

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 31, 2017

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in special session on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Council President Plant presided over the meeting and City Clerk Lynn Porter served as recording secretary.

Those members answering present to roll call were as follows:

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

Absent: Councilman Perry Cook

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

Council President Plant called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Taylor to lead in prayer. Councilman Freeman led the pledge to the flag. Council President Plant stated Councilman Cook is out of town.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2017-006 be adopted appointing Timothy Shotts as Fire Chief, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2017-007 appointing Jeffrey Bridges as Provisional Police Chief be adopted, seconded by Councilman Steele, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2017-008 be approved to authorize a 14-day work period for payment of police overtime, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Freeman moved the resignation of Krystin Godfrey, Administrative Assistant in the Inspections Department be accepted, seconded by Councilman Steele, and the motion carried.

Councilman Freeman moved Inspections Supervisor David Arnett be authorized to fill this vacancy, seconded by Councilman Steele, and the motion carried.

Mayor Choat welcomed the members of the police and fire departments, department heads, families, Chamber and School representatives who came out today in support of Tim Shotts and Jeff

Bridges. We have filled two important positions today. These are coveted jobs, and we had a lot of good applicants, but we felt that these two employees who have been with the city for many years were the best choice for the positions. He stated he has worked with both of them in the three months that he has been here, and they have helped him to understand how these departments operate.

Mayor Choat stated Chief Shotts was born and raised in this community and graduated from Hewitt. He has advanced through the Fire Department ranks, and done a good job in every position he has held.

Fire Chief Tim Shotts was recognized and stated he wants to do a good job, and he feels that the way to do a good job is to surround yourself with good people. He stated he has the best.

Mayor Choat stated Chief Bridges started with our department as a dispatcher before leaving to join the Air Force. He returned to Trussville as a patrol officer, and was promoted to sergeant, lieutenant, and became the first Captain in Trussville.

Provisional Police Chief Jeff Bridges was recognized and stated he appreciated this opportunity. He also told Chief Shotts that his people were better than his are.

Council President Plant stated it was a great privilege to work with these men. He stated the city is proud of both departments and what they do.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk