

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
July 01, 2019

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on July 01, 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, Annette F. Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were, City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Magistrate/City Hall Aide Sarah McKemie, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, K9 Officer Adam Otwell, Brandon Bear, Tyler Mastin, and Ray Stansell.

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

Fire Chief Brett Thompson and Assistant City Clerk/ Court Clerk Robin Catrett were absent.

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

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Item Number 9: Approval to purchase ammo from Walter Craig at a total cost of \$326.88 for the Police Department, and addition of Resolution No. 07-01-01-2019. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

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

Informational Items:

1. An update was given on the Watermelon Festival in the planning meeting.
2. The Christmas Dinner was set for December 13, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith addressed the council asking for permission to use the Westside Ball Field for Westside Fun Day on August 17, 2019. All council members were in agreeance and approved the use of Westside Ball Field.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported that herself and the Mayor attended a tourism meeting held by the City of Oxford. Council Member Cain reported that the Mayor of Oxford requested a list of events and points of interest in Clay County to pass along to their tourists.

Council Member Gaither did not report.

Council Member Cantrell did not report.

Police Chief Stanford gave a report on Officer McGraw who is currently in the Police Academy and is scheduled to graduate on August 01, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. Chief Stanford introduced candidates Brandon Bear and Tyler Mastin who were on the agenda as new hires. Chief Stanford expressed the need for another firearm and more ammo for the Police Department. Chief Stanford also gave an update on the eviction process currently going on with a tenant.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson updated the council on the process of getting the park ready for the Watermelon Festival and expressed his concern for the lack of pet clean-up stations at the park. Maintenance Supervisor Robinson stated that he had found some clean-up stations reasonably priced and that they would be ordered and installed in time for the festival. Maintenance Supervisor Robinson said that the walking trail would be sealed next week and that the Maintenance Department had been working on repairing the park bridges in preparation for the sealing. Supervisor Robinson expressed concern about the Northside T-Ball field not being cleaned up after the tournament, and stated that 90% of the right of ways had been cut. Supervisor Robinson gave an update on the agreement with Alabama Power to switch over to new street lights and stated that the lights were being manufactured and the timeline for August was still on track.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn did not report.

Magistrate/ City Hall Aide McKemie did not report.

New Business:

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$8,556.61. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase 10 ton of plant mix plus delivery from Anderson Trucking at an estimated cost of \$2,000.00. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve Ingram Equipment Company to service the limb truck. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve to pay SEMS Fire Protection an estimated cost of \$3,000.00 for servicing Rescue 1, Engine 2, and Engine 3 (including chassis and pump service). Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase tires for 2012 Dodge Ram at a total cost of \$790.36 from Tire Hub. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to hire James Tyler Mastin as a Non-Certified Police Officer at a starting pay of Range 8 Step 1 (\$10.90). Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving to hire Brandon Bear as a Non-Certified Police Officer at a starting pay of Range 8 Step 1 (\$10.90). Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase a Glock 45 (9mm) with night sights from Walter Craig at a total price of \$409.00. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase ammo from Walter Craig at a total cost of \$326.88 for the Police Department. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving Resolution No. 07-01-01-2019. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Mayor

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