

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 28, 2015

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Alan Taylor presiding.

Those members present were as follows:

Council President Alan Taylor
Councilman Buddy Choat
Councilman Perry Cook
Councilman Anthony Montalto
Councilman Brian Plant

Absent: None

Others present in Official Capacity: Mayor Eugene Melton

The workshop was convened and the Council received a preliminary agenda and supporting documentation for the City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2015. The Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned.

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall Council President Taylor presided over the meeting and Lynn Porter, City Clerk, served as recording secretary.

Council President Taylor called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Plant to lead in prayer. Councilman Cook led the pledge to the flag.

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

Council President Alan Taylor
Councilman Buddy Choat
Councilman Perry Cook
Councilman Anthony Montalto
Councilman Brian Plant

Absent: None

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Eugene Melton
Attorney Whit Colvin

Council President Taylor introduced the minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting for approval. Councilman Plant moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Montalto, and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda, consent agenda, and agenda addendum were presented for approval. Councilman Montalto moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook and the vote was unanimous.

The Consent Agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	2,028.00
Non-Departmental	189,483.26
Mayor and Council	7,193.55
Administration	22,419.04
Inspections	3,596.07
Municipal Court	1,595.41
Police Department	22,651.78
Fire Department	13,219.73
Public Works	14,898.91
Parks and Recreation	56,868.60
Library	7,251.21
Rental Properties	207.45
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	454,346.97
CONFISCATED FUND	14,798.00
CORRECTIONS FUND	5,079.25
2014 WARRANT FUND	79,835.52
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	554,059.74

Approve purchase of furniture for stadium hospitality room from State Bid - tables and chairs from Modular Concepts- \$12,980.60

Seminar Investigating Sex Crimes- Bruce- Aug. 24 & 25 -Columbiana- \$295.00 no lodging
Fall Municipal Law Conference- Chamblee- Orange Beach- Sept 24-26 - \$270.00, plus expenses

ROCIC Conference- Fore- Chattanooga- Oct. 4-7, 2015- registration & lodging \$437.00, plus expenses

Approve quote on The Butcher Block demolishing from Milam \$7,800.00

IAFC's Annual Conference & Expo- Atlanta, Ga -Ledbetter & Shotts- August 26-29- registration \$625.00 ea. (no lodging)

Authorize Walter Schoel Agreement- Hydrologic Modeling of the Upper Cahaba Basin

Approve proceeding with Valley Road extension- west end- under Dunn Contract Estimate- \$160,000

Authorize traffic signal warrant study for Deerfoot Parkway at easterly intersection of Happy Hollow Road - Skipper Consulting

Merit increases effective August 8, 2015

Justin Ferguson- Public Works- Grade 7, Step 6

Samuel Filetti - Police - Grade 17, Step 5

Richard Golden- Police- Grade 17, Step 5, plus 5%

Nathanael Holloway- Police- Grade 17, Step 5, plus 10%

Ryan McQueen- Fire- Grade 7, Step 3

James Nolan- IT- Grade 31, Step 9

Steve Pennington - Police - Grade 17, Step 6

Reappoint Ralph Robson to Planning and Zoning through June 11, 2021

Reappoint Lee Leslie to Park and Recreation through February 28, 2019

Councilman Montalto moved these items be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

A public hearing on a request to vacate Allen Avenue and a portion Parker Street was opened. Mr. Reid McLaughlin was recognized and explained that he is the owner of all property abutting these rights-of-way. He recently acquired the final lot that made this vacation possible. All of this property is in woods and the platted improvements have never been installed.

There being no further comment, the hearing was closed. Councilman Montalto stated this action was recommended to the City Council by the Planning Board. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this resolution of a permanent nature to vacate rights-of-way, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Montalto moved Resolution 2015-027 vacating Allen Avenue and a portion of Parker Street be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

A public hearing on a request to vacate Hendricks Avenue and a portion of Rogers Street was presented. These undeveloped, platted rights-of-way lie partially between City of Trussville Fire Station No. 2 and property belonging to Mr. Kelley White, with the property to be vacated one-half to each adjoining party, and the portion of Hendricks Avenue between properties owned wholly by Mr. White to be vacated entirely to Mr. White.

Mayor Melton stated this will benefit Fire Station No. 2 and Mr. White. There being no further comment, the hearing was closed. Councilman Montalto stated this action was recommended to the City Council by the Planning Board. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this resolution of a permanent nature to vacate rights-of-way, seconded by Councilman Choat, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Montalto moved Resolution 2015-028 vacating Hendricks Avenue and a portion of Rogers Street be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

A request to rezone three acres of property belonging to Deerfoot Baptist Church on Husky Parkway from A-1 to Q-C-2 restricted to a daycare only was presented.

