

**MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
IN SPECIAL SESSION  
JUNE 24, 2014**

**DRAFT**

A special session of the Winchester Common Council was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 in the Gymnasium at Frederick Douglass Elementary School. President John Willingham called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

**PRESENT:** President John Willingham; Councilor Evan Clark, John Hill, Corey Sullivan, and John Tagnesi; Vice-President Milt McInturff; Mayor Elizabeth Minor; and Vice-Mayor Les Veach (8)

**ABSENT:** Councilor Jeff Buettner (1)

## **2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*President Willingham asked if there was anyone wishing to address Council. Seeing none, he closed the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.*

## **3.0 AGENDA**

- 3.1** Motion to appoint Lauren Hawley as a “Ward 3” member of the Winchester School Board to serve an unexpired four year term ending June 30, 2017

Vice-President McInturff moved to approve the appointment of Lauren Hawley to the Winchester School Board. *The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Veach then unanimously approved 8/0.*

- 3.2 O-2014-27:** First Reading – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF MONETARY BONUSES TO SPECIFIED OFFICERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH §15.2-1508 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA

## **4.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 4.1** MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO §2.2-3711(A)(7) OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE AND STATUS UPDATE FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY AND LEGAL CONSULTATION REGARDING THE SUBJECT OF SPECIFIC LEGAL MATTERS REQUIRING THE PROVISION OF LEGAL ADVICE BY THE CITY ATTORNEY AND MATTERS OF ACTUAL OR PROBABLE LITIGATION AND PURSUANT TO §2.2-3711(A)(3) AND (6) OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF THE SUBJECT OF THE ACQUISITION OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND

INVESTMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS, WHERE IF MADE PUBLIC, THE BARGAINING POSITION OR FINANCIAL INTEREST OF THE CITY WOULD BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED, AND PURSUANT TO §2.2-3711(A)(5) OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF THE SUBJECT MATTER OF A PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY OR THE EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY WHERE NO PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN MADE OF THE BUSINESS' OR INDUSTRY'S INTEREST IN LOCATING OR EXPANING ITS FACILITIES IN THE COMMUNITY.

Vice-President McInturff moved to convene in to executive session at 7:30 p.m. *The motion was seconded by Mayor Minor then unanimously approved 8/0.*

Vice-President McInturff moved to reconvene in open session at 8:41 p.m. *The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Veach then unanimously approved 8/0.*

Upon returning, each member certified that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were discussed during the closed meeting, and that only those public business matters identified in the motion which convened the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered during the closed meeting.

*A roll call vote was taken, the ayes and nays being recorded as shown below:*

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
Councilor Buettner	Absent
Councilor Clark	Aye
Councilor Hill	Aye
Vice-President McInturff	Aye
Mayor Minor	Aye
Councilor Sullivan	Aye
John Tagnesi	Aye
Vice-Mayor Veach	Aye
President Willingham	Aye

President Willingham stated he would entertain a motion to appoint Eden Freeman as City Manager for the City of Winchester and authorize the President of Council to execute the employment agreement with her pending the adoption of O-2014-27. Ms. Freeman's first day of work is anticipated to be July 21, 2014. *The motion was made by Councilor Sullivan, seconded by Councilor Clark, then unanimously approved 8/0.*

Mayor Minor moved to appoint Eden Freeman as City Manager and authorize the execution of the employment agreement. *The motion was seconded by Councilor Tagnesi then unanimously approved 8/0.*

**5.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Minor moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. *The motion was seconded then unanimously approved 8/0.*

---

Kari J. Van Diest, CMC  
Deputy Clerk of the Common Council