

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 10, 2018

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, April 5, 2018 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 Perry Cook
Councilman Jef Freeman
Councilman Brian Plant
Councilman Zack Steele

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, April 10, 2018. 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, April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Taylor presided over the meeting and City Clerk Lynn Porter served as recording secretary.

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

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

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Attorney Rick Stotser

Council President Taylor introduced the minutes of the March 27, 2018 meeting for approval. Councilman Steele moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Bill Veitch, Sandy Cove, Hoover, candidate for District Attorney, was recognized. Mr. Veitch stated he was a Birmingham police officer for seven years, practiced law, and was District Attorney in the Bessemer division for sixteen years. He stated he is running on the Republican ticket. He is police friendly, and wants to be accessible in the community, rather than running the office from behind a desk. He asked for support.

Mr. Richard Epstein, Boulder Drive, asked about a traffic signal at Brookes Crossing and at Green Drive. He stated the Braden building looks terrible and asked when something will be done with it.

Mayor Choat stated ALDOT has stated a light is warranted at Brookes Crossing, but we do not have a time line. The light at Green Drive is approved as a part of a County project. The power poles on the Braden corner are going to be moved. Right now these poles tie four power substations together that feed all over Trussville. We want to make sure those poles are out of the way before we do anything.

Mr. Jim Wolfe, York Street, asked about the trailer with the antenna at WalMart.

Chief Bridges stated this is a tag reader so that the department can determine who is going into and out of the area. It is moved around periodically.

Mr. Wolfe stated the pedestrian crossing button at Chalkville Road and Main Street is not working.

Mayor Choat stated he was not aware of this, and that we will check this out.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	18,478.36
Non-Departmental	236,023.99
Mayor and Council	661.92
Administration	5,733.25
Inspections	11,336.52
Municipal Court	1,568.17
Information Technology	1,302.11
Police Department	36,976.99
Fire Department	17,774.94
Public Works	7,763.78
Garbage	171,507.70
Parks and Recreation	51,379.74
Library	2,324.30
Rental Property	401.61
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	563,233.38
HISTORICAL FUND	2,100.00
STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND	708.05
MUNICIPAL COURT FUND	1,933.00
CORRECTIONS FUND	4,776.06
2017 WARRANT FUND	116,727.43
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	689,477.92

Prestige Alarm - Library security - \$14,590.59

Public Agency Training Council - PD - Chad Jones - July 9-11 - Bham- \$325.00

Dangerous Dog/Animal Cruelty - Court - Downing - May 7 - B'ham - \$100.00

Dangerous Dog/Animal Cruelty - PD - Bradford & Bruce - May 7 - B'ham - \$100.00 ea.

Investigative Interviewing & Interrogation - PD - Hicks - May 1-4 - Atlanta - \$795.00

NASRO Adolescent Mental Health Training - Bowen, Fuell, Lawrence, Browning, Findley, & Cardwell - June 11-12 - Baton Rouge, LA - \$225.00 ea. (\$1,350.00 total) Plus lodging & expenses

Merit increases effective April 14, 2018

Police - Robert Bernard Antonio - Grade 17, Step 8

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Fire - Michael D. Hicks - Grade 17, Step 6

