

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

MAY 9, 2017

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Tuesday, May 9 at 5:00 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 at 6:00 p.m.. The Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

Councilman Freeman stated he would like for us to send out an RFP for a financial advisor. This would not be an employee, but rather a contract. Discussion followed on whether our current bond group performs this service on our behalf versus their acting as bond underwriter looking out for their own interests rather than the city's interests. There was also discussion about the use of a financial advisor for a municipality our size.

A dog park agreement that has been reviewed by the dog park auxiliary, the Park Board and our attorney, was presented for discussion. Councilman Taylor asked who would monitor the age of the animal and whether it had been spade or neutered, or if it has a history of aggressive behavior?

Ms. Jaime Anderson, Lexie Circle, stated, as in many public parks, rules are posted, but not monitored daily. If issues arise, they will be addressed.

Ms. Cindy Underwood confirmed that there are no breed exclusions, as there is no breed restrictive legislation. They promote responsible dog ownership.

Councilman Choat stated there is a section in the agreement that indemnifies the city.

Food trucks were brought up, but members had not had time to review the information provided. A brief summary was given and input was requested from the Council.

Discussion followed on removing the paper from the windows at Braden's, the sign at the BOE, the narrow road condition in the curve on Chalkville Road and in places on Trussville Clay Road, RDA facade grants, and sign ordinance violations.

Councilman Steele updated the Council on the status of the Legislative annexation request for the 10 acres surrounded by Carrington Lakes.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned.

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, May 9, 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 Cook 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 Zack Steele  
Councilman Alan Taylor

Absent: None

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

Council President Plant introduced the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting and the May 2, 2017 meeting for approval. Councilman Steele moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

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

Mr. David Barber, Will Keith Road, former Jefferson County District Attorney, thanked the City Council for their support of Prescott House.

The Consent Agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	19,442.17
Non-Departmental	416,704.76
Administration	43,427.45
Inspections	4,128.97
Municipal Court	5,689.97
IT Department	73.50
Police Department	31,853.60
Fire Department	12,200.06
Public Works Department	14,434.21
Parks and Recreation	65,395.16
Library	3,494.41
Rental Property	203.46
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	793,137.74
COURT FUND	159.80
CONFISCATED FUND	2,305.20
CORRECTIONS FUND	4,470.09
STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND	98,054.56
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	898,127.39

Petty Cash reimbursement \$364.00

Approve caulking and painting in Police Chief's office - Robbins - \$840.00

Approve refurbishing restroom in police department - Robbins - \$2,565.00

Lodging 13 weeks - Wilson - Tuscaloosa - for police academy - \$5,905.25

List of items to be purchased for police from seized funds - \$16,025.00

(Various types of items requiring various vendors - not subject to bid law)

USPTA Southern (Public Tennis Conf.) - Zeitvogel - Lafayette, LA, May 18-20

- \$250.00 plus hotel \$246.34 (Registration Grant applied for, but no response to date)

Merit increases effective May 13, 2017

Pamela Hasty - Park & Rec - Grade 7, Step 3  
 Kristopher D. Lovvorn - Fire - Grade 17, Step 9  
 Upgrade Donna Fox from Laborer to Rec Leader, Grade 12, Step 2  
 Hire Park Laborers (to maintain Greenway among other duties)  
     Jessie Sewell, Grade 7, Step 2  
     John Layton, Grade 7, Step 2  
 Hire Jacob Price - part-time tennis facility - Grade 6, Step 1  
 Hire John Lockhart - seasonal laborer - Grade 6, Step 1  
 Move from Parks part-time to seasonal Pool Manager - Grade 12, Step 2  
     Amy Kuhn  
     Eli Rollins  
 Hire Lifeguards - seasonal  
     Patrick Underwood - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Mason Rollins - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Marc Weber - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Kelly Ryan - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Caleb Rigg - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Nick Rayburn - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Joshua Monski - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Haley Harrison - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Meighan Julbert - Grade 7, Step 2  
     Anna Partee - Grade 7, Step 1  
     Casey Dunn - Grade 7, Step 1  
     Andrew Williams - Grade 7, Step 1  
     William Foster - Grade 7, Step 1  
 Hire John C. Shirley - Public Works laborer, Grade 7, Step 2 - pending physical  
 Appoint Dwight Turnipseed to IDB to replace Banks Dorsett through July 14, 2023

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

The Momma Goldberg's alcohol license requests was reconsidered. The prior license, and the transfer application pending are for a Restaurant Retail Liquor license. That application cannot be approved in part, but rather will have to be voted up or down. Councilman Taylor moved this application be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Freeman stated we had twelve applications for the vacancy on the school board. Each was interviewed by the Mayor and one to two members of the Council, and the three finalists were interviewed in a public meeting of the City Council. Mr. Steve Ward was selected from this candidate pool. Councilman Freeman moved Steve Ward be appointed to fill the vacancy for a term through May 25, 2017.

Council President Plant stated all of these were high quality applicants.

Councilman Freeman stated our schools are important to the city, and we in turn entrust our Board of Education and teachers with our most prized possessions - our children.

The vote to approve was unanimous.

Ms. Tandi Glenn Smith has been recommended by the Park and Recreation Board to fill the remainder of the unexpired term vacated by Steve Ward through February 28, 2018. Councilman Steele moved the recommendation of Tandi Smith for this appointment be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

An ordinance to increase the number of citizen members on the Public Safety Committee from four to five and to allow the option for the Mayor to serve as an ex-officio member or to appoint someone to serve in his stead, was presented. Councilman Taylor moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Taylor moved Ordinance 2017-020-PS be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Steele moved Resolution 2017-022 on a perpetual maintenance agreement between the City of Trussville and the City of Birmingham on the Roebuck Industrial Parkway extension be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and the vote was unanimous.

A request to annex property at 7000 Pannell Road was presented. Councilman Freeman moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Freeman moved Ordinance 2017-021-ANX be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

A request to annex property at 6972 Pannell Road was presented. Councilman Freeman moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Freeman moved Ordinance 2017-022-ANX be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

A request to annex property at 6857 Candlewood Lane was presented. Councilman Freeman moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Taylor moved Ordinance 2017-023-ANX be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

A request to annex property at 6614 Limbaugh Loop was presented. Councilman Freeman moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Taylor moved Ordinance 2017-024-ANX be adopted as presented, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Freeman asked for a vote on whether to request proposals for a financial advisor. He moved this be done, seconded by Councilman Cook. Councilman Taylor asked for a roll call. Upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Plant, Cook, Freeman and Steele

Nays: Taylor

Council President Plant announced the Historical Committee will open the museum on Sunday, May 21, from 2-4. They are planning activities to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city.

Councilman Cook carried his report over.

Councilman Freeman stated Inspections is working on a list of properties that need to be cleaned up. Planning and Zoning gave final approval to Stockton, Phase 7B, and approved lot resurveys on Vann Circle and on Advent Circle. Design Review approved several signs.

For Education Councilman Freeman reported we have a new board member as of tonight. The schools have scored high marks, and we have a lot to be proud of with our system and our facilities.

Councilman Steele reported for Parks and Recreation that we hosted the State track meet and a travel baseball tournament last weekend. Our spring sports seasons were successful and are coming to a close. Our Senior Center has fifty participants in an exercise program.

For Public Works he reported we are finishing up on Vann Road by the end of the month. ACTA will perform "Annie" in July.

Councilman Taylor gave the fire report as follows:

Total Responses	286	Assists	35
Medical	172	False Alarms	32
Motor Vehicle Accidents	16	Hazardous Materials	2
Patients Transported	108	Brush/Woods Fire	1
		Structure Fire	2

Vehicle Fire	1	Trees/Lines Down	9
Burn Complaint	3	Mutual Aid Given	4

He reported we hosted an Explorer Competition with 10 departments and 18 teams. Repairs are almost complete on the restrooms at Station 3. The annual ladder testing is completed and the annual hydrant testing is almost complete. The fire department will celebrate its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary in along with the city celebration in June.

Mayor Choat stated the husband of Library Director Emily Tish has had heart surgery. The Greenways fencing is coming down, and we will begin to clean up the area. The sight view issue on Alabama Boulevard has been taken care of. The school zone stripping will be done within the next two weeks.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter  
City Clerk