

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 05, 2019

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on August 05, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Billy J. Smith, Bobbie J. Steed, Kim M. Cain, Annette F. Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Assistant City Clerk/ Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, and Tammy Andrews.

City Clerk/ Administrator called roll and deemed a quorum present.

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

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Informational Item Number 4: Reschedule first Council Meeting in September due to Labor Day Holiday, and New Business Item Number 6: Approval to rescind previous approval for purchase of 80 KW generator form East Central Alabama Gas District, and Item Number 7: Approval for Chief Stanford to solicit sealed bids for two weeks on an 80 KW generator with bid opening date determined by date of first Council Meeting in September. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve the previous planning meeting minutes. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the previous special called meeting minutes. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational Items:

Council Member Cain made a motion to put a City Flag at Ashland City Hall. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed a proclamation honoring Tourism Director Lee Sentell.

Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed the Watermelon Festival. Council Member Gaither stated she had received several compliments. Council Member Cain thanked the ham radio guys.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to reschedule the regular council meeting currently set for September 02, 2019 to September 03, 2019 due to the Labor Day Holiday. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on the Ashland City Library by stating the Summer Reading Program was a success with 980 kids and adults attending the program and 1200 books being distributed. Also, 75 kids attended the McWane Program and over 100 attended the Elephant and Piggy Play.

Council Member Gaither reported the Ashland Senior Center's pancake breakfast was a success.

Council Member Cantrell did not report.

Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson reported he has a list for an after-action meeting concerning the Watermelon Festival and everything from the Watermelon Festival has been cleaned. Supervisor Robinson advised he will be with Alabama Power this Thursday. Supervisor Robinson also advised the Maintenance Department completed extra work on 3rd Street and 3rd Ave in preparation for the first day of school. Supervisor Robinson also thanked AGL for the use of the garbage truck and the dumpster at the Watermelon Festival.

Police Chief Stanford advised the Police Department is getting ready to do a DUI Blitz which will start August 16 and run through Labor Day. Chief Stanford advised he is working with the Cattleman's Association on the Rodeo. Chief Stanford also advised his department is getting ready for High School Football.

Fire Chief Thompson reported the Cornhole Tournament was a successful fundraiser for the Fire Department, the Fire Department has assisted on a couple of calls, and he has not received any information on grants at this time.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn reported she is working on the 2019-2020 budget. City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn thanked everyone for helping with the Watermelon Festival and reminded everyone a zoning meeting will be held this Tuesday at City Hall.

New Business:

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$11,979.61. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to pay Alabama League of Municipalities membership dues of \$1,168.46. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Valent Group \$671.00 for vehicle insurance on the 2019 Chevrolet Silverado. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving to pay Valent Group \$375.00 for Quarterly Consulting Fees. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Cheaha Regional Library \$2,000.00 for annual appropriations. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to rescind previous approval for purchase of 80 KW generator from East Central Alabama Gas District. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving Chief Stanford to solicit sealed bids for two weeks on an 80 KW generator with a bid opening date of September 03, 2019 prior to the council meeting. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Mayor

Attest