

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2019

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on October 21, 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, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Clay County Sherriff Jim Studdard, and Tammy Andrews.

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 Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Item Number 7: Approval of budgeted appropriation for the Clay County Historical Society in the amount of \$1500.00 and Item Number 8: Approval for Hunter Griffin to attend training in Hueytown October 22-24 for Field Officer Training and reimburse travel expenses (approximately \$140 plus taxes). Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Informational:

1. Previously approved contract with Clay County Animal Shelter, and their failure to sign contract was discussed during planning meeting.
2. Mainstreet Communities and Workshop on January 23, 2020 was discussed during planning meeting.
3. Mayor Fetner addressed all present regarding the recent rumor of the local Alabama Power Office closing and stated he had received a phone call from the local manager that the Office has no plans of closing.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported that the Christmas in the Park Decorating Committee has been meeting.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Council Member Cantrell advised that Youth Sports basketball registration and sign-ups are coming up in November and will be held at the Wynn Building.

Fire Chief Thompson did not report.

Police Chief Stanford did not report.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson advised the Maintenance Department is still working on preparation of storm shelter site, for the public to be aware of dead trees and to try to get them cut down for safety purposes, and the cemetery has just been cut. Maintenance Supervisor Robinson also invited the Mayor and Council to attend Central High School of Clay County Wednesday at 10:00AM for the presentation of a grant for the Bass Fishing Team from Coosa Valley RC&D.

City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn advised that October 28-30, 2019 is when auditors will be at City Hall to perform the annual audit. City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn also advised that herself, Robin Catrett, Sarah McKemie, Lester Robinson, Kim Cain, and Anne Gaither met to go over Christmas decorations for the City.

New Business:

Council Member Smith made a motion approving the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$6,151.54. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Edgar & Associates, LLC \$3,180.00 for 2019 Audit Field Work and monthly compilation. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving Scotty Parker to rent an office at the Wynn Building with a rental fee of \$125.00 per month and to assist with upkeep of Wynn Building for rentals. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to give Melissa (Robyn) Water an evaluation raise with added responsibility of Warrant Clerk to Range 9 Step 1 effective October 18, 2019. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to give Stephanie Smith an evaluation raise to Range 4 Step 5 effective October 18, 2019. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to give Kerry Hamlin an evaluation raise to Range 4 Step 9 effective October 18, 2019. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve budgeted appropriation for the Clay County Historical Society in the amount of \$1500.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve Hunter Griffin to attend training in Hueytown October 22-24 for Field Officer Training and reimburse travel expenses (approximately \$140 plus taxes). Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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