

REGULAR MEETING
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 16, 2017

The Ashland City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on October 16, 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, Annette F. Gaither, and Tommy Cantrell. Also present were City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Assistant City Clerk/ Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, and Ray Stansell of the Clay Times Journal.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn called roll with all members present, and deemed a quorum present.

Mayor Larry J. Fetner called the meeting to order, and Council Member Tommy Cantrell gave the invocation.

Council Member Cain moved to approve the agenda with the additions of Item Number 9 Approval to accept Hurst Construction Value Engineering in the amount of \$420,288.16 for renovations for Ashland Police Department, subject to (1) Value Engineering document to be signed by the City and Contractor, and (2) Supporting letter from City Attorney John Kelley Johnson to Lathan Associates Architects., Item Number 10 Approval to pay Lathan Associates Architects \$36, 765.64 for architect fees for Ashland Police Department renovations., Number 11 Approval to accept the resignation of Ashland Police Department Officer Kevin Trent Adams effective November 02, 2017, Number 12 Approval to open and advertise for two weeks the position of Patrol Officer for Ashland Police Department., and Resolution Number 10-16-01-2017 ACT 2017-367 (Local Unit Retirees and Beneficiaries of Deceased Retirees). Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither 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 Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous work session on October 03, 2017. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational Items

1. Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed flooring and moving books for flooring at Ashland City Library. Council Member Cain advised she would like to research flooring more and present quotes at a later date. Council Members also discussed options for moving the books so the new flooring could be installed.
2. Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed the City of Ashland historic marker located at Old City Hall.

Council Member Cain made a motion to move the City of Ashland historic marker currently located at Old City Hall to New City Hall. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

3. Mayor Fetner and Council Members discussed CDL License for the Maintenance Department, and decided to research the cost and discuss the matter more at the next regular council meeting.
4. Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown advised Mayor Fetner and Council Members of a hydraulic leak on the limb truck that requires repair. Supervisor Brown was instructed to get quotes for the repair to present the next regular council meeting

Committee Reports:

Mayor Fetner advised all present that East Central Alabama Gas sold the property formally known as Ashland Water Department to First American Bank. Mayor Fetner advised East Central Alabama Gas could not utilize the property for their original purpose after a survey was completed.

Council Member Smith did not report.

Council Member Steed did not report.

Council Member Cain reported on playground equipment for Ashland City Park.

Council Member Gaither reported bricks have been installed at the Urban Park, and the Maintenance Department will grout and seal them soon.

Council Member Cantrell reported on the Youth Sports programs success.

Police Chief Stanford reported on agenda items, and advised the Council of a break-in at Bill's Dollar Store his department is currently working. Chief Stanford also advised Officer Hunter Griffin has passed his firearms training at the North-East Alabama Law Enforcement Academy, and he maintains a 92 average.

Fire Chief Brett Thompson reported on agenda items, and advised the Ashland Fire Department responded to a structure fire last week, and performed without incident.

Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown the Maintenance Department will need to continue to run the limb route to ensure all limbs get picked up. Supervisor Brown advised the need for hay bales for trailers to be used during Trunk or Treat. Supervisor Brown advised the Maintenance Department has been working to ensure the Bird Trail is clean for the Haunted Trail, and they pressure washed, replaced rotten boards, and sealed the Mike Beale Pavilion. Supervisor Brown also thanked Jamie Crawford for ditch work in the Bird Trail.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn reported on Trunk or Treat events.

New Business:

Council Member Cantrell moved to approve the bills received since the last meeting in the amount of \$18, 217.50. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the purchase of a steel saw for Ashland Fire Department at a cost of \$1,029.95 from Ag Pro. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving the city to pay SEMS Fire Protection \$1,343.00 for annual hose testing for Ashland Fire Department. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve making Code Enforcement Officer Cecil Chappell the City of Ashland Zoning Administrator. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the city to pay RAMER MANUFACTURING, INC \$763.30 for limb truck repair. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving the purchase of gravel from Anderson's Trucking for Ashland City Park at a cost of \$1,300.00. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving the purchase of 70 bags of ant poison from Lineville Co-Op at a cost of \$1,330.00 Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the city to pay East Alabama Regional Planning and Development \$306.00 for 1st Quarter Membership dues. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to accept Hurst Construction Value Engineering in the amount of \$420,288.16 for renovations for Ashland Police Department, subject to (1) Value Engineering document to be signed by the City and Contractor, and (2) Supporting letter from City Attorney John Kelley Johnson to Lathan Associates Architects. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Smith who was opposed.

Council Member Cantrell made a motion approving the city to pay Lathan Associates Architects \$36, 765.64 for architect fees for Ashland Police Department renovations. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to accept the resignation of Ashland Police Department Officer Kevin Trent Adams effective November 02, 2017. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to open and advertise for two weeks the position of Patrol Officer for Ashland Police Department. Council Member Cantrell seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Council Member Steed made a motion approving Planning Commission Members. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Resolutions, Ordinances, and other Business:

Council Member Cantrell made a motion to approve Resolution Number 10-16-01-2017 ACT 2017-367 (Local Unit Retirees and Beneficiaries of Deceased Retirees). Council Member Steed seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

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

Mayor

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