A public hearing was opened and Ms. Diane Kavasitch, 7754 Arrowhead Lane, representing Deerfoot Baptist Church was recognized. She stated Trussville needs more quality daycare centers. Even through the church operates a daycare, and she is director, there are always long waiting lists.

Dr. Richard Vest and Irish Mackey of Covenant Classical Schools were recognized and stated they have a contract to purchase this property contingent upon zoning.

Councilman Choat asked if they operate other facilities and was told they have four schools in the Birmingham area and two in the Huntsville area. Some of these are daycares only and others have schools up to fourth grade, depending on the needs of the area. This will be a daycare only for ages six weeks to kindergarten.

Councilman Montalto moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this rezoning, seconded by Councilman Plant and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Montalto moved Ordinance 2015-015-PZ rezoning property on Husky Parkway from A-1 to Q-C-2 restricted to a daycare only, be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

A request to rezone property at 6447 South Chalkville Road belonging to Mr. Joseph Hollingsworth from I-2 to R-2 was presented. This zoning is to bring the property into compliance with its use as a residence. A public hearing was opened, and there being no comment, the hearing was closed. Councilman Montalto moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this rezoning, seconded by Councilman Choat and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Montalto moved Ordinance 2015-016-PZ rezoning property from I-2 to R-2 be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

A request to rezone the Knoll at Stockton from R-2 to RG was presented. This is approximately seven acres off of Bethune Parkway south of Caldwell Drive. This will maintain the RG zoning applied in other sectors of this development. A public hearing was opened, and there being no comment, the hearing was closed. Councilman Montalto moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this rezoning, seconded by Councilman Choat and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Montalto moved Ordinance 2015-017-PZ rezoning property from R-2 to RG be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Plant, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Taylor, Choat, Cook, Montalto, and Plant

Nays: None

Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2015-029 approving an amended map for the Redevelopment Authority be approved. This was seconded by Councilman Choat, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Choat reported the demolition contractor will begin the asbestos removal tomorrow at the former Community Center on Parkway Drive.

For RDA, Councilman Choat reported the board has some good ideas and has illustrations of what our downtown could look like.

Councilman Cook had no report.

Councilman Montalto reported the Design Review Committee approved four signs for Gadsden Nails, for Southpoint Bank, for Mr. Chen Chinese Restaurant, and for Grandview Health. They approved a renovation for 213 Oak Street, a mini storage facility on Veteran's Circle, an addition at 305 Brentwood Avenue, and a modular trailer was approved for one year for Hope Everlasting Ministry Church.

Councilman Plant had no report.

Council President Taylor reported the Board of Education reviewed the performance of the Superintendent at the last meeting.

Mayor Melton reported that we lost a couple of houses when trees came down during a storm last week. There were a lot of trees down in yards and one tree down on the mall. Mayor Melton stated we have two deadlines coming up for a September letting on our Greenways and Walkways project and on our ATRIP Trussville Clay Road project.

Mr. David Nix, 5211 Kirby Lane, was recognized and asked when the survey for the traffic signal would be done.

Mayor Melton answered that a certain amount of traffic is required to warrant a traffic signal, at both peak times and off-peak times. If this light is warranted, the city will ask the County to participate. The cost will probably be between \$80,000 and \$100,000.

Councilman Choat asked Mayor Melton to explain the item on our consent agenda about the Valley Road extension to the audience.

Mayor Melton stated this will be the westerly end of the Valley Road extension at the intersection with Roosevelt Boulevard near H. H. Gregg. This will provide a staging area to build the road. This project will also correct the curve at Valley Road/Linden Street. He stated we are working with ALDOT for state funding.

Mayor Melton was asked about Chalkville Road at Valley Road. He responded that Mr. Pate has appealed the condemnation, so this county project is on the shelf until that is resolved. The plan is for Valley Road to become right in, right out only, with other traffic diverted to Pineview Road where a traffic signal will be installed once Green Drive is relocated.

Mr. Jef Freeman, 308 Woodward Road, Redevelopment Authority, thanked the Council for moving forward to have the dilapidated houses across from Tutwiler Farms and downtown removed. He asked when this will take place.

Mayor Melton stated the removal of the building downtown was on the agenda tonight. The person taking down the other house is recycling the lumber, so this is going slower.

No other business coming before the Council, a motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk