

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

MARCH 28, 2017

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, March 24, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall, with Council President Brian Plant presiding.

Those members present 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

The workshop was convened and the Council received a preliminary agenda and supporting documentation for the City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017.

Mayor Choat introduced several items, some to possibly be considered on Tuesday and some informational items.

Mr. Cliff White was to update us tonight on the Creekside development, but he is not here.

He stated a job description for a code enforcement office/crisis training officer is included in the Council packet. This will be a police officer who answers to the police chief, however, this person will assist the building inspections department in addressing violations and will assist the business license clerk in enforcing license collections. This item was added to the agenda.

He stated a copy of Birmingham's Food Truck Ordinance is in your packet. We are looking at several before we draft something for Trussville.

He stated a statement of the number of sick days that Stacy Frazier accrued while working for the Board of Education has been included. Since she did not come from another Personnel Board jurisdiction, her hours did not come over. When transferring from a Personnel Board jurisdiction, the receiving city has an option to accept none, some or all accrued leave of the new employee. When employees come from jurisdictions outside of the Personnel Board merit system or from the private sector, traditionally no leave is transferred. This position is a political appointee. We have a city resolution that grants the same leave accruals and use restrictions to non-classified employees as to classified employees since labor and Library positions are not classified positions under the Personnel Board. In the past political appointees have fallen under this resolution. These accrued sick days have been converted to sick hours for our system and a liability value assigned for the Council's consideration. This item was added to the agenda.

School Board appointments were discussed. We have received several applications for the open position, and a date for interviews will be set soon.

Mayor Choat stated we are working on a speed cushion draft.

The HVAC contract was discussed. Mayor Choat stated some departments are fine with the contractor we have and others are not satisfied with the work being done. The contract was for annual renewals up to three years with the approval of both sides, and it is time for the third year renewal. The City Clerk has called the League of Municipalities and they say that the contract cannot be renewed for some and not others. The choice is to renew the contract as is, or to cancel the contract and rebid. If we cancel the contract, the satisfied departments can continue to use the

current contractor and the others can use an alternate contractor during the time it takes to go through the bid process without exceeding the bid limit.

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, March 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Plant presided over the meeting and Lynn Porter, City Clerk, served as recording secretary.

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

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

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

Absent: Councilman Zack Steele

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

Council President Plant introduced the minutes of the March 14, 2017 meeting for approval. Councilman Cook moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda and consent agenda were presented for approval. Mayor Choat asked that approving the bid to fill the IDB pond, appointing Mr. Bill Lowery to the Planning and Zoning Board, reappointing Mr. Max Bender to the BZA, and reappointing Mr. Morris Deason to the Park and Recreation Board be to the agenda. Councilman Taylor moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman and the vote was unanimous.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	150.00
Non-Departmental	14,167.10
Administration	3,956.59
Engineering and Inspections	793.19
Municipal Court	23.98
Police Department	11,848.74
Fire Department	9,042.03
Street Department	10,609.98
Parks and Recreation	24,228.95
Library	22,784.11
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	97,604.67
CORRECTIONS FUND	737.60
2014 WARRANT FUND	66,222.05
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	164,564.32

NASRO - Findley, Williams, Hicks, Fuell - Washington, DC - July 23-28 - Lodging and Travel
GPS tracking software - \$378.00 plus 19.99 activation, plus \$39.95 per month
Merit increases effective April 1, 2017

Police

Keith Edward Fuell - Grade 17, Step 6, plus 10%
Bobby J. Tomlin - Grade 17, Step 7
James C. McCool - Grade 17, Step 7, step 5

Fire

Jonathan David Atkins - Grade 17, Step 9
David Andrew Griffith - Grade 17, Step 9, plus 10%
Brandon M. Jones - Grade 17, Step 9, plus 5%
James Moore - Grade 24, Step 9, plus 15%

Library

Maura I. Davies - Grade 18, Step 5
Lindsey B. Kelley - Grade 13, Step 7

Public Safety Committee

James Isom	Jan. 11, 2018 (Move to John Griscom's term)
John Griscom	Jan. 11, 2019 (Move to Eddie Seal's term)
Sarah Nafziger	Jan. 11, 2018
Eddie Seal	Jan. 11, 2020 (Move to James Isom's term)
John Birmingham	Jan. 11, 2019

Reappoint Debbie Waid to Library Board through October 25, 2021

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

Mary Louise Kennedy	April 14, 2021
Carmen LaFosse	April 14, 2019
LaRue Meadows	April 14, 2020
Bobbie Rush	April 14, 2019

Resignation Library - Cathy Beadlecomb

Resignation Public Works - Denise Sims

Approve hiring Code Enforcement Officer/Crisis Training Instructor

Transfer of sick day balance for Stacy Frazier from TCS

Appoint Mr. Bill Lowery to the Planning and Zoning Board

Reappoint Mr. Max Bender to the BZA

Reappoint Mr. Morris Deason to the Park and Recreation Board

Councilman Taylor moved these items be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2017-016 declaring a Park and Recreation Chevrolet S-10 vehicle as surplus be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Freeman moved Resolution 2017-017 declaring outdated or inoperable supplies in the Administrative department as surplus be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved Proclamation 2017-009 on Parental Alienation be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of an ordinance to establish a combined fire department, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Plant, Cook, Freeman, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Taylor then moved Ordinance 2017-017-PS combining the paid and volunteer Fire Departments into one unit be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Plant, Cook, Freeman, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2017-018 awarding the bid to fill the pond in the industrial park to Milam and Company at a cost of \$83,752.00 be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook reported the Utility Board met yesterday. They are re-mapping their water and gas lines. The IDB met and discussed the results of their lawsuit and filling the pond in the industrial park.

Councilman Freeman stated the Board of Education met on March 20 and honored special education students with Downs Syndrome. He stated recognition of this group is done on 3-21, having to do with the location of the mutation on the chromosome that causes this condition. He stated he would like to see us recognized this date next year.

Councilman Freeman reported Design Review approved several signs and the guard house at Tutwiler Farms.

Councilman Taylor reported the Chamber Leadership Conference was a success. Sarah Patterson, former gymnastics coach at the University of Alabama was the key note speaker. The Spring Carnival will be held this week Wednesday through Sunday. The Chamber will hold a shred day. The ribbon cutting for Hobby Lobby will be on April 10. The Chamber luncheon will be on April 20 with UAB Coach Bill Clark as speaker. CityFest will be on May 6.

Mayor Choat reported that Railroad Avenue is open. He reported that there is a leak at our existing Library. The small drainage project in Water Oaks is completed. We are interviewing for the Tennis Center Director position. We are cleaning up Heritage Hall. Our first City Council planning session was informative. The next one will be held on April 18 at 6:00.

Councilman Taylor asked about the Greenways project and Mayor Choat stated he will meet with ALDOT on Thursday. He urged people to stay out of the park until it is officially open. We still have work to do on the bridges.

Mr. Sam Winbush, Pineview Road, was recognized and asked if any progress had been made toward getting their area cleaned up, and asked about getting street lights installed.

Mayor Choat stated Building Official David Arnett has identified what properties are in the city and which are in the county. We have discussed steps to address the problem. He stated he would look into the street light issue.

Mayor Choat stated Alabama Power has replaced street lights on Main Street in front of City Hall with LED lights. The next few have not been replaced, and the lights nearer the Chalkville Road intersection are a different type of LED light.

Mr. Richard Epstein, Boulder Drive, stated the city needs to put a sign on the former Braden's building telling their intentions.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk