

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 21, 2020

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on January 21, 2020 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, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Assistant Police Chief Chase Jordan, Elizabeth Moore and Tammy Andrews with the Clay Times Journal.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn 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 addition of Item Number 13: Approval to purchase 6.5 yards of concrete for the Police Department generator pad and dumpster approach from Brown's Concrete at an estimated cost of \$750.00, Item Number 14: Approval to trade in surplus Ford 555D Backhoe to Talladega Tractor on an Exmark LazerZ Series S 60" zero turn mower, and Item Number 15: Approval of 2020 Jail Contract with the Clay County Commission. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Informational Items:

1. 2020 Census- the importance of the Census and getting the word out about it was discussed during the planning meeting.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on agenda items.

Council Member Gaither reported that the Urban Park Annex is not being taken down, but it is just having repairs made for the time being. Council Member Gaither also reported that she had been researching Christmas trees and that they were very expensive.

Council Member Cantrell reported that basketball was going well.

Fire Chief Thompson reported on agenda items.

Police Chief Stanford reported on agenda items and Skid Car Training.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson reported on agenda items and cleanup due to storm damage from the previous weekend.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn reminded the Mayor and Council that the Mainstreet Workshop was Thursday, January 23rd.

New Business:

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$9,091.44. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve to pay Southern Software, Inc. \$643.00 for renewal support for HRMS for Ashland Police Department. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay AMIC \$360.00 to conduct Skid Car Training for Ashland Police Department on May 18-21, 2020. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to purchase a 2020 Tahoe PPV 2WD from Donohoo Chevrolet at a state bid price of \$32,016.64 for the Police Department. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to purchase two batteries for Engine 3 from Ashland Auto Parts for the Fire Department at a total cost of \$437.98. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve accepting resignation from Dispatcher Viktorija Loyd effective January 9, 2020. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion to approve opening and advertising for a Full-Time Dispatcher position for two weeks. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve SEMS Fire Protection to test ladders at the Fire Department at an estimated cost of \$595.00. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council member Gaither made a motion to approve a half page advertisement with the Clay Times Journal in the amount of \$300.00. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the purchase of 350 bales of pine straw from J. Jireth Pine Straw at a cost of \$3.25 per bale (\$1,137.50). Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve for Court Clerk Robin Catrett and Magistrate Sarah McKemie to attend training on issues involving Municipal Courts on May 1, 2020 in Madison, AL with registration cost of \$300.00, lodging cost of \$110.00, and reimburse travel expenses. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve Librarian Tina Nolen and Library Aide Beth Owens to attend Alabama After School Community Network Conference March 9-11, 2020 in Birmingham, AL with registration costs of \$300.00 per person and accommodation cost of estimated \$140.00 per night and reimburse travel expenses. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase 6.5 yards of concrete for the Police Department generator pad and dumpster approach from Brown's Concrete at an estimated cost of \$750.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve to trade in surplus Ford 555D Backhoe to Talladega Tractor on an Exmark LaserZ S Series 60" zero turn mower. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the 2020 jail contract with the Clay County Commission.
Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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Resolution, Ordinance, Orders and Other Business:

Ordinance Number 2020-01-21-01 setting the salary for incoming Mayor and Councilmembers had its First Reading.

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

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