

**ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 19, 2022 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, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor Phillip Stinson, and Ray Stansell with the Clay Times Journal.

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

Parks & Recreation Director Raquil Ward was absent.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order, and Council Member Ballard 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 approving the previous planning meeting minutes. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Informational:

There were no informational items to discuss.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner reported on a poll for the City Christmas Dinner. Mayor Fetner advised employees would prefer the dinner to be held in the Spring. Mayor Fetner stated the decorations on the square look great. Mayor Fetner also reported we are still looking for a Grand Marshall for the Christmas Parade.

Council Member Ballard did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on a grant writing workshop she attended today. Council Member Cain also advised there are plans to make the Open Spaces Sacred Places Stringfellow Park a little bigger for meetings.

Council Member Gaither reported on the restrooms in the Wynn Building and explained the tilted mirrors are for disabled citizens.

Council Member Cantrell did not report.

Police Chief Stanford reported on academy cadets. Chief Stanford also reported on agenda items.

Fire Chief Thompson reported on a fire call at McDonalds.

Maintenance Supervisor Stinson reported on Wynn Building restrooms. Supervisor Stinson advised all that is left is a light fixture for the center of the mirrors and requested input. Supervisor Stinson also reported on the Urban Park.

Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Catrett reported on treats for upcoming events.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn did not report.

New Business:

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the current bills in the amount of \$14,062.81. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the 2022-2023 Transportation Plan. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, all votes were unanimous.

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

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving for Mayor and Council Members to attend Municipal Leadership Institute in Orange Beach November 8-10, 2022 with registration fees of \$325.00 per attendee, \$169.00/night plus taxes per attendee and reimburse travel expenses. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to purchase "go bag" supplies from LAPG for Police Department at a total cost \$1,485.27. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase a sewer pump from Gulf Coast Pump & Equipment, Inc. for the Police Department and City Hall at a cost of \$1,753.50. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to give Assistant Library Director Beth Owens a 2-step evaluation-based raise to Range 11 Step 5 effective September 17, 2022. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Resolutions, Orders, Ordinances, and Other Business:

1. Ordinance No. 2022-09-06-01 (An ordinance providing for impoundment, redemption, and adoption of at-large animas).

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-09-06-01 (An ordinance providing for impoundment, redemption, and adoption of at-large animas). Council Member Cain seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member Ballard- Yea

Council Member Steed-Yea

Council Member Cain-Yea

Council Member Gaither-Yea

Council Member Cantrell-Yea

Mayor Fetner-Yea

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

Mayor

Attest