

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JULY 26, 2016

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall, with Council President Anthony Montalto presiding.

Those members present were as follows:

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

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 26, 2016. 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 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Montalto presided over the meeting and Lynn Porter, City Clerk, served as recording secretary.

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

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

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

Absent: None

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Eugene Melton
Attorney Melissa McKee

Council President Montalto introduced the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting for approval. Councilman Taylor moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda, consent agenda, and agenda addendum were presented for approval. An invoice for Iron Unlimited for street sign post refurbishing was added. Councilman Plant moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Choat and the vote was unanimous.

The Consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

	Regular	Addendum
Liabilities	3,785.28	230.10
Non-Departmental	148,463.99	39,523.06
Mayor and Council	201.55	
Administration	7,298.27	3,268.62
Engineering and Inspections	678.41	7,085.84
Municipal Court	679.20	660.00
Police Department	10,009.42	5,772.77
Fire Department	19,925.42	4,565.27
Public Works Department	18,682.41	1,351.35
Parks and Recreation	7,609.98	50,802.20
Library	348.50	9,495.88
Heritage Hall		161.81
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	217,682.43	122,916.90
CONFISCATED FUND	531.38	
CORRECTIONS FUND	4,335.77	
EDUCATION FUND		115.06
2014 WARRANT FUND		377.28
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$222,549.58	\$123,409.24

Reimburse schools for sod and irrigation -\$88,350

Symposium in the Sun- Cataldo and Allen -\$290 ea, plus lodging -Clearwater Beach, FL- Nov. 10-13,2016

National Fire College - Cynthia Jones - Emmitsburg, VA - meals only \$342.60 - Aug 6-19, 2016

Iron Unlimited, Inc. - Approve quotation replace 3 street signs Tutwiler Farms - \$250.00 ea.

Merit increases effective August 6, 2016

Samuel A. Filetti- Police- Grade 17, Step 6

Richard Golden - Police - Grade 17, Step 6, plus 10%

Nathanael R. Holloway- Police- Grade 17, Step 6, plus 10%

James P. Nolan- IT- Grade 31, Step 10

Ryan McQueen- Fire- Grade 7, Step 4

Hire Civic Center part-time- James Michael Knowles

Hire Police officer- John Elbert Middleton, Jr. - eff 08-20-16, Grade 17, Step 1

Hire Police officer- Donald L. Taylor- eff 09-03-16, Grade 17, Step 1

Hire Public Works- Harold Eugene Jones, Jr, Grade 7, Step 2.

Hire Public Works- Jeffery Jerome Bryant, Grade 7, Step 2

Approve Hometown focus- \$10,000

Merit increase effective July 23, 2016- Deborah McCombs- Grade 13, Step 10

Iron Unlimited - refurbish 55 street signs in Tutwiler Farm - \$5,500.00

Councilman Choat moved these items be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant, and the motion carried with Councilman Taylor abstaining on the street signs in Tutwiler Farms.

Councilman Choat moved Resolution 2016-036 declaring Perry H. Cook elected to City Council Place 1 without opposition, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Choat moved Resolution 2016-037 declaring Brian Plant elected to City Council Place 4 without opposition, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2016-038 appointing poll workers for the August 23, 2016 municipal election, and the October 4, 2016 runoff election, if necessary. This was seconded by Councilman Plant, and the vote was unanimous.

An ordinance to extend the Charter Cable franchise to August 1, 2019 was presented. Charter previously acquired Alabama Broadband Cable and assumed that franchise. This action will combine both of these franchises into one that will expire at the same time as the Bright House Cable franchise. Charter has recently acquired Bright House Cable. At the end of this franchise, the two will be merged. Councilman Cook moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure

to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Cook then moved Ordinance 2016-029-ADM extending this franchise, seconded by Councilman Choat, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Council President Montalto announced that due to the municipal election, the second City Council meeting in August will be held on Thursday, August 23, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. The workshop will remain on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 5:30.

An ordinance to declare real property as surplus and to authorize the Mayor to sale a portion of the Deerfoot Property to the Alabama Department of Transportation for right-of-way for the proposed Northern Beltline was presented. Councilman Cook moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Cook then moved Ordinance 2016-030-ADM declaring this property as surplus and authorizing the sale of this property, seconded by Councilman Choat, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Choat gave statistics on the Summer Reading Program as follows and thanked the sponsors who helped make this program successful.

Registered Readers:		Total Circulation	49,421
Children	1,044	Library Visits	33,200
Teens	244	Program Attendance	2,078
Adults	60	Teen Volunteers	24
		Vol. Hours Works	354
		New Library Cards	149

Councilman Choat reported that the bids are out on the Library expansion project.

Councilman Cook reported for Public Works that several paving projects are still underway. The department is cutting and clearing the rights-of-way.

Councilman Cook reported the IDB will meet on Thursday.

Councilman Plant thanked the Council for replacing the two police officers who have left recently. He stated the RDA toured the quadrant they want to redevelop downtown at their last meeting, and it was enjoyable.

Councilman Taylor reported the Board of Education building and renovations are progressing. Cahaba Elementary will open this August. Magnolia Elementary will not be completed

until late September, with the move and opening scheduled for October. The School administrators met with public safety on a school safety active shooter plan.

Councilman Taylor reported Cliff Sims of Yellowhammer News was the speaker at the last Chamber luncheon. Ambassadors were recognized and \$750 was donated to the Explorer program. A ribbon cutting was held for Fresenius Dialysis center. Mr. Rod Bramlett, Auburn commentator, will speak at the next Chamber luncheon. The Chamber is celebrating Seven Months of Celebration for their Seventy Year Anniversary.

Council President Montalto reported ACTA is performing the play "Suessical."

Councilman Plant reported the death of Cooter Simpson this week.

Council President Montalto reported that Design Review met and approved an addition for Healing Place, signs for Sugar Plum Kids, Regions, Alabama Barricade, Jos. A. Bank that is becoming Men's Wearhouse, an addition at Peachtree Assisted Living and a renovation and addition at 602 Parkway Drive, and signs for Ross and Circle K.

Mayor Melton reported Cooter Simpson had served in our police department, our volunteer fire department, and as public works director, and that he had lost a good friend.

Mayor Melton reported the Utilities is finishing the paving downtown. The pre-construction meeting on the Railroad Avenue project is tomorrow with the low bidder Milam and Company. This will clean up this area, and relieve traffic at the traffic signal at Highway 11 and Chalkville Road.

Councilman Choat reminded everyone of the Downtown Merchants event on August 13 at the former Sticks and Stuff site.

Mr. George Glenn was recognized and asked how Charter buying out Bright House will affect that franchise, and was told it will transfer to Charter until its expiration on August 1, 2019.

Mr. Bill Roberts, Board of Education, stated our children K-12 have police officers at school every day. This makes a difference to our kids.

Mr. Jef Freeman, RDA, stated they are considering moving their meeting to the Three Eared Rabbit.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk