

REGULAR MEETING  
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 20, 2017

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting at 6:00 P.M. on February 20, 2017 in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium, with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members Present included 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 Jody Brown, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Kenneth Lacy Jr., Hunter Griffin, Christy Craven, Ellen Sewell, and Ray Stansell of the Clay Times Journal.

Mayor Fetner deemed a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Council Member Gaither gave the invocation.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the agenda with amendments, deletions, and additions of the following. Original Item Number 7 to be deleted. Amendments to Item Number 5 Approval to hire Non-Certified Officer Kenneth Lacy Jr. at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately, Item Number 6 Approval to hire Non-Certified Officer Hunter Griffin at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately, Item Number 7 Approval to hire Christy Craven as part-time magistrate at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately. Also included were additions of Item Number 12 Approval to purchase 1 Glock 22 LE with accessories from Ed's Public Safety at a cost of \$429.00, and Resolution Number 02.20.01.2017 2016 Clay County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous special called meeting held February 09, 2017. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous special called meeting held February 16, 2017. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational Items:

Mayor Fetner and Council Members set a Public Hearing for Rezoning for April 3, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. at Ashland City Hall.

Mayor Fetner and Council Members set April 23, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. for open house at Ashland City Hall.

Mrs. Ellen Sewell addressed the Mayor and Council to discuss issues with an inoperable fire hydrant located at 40955 Hwy 77. Mayor Fetner advised Mrs. Sewell the issue could be a problem for Ashland Water Department and suggested Mrs. Sewell attend one the Ashland Water Departments board meetings.

Mayor Fetner and Council discussed SGA Cleanup Day.

City Clerk/ Administrator gathered a head count on which Council Members would attend the Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Conference.

## Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner requested City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn to invite Youth Sports Coordinator Stephanie Freeman to come to a Council Meeting. Mayor Fetner also thanked East Central Gas for a fire place that has been donated to the City of Ashland.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported Ashland Librarian advised she is looking to revamp the genealogy department in the Ashland City Library.

Council Member Gaither reported on renovation progress at the Wynn Building and the need to start on the old Ashland Water Department Building.

Council Member Cantrell did not report.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn updated the Mayor and Council on the installation of a fire place at New City Hall, and agenda items.

Court Clerk Robin Catrett reported on interview process for the part-time magistrate position.

Police Chief Joseph Stanford reported on the Police Department interview process, Police Department case load, agenda items, and the need for new badges for Patrol Officers.

Fire Chief Thompson reported on a brush fire that occurred on Airport Road.

Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown reported current projects the maintenance department is working on.

## New Business:

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the current bills received since the last meeting in the amount of \$9,119.86. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving Officer Cecil Chappell to attend National Animal Care & Control Association training course in Birmingham, Al on May 8-12, 2017 at a cost of \$525.00 and to reimburse travel expenses. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the City to pay Edgar & Associates \$2,182.50 for City audit work and single audit work for grant funds. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving the City to pay \$2,273.30 to East Alabama Regional Planning & Development for contract agreement dues. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the City to hire Kenneth Lacy Jr. as a Non-Certified Patrol Officer for Ashland Police Department at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving the City to hire Hunter Griffin as a Non-Certified Patrol Officer for Ashland Police Department at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the City to hire Christy Craven as part-time magistrate at Range 13 Step 1 effective immediately. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving the lease agreement for the Industrial Park between the City of Ashland and Gary Martin for agricultural purposes. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell approved the City to reimburse travel expenses for attendees of the 2017 Annual Alabama League of Municipalities Conference. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the City to purchase pea gravel from Anderson's Trucking for the City Park at a total cost of \$650.00. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the City to get chairs recovered by John Cope at a cost of \$363.20. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the City to purchase 1 Glock 23 LE with accessories for Ashland Police Department from Ed's Public Safety at a total cost of \$429.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, and Other Business:

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve Resolution Number 02.20.01.2017 for 2016 Clay County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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