

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting September 16, 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, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, K9 Officer Adam Otwell, Lilly Otwell, and Tammy Andrews.

Fire Chief Brett Thompson and Police Chief Joseph Stanford were absent.

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

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order, and Council Member Billy J. Smith gave the invocation.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Item Number 9: Approval to advertise for 2 weeks for bids on the Chevrolet Impala that was deemed surplus with the city reserving the right to refuse any and all bids. Council Member Cain 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 Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational:

1. Tammy Andrews with Clay Times Journal discussed advertisement options in the *At Home in Clay County* magazine published by the Clay Times Journal. Mrs. Andrews explained the cost for the advertisement would be \$300.00.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the city to purchase an advertisement from the Clay Times Journal for the *At Home in Clay County* magazine at a cost of \$300.00. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

2. Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed purchasing a storm shelter from Safe T Shelter for \$16,500.00.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase a 35-person storm shelter from Safe T Shelter at a cost of \$16,500.00. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay an estimated \$3,500.00 for preparation and supplies for the storm shelter. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain discussed the event scheduled for December 1, 2019.

Council Member Gaither discussed a Census Grant workshop recently attended.

Council Member Cantrell reported Youth Sports raised over \$800.00 on the opening day for soccer.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson expressed thanks for allowing him to attend red light training. Supervisor Robinson advised the city is working to locate a memorandum of understanding for the red lights on the square. Supervisor Robinson advised the new locks have been installed at the Fire Department. Supervisor Robinson also advised the Council that he worked Sunday to remove a downed tree on Highway 77 near Brown Gable.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn requested anyone who wishes to attend the First Responders dinner to RSVP.

New Business:

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the bills received since the last council meeting in the amount of \$15,179.49. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to pay SEMS Fire Protection \$1,500.00 for hose testing for the Fire Department. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Local Government \$936.00 for annual business license software support. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving K9 Officer Adam Otwell to attend 2019 Law Enforcement Conference September 30, 2019- October 4, 2019 for recertification with a registration cost of \$250.00, lodging at \$15.00 per night and reimburse travel expenses. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to pay Edgar & Associates \$350.00 for 2019 Audit Planning. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving to pay Alabama Law Enforcement Agency \$1,650.00 for SNAP Entry Workstation and LETS access for July 1, 2019 – September 30, 2019. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to pay Southern Software \$4,193.00 for annual support fee (October 2019- September 2020) for Police Department Records Software RMS and Rambler. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay \$2,285.00 for ten Glock 45 9mm handguns with AMGLO Sights and 3 mags per gun (initial cost of \$4,285.00 to be reimbursed \$2,000.00). Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approving advertise for 2 weeks for bids to be opened October 7, 2019 at 5:00P.M. on the 2007 Chevrolet Impala that was deemed surplus with the city reserving the rights to refuse any and all bids. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Council Member Gaither made a motion to accept low bid of \$17,999.00 from East Central Alabama Gas District for generator for Ashland Police Department. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Smith who abstained from voting.

Resolutions, Orders, Ordinances, and More:

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2019-09-03-01 (Business License Ordinance). Council Member Cain seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Smith- Aye

Steed- Aye

Cain- Aye

Gaither- Aye

Cantrell-Aye

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

Mayor

Attest