

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 03, 2020

The Ashland City Council met for a Regular Meeting on August 03, 2020 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, Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Assistant Chief/Lieutenant Chase Jordan, Maintenance Supervisor Lester Robinson, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Amber Griffin with the Arch of Clay County, David Davis, and Tammy Andrews with The Clay Times Journal.

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

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

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

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

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

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the minutes from the previous special called meeting on July 24, 2020. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational Items:

Ms. Amber Griffin from the Arch of Clay County addressed the Mayor and Council and explained the procedures that will be followed at the Wynn Building for a pancake breakfast benefits youth and adults with intellectual disabilities. Ms. Griffin requested the city to waive the rental fee due to the Arch of Clay County being a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Council Member Cain made a motion to waive the rental fee for the Arch of Clay County due to the 501c3 status. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed Covid-19 and city building. Everyone agreed to leave buildings closed to the public.

Council Member Cain discussed the Watermelon Drive-In on the square, and invited everyone to participate. Council Member Cain explained sanitation stations and mask will be available to the public, and social distancing will be practiced.

Mr. David Davis addressed the Mayor and Council with a request to use the city park for a tent revival on August 24-28, 2020. Mayor Fetner requested Mr. Davis come to the next meeting for a decision.

Mayor and Council discussed the need to solicit bids for the demolition of the Lucas Building located on the square.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to solicit for bids until the next regular council meeting for the demolition of the Lucas Building located on the square. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner did not report.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain did not report.

Council Member Gaither commended the Maintenance Department on cleaning the property next to City Hall. Council Member Gaither also advised the buildings should be torn down soon.

Council Member Cantrell advised the Youth Sports program is discussing soccer and should have a decision before the next regular council meeting.

Fire Chief Thompson did not report.

Assistant Chief/Lieutenant Jordan did not report.

Maintenance Supervisor Robinson did not report.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn did not report.

New Business:

Council Member Smith made a motion approving the bills received since the last council meeting in the amount of \$9,439.93. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Thompson Reuters \$331.00 for 2020 Rules of Court to be paid from Municipal Court Fund. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to purchase a New Digital Camera with Power Supply Kits for the Police Department from Data Works Plus at a total cost of \$1,200.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to reject the bid on boat and trailer. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to purchase color ink from Office Depot for City Hall (2 computers) at a total cost of \$534.68. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving to pay Alabama League of Municipalities \$1,171.97 for membership dues. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Valent Group \$375.00 for consulting fees. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to give Librarian Tina Nolen a 2-step evaluation raise to Range 10 Step 9 effective July 27, 2020. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to purchase 4 tons of cold mix from Ingram Paving at a total cost of \$380.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Order, and more:

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve Certificate of Election and Resolution No. 08-03-01-2020 District 2 Elected Without Opposition (Bobbie J. Steed). Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Steed who abstained.

Council Member Steed made a motion to approve Certificate of Election and Resolution No. 08-03-02-2020 District 4 Elected Without Opposition (Annette F. Gaither). Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Gaither who abstained.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve Certificate of Election and Resolution No. 08-03-03-2020 District 5 Elected Without Opposition (Tommy Cantrell). Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Cantrell who abstained.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve Resolution 08-03-04-2020 A Resolution Appointing Election Officers. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Mayor

Attest