

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2026

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on October 5, 2026, at 5:30 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Dianne Ballard, Traskey Ford, Jessica Heath, Annette Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Magistrate Robyn Waters, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Maintenance Supervisor Phillip Stinson, Clay Co Chamber of Commerce Director Crystal McQuire, Officer Tristan Olsen and Tammy Andrews with the Clay Times Journal.

Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Catrett called roll and deemed a quorum present.

City Clerk Chelsey Wynn, Parks & Recreation/Youth Sports Director Raquil Ward, and Fire Chief Josh Nelson were absent.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to orders, and Council Member Heath gave the invocation.

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

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

Informational:

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner reported on fencing at the city park, and a recent meeting with Mainstreet Alabama. Mayor Fetner also reported Mrs. Cain requested to decorate the Robinson Building. Mayor Fetner also stated the Council needs to decide what the city wants to do with the Robinson Building. Mayor Fetner also asked everyone to think about where the city Christmas tree will be placed. Mayor Fetner advised ALDOT will be in the area repairing Hwy 9 near Clay County Rural Emergency Hospital.

Council Member Ballard did not report.

Council Member Ford did not report.

Council Member Heath reported on upcoming Boston butt fundraiser.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Council Member Cantrell reporting closing splash pad on October 12, 2026.

Police Chief Stanford updated everyone on an incident that took place on the square which resulted in damage to the awning. Chief Stanford also reported on new hires.

Maintenance Supervisor Stinson reported on awning repairs from recent accidents.

New Business:

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve the current bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$11,688.66. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion authorizing Mr. Ronald Robertson, Revenue Commissioner of Clay County to assess and collect property taxes for the City of Ashland, AL. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Ballard made a motion approving the purchase of a vehicle lift and installation of lift from Ashland Auto Parts at a cost of \$6,899.00. Council Member Heath seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to pay Graves Fabricating \$6,121.20 for canopy repairs. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Ballard made a motion approving to pay Taylor Sudden Services \$2,033.28 for generator inspection for Ashland Police Department. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay ESO for annual fee and reporting software for the fire department at a cost of \$1,530.50. Council Member Heath seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Heath made a motion to pay Williams Fire Apparatus \$1,976.17 for fire truck expense. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Resolutions, Orders, Ordinances, and Other Business:

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

Mayor

Attest