, and was proud to be in this position because they all represent all of them. Growing up in Danville, he did not see as much construction as was seen now; Danville was moving. Council knows what they were facing and were trying to see what they need for all the citizens, what makes Danville good and makes Danville grow. The City was going to continue to work hard and thanked the citizens for coming out so Council could hear their voice.

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Vice Mayor Miller noted it would have been depressing if no one had shown up to comment, that no one cared, but people do care in this town and they came and expressed their opinion; Council was there to hear them, it was encouraging. Dr. Miller stated there was a comment on radon; radon was ubiquitous to the soil, with a lot in Pittsylvania County and probably Danville as well. Dr. Miller gave a shout out to Council Member Hood and the warming center; last week the homeless shelter had a walk and raised close to \$30,000 for the shelter. A lot of churches contributed and citizens provided clothing for people.

Council Member Vogler thanked everyone who came out tonight to express their opinions; it was a great privilege to sit here. At the end of the day they try to do what was best for the City as a whole, and move the City forward. Mr. Vogler noted he would like to welcome and recognize Rhonda and Chris Carter who came here to get involved; they were from Atlanta, GA. Mr. Vogler stated a family member recently had a health issue and had to spend a few days at SOVAH; he would like to thank the staff, nurses, and doctors for the excellent service they provided. Also, a shout out to the Suns who won the YMCA basketball championship, and baseball, softball, and t-ball sign-ups were also underway.

Council Member Whittle noted the reason he voted "no" on the neighborhood, it took a direct impact on it and it felt like one per acre would have been appropriate.

Mayor Jones recognized Caden Randlett and commended him for speaking earlier; Caden inspired him tonight and made him realize once again why he was sitting here as Mayor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 pm.

APPROVED:

s/Alonzo L. Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

s/Susan M. DeMasi, CMC
CITY CLERK