

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 19, 2022

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 19, 2022 at 5:30 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Dianne Ballard, Bobbie J. Steed, Kim M. Cain, and Annette F. Gaither. Also present were Assistant City Clerk/ Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Fire Chief James “Jimmy” Lee, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Phillip Stinson, and Ray Stansell with the Clay Times Journal.

Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Catrett called roll and deemed a quorum present.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn and Council Member Tommy Cantrell was absent.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order and Council Member Ballard gave the invocation.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the agenda with an amendment to Item Number 6: Approval to donate surplus International Limb Truck to Ashland Housing Authority in exchange for a street vacuum. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the previous regular meeting minutes. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational:

No informational items to discuss.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner

Council Member Ballard reported on road issues on Howard Ballard Drive due to raised manhole.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on a packet of thank you letters for Art in the Park, and the Community Foundation of Northeast Alabama attended the events last Thursday night.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Police Chief Stanford reported on vandalism at the City Park.

Fire Chief Lee reported on Ashland Fire Department events.

Maintenance Supervisor Stinson reported on projects completed such as outlets near the skate park, replacing lights at the Wynn Building, clipping roadway shoulders, and cleaning gutters.

Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Catrett reported on agenda items and tobacco tax.

## New Business:

Council Member Ballard made a motion to approve the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$27,124.91. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving to pay appropriation of \$1,500.00 to Clay County Historical Society. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving LaserOne Communications, Inc. to upgrade phone system at City Hall at an estimated cost of \$4,387.26. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving contract with Avenu Insights & Analytics, LLC for recovery/discovery services. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to surplus International Limb Truck as it is no longer needed for city purposes. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to donate the International Limb Truck to Ashland Housing Authority in exchange for a street vacuum. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Goodwyn, Mills, Cawood, LLC. \$5,500.00 for ATRP SR-9. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Valent Group \$2,061.00 for VFI Insurance for Ashland Fire Department. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving AAMCO Transmission to replace the transmission in Patrol Unit 171, 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe, at an estimated cost of \$5,327.00. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Ballard made a motion approving contract with Clay County Wellness Center for employee/ fire department memberships at a total cost of \$2,000.00. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

## Old Business:

## Resolutions, Orders, Ordinances, and Other Business:

1. Ordinance No. 2022-12-05-01: An Ordinance to authorize the operation of medical cannabis dispensaries within the corporate limits of the City of Ashland.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving Ordinance No. 2022-12-05-01: An Ordinance to authorize the operation of medical cannabis dispensaries within the corporate limits of the City of Ashland. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member Ballard      Yea

Council Member Steed      Yea

Council Member Cain      Yea

Council Member Gaither      Yea

Mayor Fetner      Yea

There being no further business Council Member Gaither made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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Mayor

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Attest