

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 02, 2019

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on December 02, 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, and Annette F. Gaither. Also present were City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Youth Sports Director Ben Bailey, Tiffany Young with the Clay County Chamber of Commerce, Fireman James Lee, and Tammy Andrews with the Clay Times Journal.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn called rolled with Council Member Tommy Cantrell absent, and deemed a quorum present.

Fire Chief Thompson was also absent.

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

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of New Business Items Number 4: Approval to pay \$702.00 for City of Ashland shirts (uniforms) for city employees., and Item Number 5: Approval for Clay Service and Electronics to replace right valve cover gasket on 2010 Crown Vic at an estimated cost of \$400.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Informational Items:

1. Tiffany Young with Clay County Chamber of Commerce addressed the City Council concerning the 2019-2020 Chamber contract. Mrs. Young also advised the City Council of upcoming events hosted by the Chamber of Commerce to include the Annual Chamber Dinner that will be held on February 25, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. at Lineville Baptist Church, and the Clay County Fair will be held April 15-18, 2020. Mrs. Young also advised the Chamber of Commerce will award four \$500.00 scholarships to students of Clay County. Mrs. Young also stated the Chamber of Commerce is starting a Junior Chamber that will consist of 9 students from Central High School of Clay County.
2. Salary changes for the City Council and Mayor were discussed during the planning meeting.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner stated the staff of the City of Ashland and the Citizens of the City of Ashland make him very proud to be the Mayor of Ashland, AL.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on a grant opportunity for the Library that would be very beneficial if awarded.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Police Chief Stanford reported the recently graduated Officer Tyler Mastin is currently in FTO training and should be in a car alone within the next two weeks.

Fireman James Lee reported the Boston Butt sale was a success and hopes everyone enjoyed them.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson advised the Mayor and Council that the storm shelter should be set in place in January 2020. Supervisor Robinson had no update on the Backhoe delivery. Supervisor Robinson expressed appreciation on behalf of the Maintenance Department for the Mayor and Council approving a clothing allowance for the Department. Supervisor Robinson stated 160-man hours were used for decorating the City of Ashland for Christmas, the ballfields have been winterized, and leaf vacuuming of the gutters will begin Tuesday.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn did not report.

Youth Sports Director Ben Bailey updated the Mayor and Council on the Youth Sports Program. Basketball Camp will be held this Saturday from 9-11:30 A.M. Director Bailey also advised 80 children have signed up for Basketball.

New Business:

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the bills received since the last meeting in the amount of \$5,297.55. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay city employees for unused annual leave (to be paid 12.20.2019). Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the Ashland City Library to apply for a \$4,000.00 2020-2021 LSTA grant for high-interest low-level reading materials with a 25% (\$1,000.00) match (if awarded) for the City. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to pay \$702.00 for City of Ashland shirts (uniforms) for city employees. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving Clay Service and Electronics to replace right valve cover gasket on 2010 Crown Vic at an estimated cost of \$400.00. 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 Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor

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