Street - Gary Wayne Daugherty - Grade 7, Step 8
 Park & Rec - Kelly Wright Lloyd - Grade 12, Step 6
 Approve catering service agreement at Civic Center
 Jeremy Dunn, Police - Educational incentive - 10%
 Appoint Mark Sims to Board of Education through May 25, 2023 (replace Sid McNeal)
 Hire Public Works - Joseph Brock Williams - Grade 7, Step 2 - upon physical
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 Approve Prescott House contract child abuse investigation - \$2,500.00
 Library Change Order 49 R3 - smoke detectors - \$4,281.00 (approved up to \$4,000)
 Library Change Order 53 - Electrical work - \$2,559.00
 Library Change Order 55 - Reconcile allowances - <-\$26,660.00>
 Park & Recreation Seasonal workers - (all of these are current or returning)
 Amy Kuhn, Pool Manager, Grade 12, Step 4, effective 4-30-18
 Eli Rollins, Pool Manager, Grade 12, Step 4, effective 4-30-18
 Kenny Ryan, Lifeguard, Grade 7, Step 3, effective 5-7-18
 Anna Partee, Lifeguard, Grade 7, Step 2, effective 5-7-18
 Caleb Rigg, Lifeguard, Grade 7, Step 3, effective 5-7-18
 Casey Dunn, Lifeguard, Grade 7, Step 2, effective 5-7-18
 Christian Depew, Lifeguard, Grade 7, Step 2, effective 5-7-18
 ADA Compliance expense - Authorize Precision Concrete Cutting to work on sidewalk trip hazards-
 \$24,033.88

Councilman Freeman moved these items be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant. Councilman Freeman stated we did a thorough search before deciding on Mark Sims as our next School Board member. He works for Stryker Medical, a major medical equipment supplier. He has served on the Jefferson County 911 Board and on the Center Point Fire Board. The vote was unanimous. Dr. Pattie Neill and Board member Steve Ward thank the Council for this appointment.

Councilman Steele stated Park and Recreation employee Jackie Hollis is retiring effective May 1. David Vinson stated she has been a good employee on our cleaning staff, but recently has had health problems, and decided to retire after ten years.

Councilman Plant moved that the agenda be amended to include an executive session at the end of the regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Steele, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Plant moved the Council go into executive session to discuss potential litigation and real estate transactions, seconded by Councilman Steele. The Council will not return to regular session at the end of the executive session. Upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Cook stated the IDB passed the first phase of the evaluation to have land in the industrial park names as an Advantage Site. The Beautification Board will judge the nominated properties on May 22.

Councilman Freeman reported for Inspections saying we had twelve new home starts valued at \$3.7 million. There were several additions and alterations and two new commercial starts valued at \$1.2 million. For Planning and Zoning he reported final approval was given to Winslow Park, Phase 2 and to Stockton, Phase 9. A rezoning on Maple Avenue was recommended to the City Council from R-4 to C-2.

Councilman Freeman thanked the Board of Education for the work they do. He also thanked Sid McNeal who is rolling off of the Board. Our Middle School debate team came in first place recently. Magnolia Elementary held their first spelling bee. The Athletic Foundation Shrimp Boil will be April 28.

Councilman Plant stated the Library is open. Our citizens can be proud of this new facility. The ribbon cutting and grand opening will be held on April 22 from 2-4. The Chamber luncheon will be held on April 19. CityFest will be held on May 5 featuring the Sweet Tea Trio as headliner and ending with fireworks.

Ms. Jane Alexander stated the Historical museum was opened last weekend with fifty junior and senior high students going through the exhibits. Each was given a list of 5-10 things to find in the museum. There was a panel with questions about past periods of time in Trussville, including the civil rights movement. This program was prepared by AP History teacher John Hames.

Councilman Steele stated this is a busy time in Parks and Recreation. We will host the State Track meet and the Soccer Club is hosting a tournament that will bring 78 teams to our city on April 20-21. We are discussing plans for the future.

Councilman Steele reported Alabama Power is cutting tree limbs in the Cahaba Project. ACTA is holding tryouts for "Guys and Dolls."

Mayor Choat stated Santek sent our seven trucks last Saturday to help get caught up with brush pick up. Striping is being done on Happy Hollow Road. We sold 221 vehicle tags in our first week. We will be replacing the speed cushions on Highland and Linden. The Greenway officially belongs to the city. We received the final close out notice this week.

Council President Taylor stated the Birmingham Business Journal reported that Trussville is in the top five wealthiest cities in the area, in the top five in new businesses, and is number one in residential permits. He stated he would put our school against anyone out there.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk