

REGULAR MEETING  
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 03, 2016

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting at 6:00 P.M. on October 03, 2016 in the Ashland City Hall auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Billy Joe Smith, Bobbie J. Steed, Gail E. Thompson, and Rebecca G. Boddie. Also present were City Clerk Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Court Clerk/Assistant City Clerk Robin Catrett, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Acting Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown, Ronald Wideman, Kim M. Cain, Anne Gaither, Tiffany Young with Clay County Chamber of Commerce, Tammy Andrews, and Ray Stansell of the Clay Times-Journal.

Council Member Brad Wolfe was absent.

Mayor Fetner deemed a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Mayor Fetner gave the invocation.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions of Item Number 6- Approval to purchase 7 chairs for council chambers at an estimated cost of \$770.00, Item Number 7- Approval to hire Carolyn Gibbons as part-time Senior Center Director effective October 04, 2016 at a pay rate of \$10.13 per hour, Item Number 8- Approval to purchase tires for Ashland Senior Center van on state bid at an estimated cost of \$270.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Informational Items:

Tiffany Young with Clay County Chamber of Commerce updated the Council on Chamber News. Mrs. Young advised the Tiny Home Festival did not have the attendance originally anticipated, but it was still a success and she thanked Ashland Police Department for helping with the event. Mrs. Young advised the Chamber has already started planning next year's festival, and hopes to give away another tiny home. Mrs. Young advised the Chamber is also partnering with Clay County EMA and other local agencies to conduct a disaster scenario on October 20, 2016. Mrs. Young also advised the Chamber will be participating in Trunk or Treat by having a costume contest and a photo booth set up at the old city hall location, and the scarecrow contest.

Mayor Fetner discussed needed repairs to the old city hall building and the need to hire an architect to take a look at the building. Mayor Fetner requested the Council's permission to get a price on hiring an architect to view the building.

Chief Stanford advised Trunk or Treat will be a big event this year, it is scheduled for October 27, 2016 from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner thanked the Ashland Police Department for their work done to ensure the safety of citizens attending the anniversary events of Clay County Healthcare Authority.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Thompson requested a time frame on the relocation of the Ashland Water Department.

Council Member Boddie did not report.

City Clerk/ Administrator did not report.

Police Chief Stanford reported department plans for Ashland Police Department's new location in Ashland City Hall have been drawn, and will be at city hall if anyone wants to view them. Chief Stanford requested approval of those drawings be added to the next meeting agenda.

Fire Chief Thompson reported the Fire Department conducted fire education at Clay Christian Academy last week, and they will be at Ashland Elementary this week. Fire Chief Thompson advised the Fire Department has responded to several medical calls over the past few weeks.

Acting Maintenance Supervisor Brown reported grass cutting has slowed down allowing the department to work on other projects, including a culvert on Owens Road. Supervisor Brown reported the Maintenance Department started its bush hogging route this week. Supervisor Brown advised the Maintenance Department hopes to have the swing set and flag pole project completed as soon as possible. Supervisor Brown reported issues with the backhoe that will need to be addressed.

New Business:

Council Member Thompson moved to approve the bills received since the last council meeting in the amount of \$11,573.31. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn and Assistant City Clerk Robin Catrett to attend the Alabama Tourism Conference on October 5, 2016, and have a dispatcher answer phones at City Hall. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve Knight Signs to install signage at Ashland City Hall at a cost of \$6,270.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve the City of Ashland 2016-2017 fiscal year budget. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Boddie made a motion approving the City of Ashland to pay \$1000.00 in registration fees for 2016-2020 Elected Officials and Municipal Personnel Training in Montgomery on November 03, 2016. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to purchase 7 chairs for Ashland City Hall council chambers at a costs of \$770.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion to hire Carolyn Gibbions as part time Senior Center Director effective October 04, 2016 at a pay rate of \$10.13 per hour. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion to purchase tires for the Ashland Senior Center van on state bid at a cost of \$270.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution Number 10.03.01.2016 removing authorized signers for Ashland Senior Center bank accounts. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

There being no further business, Council Member Thompson moved to adjourn. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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