

REGULAR MEETING  
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 15, 2017

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on May 15, 2017 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 (arrived at 6:03pm), Annette F. Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Edward Waldrop, Freddie Alexander, Code Enforcement Officer Cecil Chappell, Ray Stansell of the Clay Times Journal, Will Parker, Scotty Parker, Melanie Parker, Logan Waldrop, Pam Waldrop, and Mrs. William Wright.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order and City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn called roll with all present except Kim M. Cain (arrived at 6:03pm).

Mayor Fetner deemed a quorum present gave the invocation.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition a proclamation for Eagle Scout Logan Waldrop, a proclamation for Eagle Scout William Parker, and item number 11: approval to pay W&W \$476.00 for the repair of the Old City Hall air conditioner. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the special called meeting minutes from May 1, 2017. Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner recognized Logan Waldrop and William Parker for their achievement of Eagle Scout and read their proclamations aloud.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving a proclamation for Logan Waldrop and his achievement of Eagle Scout. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving a proclamation for William Parker and his achievement of Eagle Scout. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational Items:

Mayor Fetner and council discussed the supervision for Code Enforcement and decided to leave it under the Police Department since Code Enforcement Officer Cecil Chappell is a certified Police Officer.

Council Member Cain discussed the situation of the dying trees at the park and stated that she would like to try other options before cutting them down completely.

City Clerk Administrator Wynn asked the Council if they wanted to hang photos of past Council Members in City Hall. The Council decided that they would try to see if they could locate missing photos and find a place to hang them all.

Police Chief Stanford advised the Council that Dr. Taylor from Twin Creeks wants to provide free maintenance and service for K9 Officer Boyd.

Mayor Fetner advised the Council that a citizen had requested for Clay County High School annuals to be placed in the library. The Council agreed that this should be left to the Clay County High School Memorabilia committee to decide.

#### Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported that Second Saturday and the Music Festival was an overall success but also a learning process. Council Member Cain reported that the businesses on the square were very successful with the crowd in attendance and thanked the Mayor for sponsoring the head liner of the show. Mayor Fetner thanked the fun day committee for all of their hard work to make the event a success.

Council Member Gaither reported that Urban Park is open and the brick memorial order forms have been sent off.

Council Member Cantrell reported that Youth Sports Coordinator Stephanie Freeman is going to try to host a tournament and that the program was going good.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn shared with the Mayor and Council that they were invited to the luncheon held at the Wynn Building on Wednesday for the Kids and Kin Program.

Police Chief Stanford congratulated Code Enforcement Officer Cecil Chappell for winning the officer of the year award at annual law enforcement day. Chief Stanford discussed what would be happening with the Police Department after plans were approved and stated that Trent would be starting this week. Chief Stanford also stated that Click It or Ticket would be starting this week and lasting a couple of weeks.

Fire Chief Thompson reported that the fire department had been pretty quiet.

Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Edward Waldrop did not report

Code Enforcement Officer Cecil Chappell reported that he had attended animal control training and that it was very informative.

#### New Business:

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve the City of Ashland to pay bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$8,628.55. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving the City of Ashland 2016 Audit. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to pay the adjusted Littleton Electric bill of \$4,621.58. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay S.S. Nesbitt quarterly consulting fees of \$375.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to pay Book Systems Inc. \$895.00 for annual Library software renewal. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to renew 3 year Cyberoam (virus protection) from Southern Data Automation for the Ashland Police Department at a cost of \$656.00. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to pay worker's comp. bill of \$608.00 to Anniston Emergency Services. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion approving the Police Department final plans. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving the purchase of a Milwaukee tool box at a cost of \$799.99 from Ashland Auto Parts for the maintenance department. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to pay \$20.00 per month, per vehicle for wireless internet for 2017 Tahoes. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed made a motion for Clay County Clean-up to utilize the Senior Center Van on June 10, 2017 for clean-up day. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to promote Charles Alexander to Senior Equipment Operator with a pay raise of Range 14 Step 1 (\$10.98) per hour. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to pay W&W \$476.00 for repair of Old City Hall air conditioner. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Resolutions, Ordinance, Orders, and Other Business:

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

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