

City of Grayson
Special Meeting
East Carter Middle School Gymnasium
November 5th, 2007

Present: Mayor George Steele
Councilman Duane Suttles
Councilman Brandon Fraley
Councilperson Pearl Crum
Councilperson Pam Nash
Councilman Terry Stamper
Attorney Jeff Scott
Absent: Councilman Patrick Robinson

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Devotion was given by Mayor Steele

Darlene Gillispie and Terisa Morse gave a PowerPoint presentation in opposition of the occupational tax

Councilman Brandon Fraley gave a presentation in favor of the occupational tax.

Councilman Terry Stamper made the motion to amend the occupational tax rate from 1.75% to 1.50%.
Seconded by Councilman Suttles.

Ayes: Nash, Stamper, Suttles and Fraley

Nays: Crum

Motion carries with a 4/1 vote.

1st reading of Ordinance 16-2007

Attorney W. Jeff Scott gave the 1st reading of Ordinance 16-2007, the occupational tax.

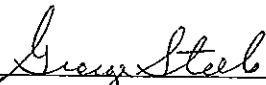
Public Forum

Jill York was the moderator for the public forum. This gave the public to express their opinion to the Mayor and Council. Those who addressed the Council were as follows:

Merry Berry	Mrs. Ratcliff	Ruth Ann Fielding
Cassie Roush	Rose Bush	Stephanie Davis
Jim Hamm	Ernie Gilliam	Millard Cordle
Don Combs	Debbie Kibbey	Roger Whitehead
Christine Neff	Denise Porter	Mike Claxon
Janie Sturgill	Darlene Gillispie	Hope Henderson
Tim Blevins	Teresa Shaffer	Delancey Morse
Carter County Judge Executive Charles Wallace		
Wanda Jackson	(presented a petition against the tax with 1,230 signatures)	

Motion made by Councilman Stamper to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Nash.

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor George Steele

ATTEST:



Cindy Stratton, City Clerk

Minutes were approved on 13th of November, 2007