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Council for the City of Waynesboro, Virginia, held a regular meeting on Monday, January 10, 2000, at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers of the Charles T. Yancey Municipal Building, 503 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, with Mayor Charles L. Ricketts III, Esq., presiding and calling the meeting to order:

PRESENT: Council Members: Charles L. Ricketts III, Esq., Mayor
R. Jack Higgs, Vice Mayor
DuBose Egleston, Jr., Councilman
Preston B. Hicks, Esq., Councilman
Lemuel E. Irvin, Councilman

Planning Commission

Members: William C. Moulton, Chairman
Portia Bass
Harold B. Stepp

Staff: Schuyler M. Giles, City Manager
Michael G. Hamp II, Assistant City Manager/
Purchasing Agent
J. B. Yount III, Esq., City Attorney
Bonnie S. Hamby, Clerk of Council

MAYOR'S OPENING REMARKS: Mayor Ricketts welcomed all in attendance.

Mayor Ricketts asked if there were any high school (or other) students in attendance and noted that if there were any, they should stand and be recognized and sign the register being passed around so that Council has a record of their visit.

Mayor Ricketts noted that if anyone present had matters to bring before Council that were not on the agenda that there would be an opportunity for them to do so at item #11 on the agenda.

Vice Mayor Higgs congratulated the City employees for a job well done in preparing for the new year. He stated that no problems were reported. He also mentioned that Mr. Reo B. Hatfield had assisted the City in the off-loading of the emergency generators that were in place in case any problems were reported. Mr. Giles thanked Mr. Higgs on behalf of the City employees for his comments.

Mr. Egleston commended Maureen Kelley, WDDI Director, and the volunteers for the success of the First Night Augusta celebration.

Mayor Ricketts asked that everyone stand and join in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Higgs moved that the minutes of Council's regular meeting as held on Monday, December 27, 1999, be approved as presented. Seconded by Mr. Hicks, the motion carried on the unanimous affirmative votes of Councilmen Egleston, Hicks, Higgs, Irvin and Ricketts.

opened the Joint Public Hearing and called on the City Manager for the staff's recommendation regarding this matter.

Mr. Giles stated that the staff recommended approval of the request and noted the granting of an accompanying variance application by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mayor Ricketts then called on speakers, either for or against the matter, to speak.

Greg Taylor, 1625 Second Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, spoke and expressed his concern that another manufactured home in the neighborhood would be detrimental to the area. He stated that a Conditional Use Permit was granted for a manufactured home in that neighborhood earlier in the year and that the home is extremely unattractive and in need of repair. He noted concern that the same type of dilapidated home could be placed on the lot in question if the request was granted and affect the property values of homes in the neighborhood.

Bradley Lane, 1614 Second Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, spoke and reiterated the comments of Mr. Taylor.

Dinah Everitt, owner of the property in question, spoke and stated that they did not intend to place the same type of dilapidated manufactured home on the lot as the one Mr. Taylor and Mr. Lane referred to. Mayor Ricketts asked her to describe the home they have planned to place on the lot. She stated that a home had not yet been purchased but that it would most likely be a two-bedroom home.

Mr. Higgs asked the name of the owner of the home that Mr. Taylor and Mr. Lane spoke about. Mr. Taylor answered that he was unsure of the owner's name but that the problem had been reported. He noted that no efforts to repair the home had been made that he had noticed.

Mayor Ricketts then closed the Joint Public Hearing and referred the matter to the Planning Commission for their meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 18, 2000, at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers of the Charles T. Yancey Municipal Building, 503 West Main Street, Waynesboro, Virginia, for their report and recommendation.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING/REQUEST OF JAMES C. CAUL FOR EUGENIA P. CAUL/C/U PERMIT; Mayor Ricketts stated that this was the date and time set and advertised to hold a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Commission and to receive public comment on the request of James C. Caul, representative for Eugenia P. Caul, for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the placement of a manufactured home on a small acreage lot located at 825 King Avenue, Waynesboro, Virginia. He stated that this request is contingent upon the approval of a pending request for Waiver of Subdivision Requirements.

After establishing that a quorum of the Planning Commission was still present, the Mayor opened the Joint Public Hearing and called on the City Manager for the staff's recommendation regarding this matter.

Mr. Giles stated that the staff recommended approval contingent upon approval of the accompanying request for Waiver of Subdivision Requirements. He also suggested that the Planning Commission consider recommending that the easement that accesses the back parcel be increased

