

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2016

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in special session on Thursday, December 1, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Plant presided over the meeting and Bobby Christmas, Administrative Assistant, served as recording secretary.

Members answering present to roll call were as follows:

Council President Brian Plant
Councilman Perry Cook
Councilman Jef Freeman
Councilman Zack Steele
Councilman Alan Taylor

Absent: None

Others present in Official Capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat
Attorney Rick Stotser

The agenda was presented for approval. Councilman Taylor requested the agenda be amended to include a Resolution for the promotion of Captain Phillip McLaughlin to Battalion Chief in the Fire Department. Councilman Freeman requested the agenda be amended to include an Ordinance for Fire Alarm & Sprinkler requirements for Tenant Spaces.

Councilman Taylor moved the agenda be approved as amended, seconded by Councilman Steele and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Steele moved Resolution 2016-104 to grant a two percent (2%) pay increase to all employees including classified positions under the Jefferson County Personnel Board be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved that Captain Phillip McLaughlin in the Fire Department be promoted to Battalion Chief moving from Pay Grade 24 Step 10 + 15% to Pay Grade 26 Step 9 + 15%. Councilman Cook seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Freeman moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of an Ordinance for Fire Alarm and Sprinkler requirements for Tenant Spaces. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion and, upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilman Plant, Cook, Freeman, Steele and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Steele moved that Ordinance 2016-035-ADM be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Freeman and, upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilman Plant, Cook, Freeman, Steele and Taylor

Nays: None

Council President Plant recommended the Council approve a request made by Mr. David Vinson, Park Director, to host an Alabama Recreation Parks Association basketball tournament that would be split with Homewood. This tournament was initially scheduled to be hosted by Gadsden but they may be withdrawing their bid. If Gadsden does withdraw we would like permission to host this tournament with Homewood. Councilman Steele moved that this request be granted, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook reported that he had received calls concerning commercial garbage pickup whereby businesses were using other garbage services. He stated these trucks are emptying garbage at businesses and leaving fluids on the parking lots and streets and asks if anything could be done about this problem. Mr. Wayne Sullivan, Public Works Director, was recognized and stated this is known as an illicit discharge and could be a storm water issue. Mr. David Arnett, Inspections Director, was recognized and stated this could be enforced by his department and recommended getting the Police Department involved to issue non-traffic citations. Council President Plant requested Mr. Arnett get with the Police Chief to see if something could be worked out to help correct this problem.

Councilman Taylor made a motion that the council go into executive session to discuss the name and character of an employee, seconded by Councilman Steele and, upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilman Plant, Cook, Freeman, Steele and Taylor

Nays: None

Council President Plant announced that the council would go into executive session at this time and would not reconvene afterwards.

No other business coming before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk