

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 18, 2021

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Dianne Ballard, 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 Phillip Stinson, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Cheryl Coleman from Ashland City Library Board, and Tammy Andrews with the Clay Times Journal.

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

Mayor Larry J. Fetner called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

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

Informational Items:

1. Discuss Library Hours- Cheryl Coleman from Ashland City Library Board addressed the Mayor and City Council to discuss changing the library hours to Monday- Thursday 10-6, Friday 10-4, and Sunday 1-3.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to change the library hours to Monday- Thursday 10-6, Friday 10-4, and Sunday 1-3. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

2. Discuss color of snowflake lights- Mayor Fetner and City Council discussed the color of the snowflake lights. Council Member Cain requested all lights being the same color and suggested the cool white lights. All Council Members agreed on all lights being cool white.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner reported on a splash pad for the city and requested permission to work with Council Member Cain and Parks and Recreations Director Ward on getting a report on what it would take to get the splash pad.

Council Member Ballard did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on a variance for the wayfinding signs for Ashland City Square. Council Member Cain also reported that the Christmas Open House will be on November 14, 2021. There will be cornhole, and food trucks. Council Member Cain also reported Santa can't be here for the pictures with Santa; therefore, we may need to get another Santa for pictures.

Council Member Gaither reported on the progress of the Senior Equipment for the City Park.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Police Chief Stanford reported on Officer Burns at the Police Academy, and the landscaping work has been completed, and we will purchase additional thin blue line signage from Creekside Graphics. Chief Stanford also reported the traffic signs have been installed.

City Clerk reported auditors coming for the 2021 audit and Veteran's Day Invitations.

Maintenance Supervisor Stinson reported on agenda items including the red-lights on the square. Supervisor Stinson advised the County worked with the City on Phillips Street repair, the dehumidifier has been installed and is working well. Supervisor Stinson also gave an update on the Lucas Building. Supervisor Stinson also advised the roof at the Westside Concession Stand should be completed by Wednesday of this week.

Fire Chief Thompson reported on Grand Marshalls and banners for the Christmas Parade.

New Business:

Council Member Cain made a motion approving the current bills received since the last meeting in the amount of \$14,498.92. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Edgar and Associates, LLC. \$475.00 for Audit Fieldwork and Monthly Compilations. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay Alabama Department of Transportation \$2,441.04 for red-light repair. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made motion to pay Nelson & Company, PC \$11,811.50. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous. Mayor explained this was for engineering and design for the Rebuild Alabama Grant.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase parts from Ashland Auto Parts to repair head gasket on K-9 Patrol Unit for Ashland Police Department at a total cost of \$283.05. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to increase security deposit for Wynn Building rentals to \$75.00 and the rental fee to \$75.00 due to renters not properly cleaning up after rentals beginning January 01, 2022. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay Stone & Sons Electrical Contractors, Inc. an estimated \$52,957.10 for replacement and repair of red-light pole hit by log truck (to be reimbursed by insurance company). Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to pay Creekside Graphics \$2,000.00 for signage for exterior of Wynn Building for the Senior Center. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to purchase floor mats for the 2021 Chevrolet Silverado for the Maintenance Department from Ashland Auto Parts at a total cost of \$288.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay Alabama Law Enforcement Agency \$1,650.00 for LETS Access and SNAP Entry for 07/01/2021-09/30/2021. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to pay JSU Center for Applied Forensics \$1,250.00 for contract agreement for training and forensic services. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to pay Performance Auto \$600.00 for labor to install head gasket for Unit 170. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to purchase parts from Ashland Auto Parts to repair 2010 Ford Taurus at a total cost of \$319.68. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase 250 decorated rice crispy treats to give away during Trunk or Treat from Just a Little Frosting at a total cost of \$375.00. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase 200 cookie kits to give away during Cookies with Santa from Just a Little Frosting at a total cost of \$400.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to purchase a Camlocker Tool Box for H&H Truck and Outdoor for the Maintenance 2021 Chevrolet Pickup at an estimated cost of \$659.95. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to give Dispatcher Kerry Hamlin an evaluation-based raise to Range 7 Step 7 effective October 15, 2021. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to give Dispatcher Robyn Waters an evaluation-based raise to Range 9 Step 5 effective October 15, 2021. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, and Other Business:

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

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