

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 15, 2020

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on June 15, 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, Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, and Tammy Andrews with the Clay Times Journal.

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

Fire Chief Thompson was absent.

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

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Informational Items:

Mayor Fetner discussed the New Appointment of Mr. Lester Robinson to the EDC. Mayor Fetner commended Mr. Don Riley for his service on the EDC.

Mayor Fetner and Council discussed a Plan to Re-Open city buildings. Council Member Gaither expressed concerns about opening and citizens not following guidelines. Mayor Fetner expressed he was not ready to open the Wynn Building for rentals. City Clerk/Administrator Wynn advised the Clay County Water Authority would like to resume use of the Wynn Building for their meetings, and the Arc of Clay County has requested to utilize the kitchen only for a drive-through pancake breakfast. Mayor Fetner and Council Members agreed to allow the Clay County Water Authority and the Arc of Clay County to use the Wynn Building with the expectation that they will sanitize after use.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to adopt the Covid-19 re-open plan for the City of Ashland. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to resume Planning Meetings. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn discussed software and cost for direct deposit of payroll. City Clerk/Administrator Wynn explained employees have been requesting direct deposit since she took office.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner announced the Municipal General Election which will be held on August 25, 2020 at the Wynn Building. Mayor Fetner explained candidates can begin qualifying on July 7- July 21. Mayor Fetner advised a formal announcement will be placed in the Clay Times Journal. Mayor Fetner discussed Resolution 06-15-01-2020 appointing City Clerk/Administrator Wynn as the Election Manager for the 2020 General Election.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain advised the popsicle parade for Ashland City Library was rescheduled to Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Council Member Cantrell did not report.

Police Chief Stanford gave an update on the generator for the Police Department. Chief Stanford explained the generator has a coolant leak, and a company is coming to look at it next week. Chief Stanford advised he is going to try to get them to replace the entire unit. Chief Stanford also advised he has been working with two young ladies about a Community Involvement plan for the Police Department. Chief Stanford stated he hoped to have more information on the plan at the next Council Meeting.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson advised the culvert on 1st Street has been installed, the Mike Beale Pavilion has been stained, and the Library stop signs will be installed by the end of the week.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn did not report.

New Business:

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the bills received since the last council meeting in the amount of \$9,104.53. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving the Court Clerk job description. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the Magistrate job description. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving to pay Valent Group \$262.00 for 2020 Tahoe insurance coverage. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving to reschedule September 7, 2020 Council Meeting to September 8, 2020 due to Labor Day Holiday. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to purchase AED replacement battery for the Library at a cost of \$398.00 from Zoll Medical Corp. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to pay ROCIC annual service fee of \$300.00 for the Police Department. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase three sets of tires for the patrol Tahoes from TireHub at a price of \$130.36/tire and a total of \$1,564.32. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to give Code Enforcement Officer Tony Hubbard a two-step evaluation raise to Range 15 Step 6 effective June 12, 2020. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving to open and advertise for a Police Officer position for 2 weeks. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to surplus Fire Department infrared camera as it is no longer needed for City purposes. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, and more:

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving Resolution 06-15-01-2020 Appointing Election Manager for the 2020 General Election. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed Resolution 06-15-02-2020 Applying for a TAP Grant in depth. Mayor Fetner and Council decided to possibly revisit this grant at a later date.

Resolution 06-15-02-2020 Applying for a TAP Grant died for lack of a motion.

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