

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

JUNE 26, 2018

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Alan Taylor presiding.

Those members present were as follows:

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

Absent: Councilman Perry Cook

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, June 26, 2018. The Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

Mr. Cliff White, Creckside at Trussville, presented the plan for his commercial, assisted living, and senior independent living complex. He mentioned that the adjoining site is for sale and that they would be interested in working with the purchaser, since ALDOT will require the current driveway to be closed and access to that site be provided through their approved entrance. He spoke of needed off-site improvements to tie this development with the new Quad 1 development and with the Winn-Dixie Shopping Center. He presented financial information and requested City assistance with the project.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned.

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, June 26, 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 Freeman led the pledge to the flag.

Those persons answering present to roll call 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  
Attorney Rick Stotser

Council President Taylor introduced the minutes of the June 10, 2018 meeting for approval. Councilman Steele moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda was presented for approval. Councilman Plant moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Steele and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Richard Epstein asked that crosswalks be considered at Lake Street and Magnolia Street like the ones on North and South Mall, and that signs giving the state code requiring traffic to stop for pedestrians at crosswalks be added to the existing crossings. He stated the drainage at Snake Hill was fixed, but it needs a cover.

Items that were moved to the Consent agenda at the workshop earlier were presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	27,946.45
Non-Departmental	89,270.75
Mayor and Council	262.28
Administration	2,649.58
Inspections	755.67
Municipal Court	628.51
Information Technology	346.74
Police Department	42,196.85
Fire Department	29,171.80
Public Works	10,363.72
Parks and Recreation	45,740.59
Library	47,406.32
Rental Property	23.80
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	296,763.06
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL FUND	750.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	110,053.25
MUNICIPAL COURT	3,100.00
CORRECTIONS FUND	7,883.85
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	418,550.16

- Voice Stress Analyst - PD - Lovell - Nashville, TN - \$395.00 plus expenses
- NASRO - PD - Bates - Huntsville - \$495.00 plus expenses
- Alabama ASCE/APWA- Sullivan - PW - Orange Beach - July 16-18 - \$275 plus expenses
- Search Warrant Major Case Investigation - McCool - Birmingham - Oct 8-9 - \$295
- Glock Armorer Course - Findley - Smyrna, GA - July 10 - \$250
- Merit increases effective July 7, 2018
  - Timothy Thomas - FD - Grade 17, Sep 3, plus 5%
  - Jason Parsons - IT - Grade 28, Step 10
  - Candice Phillips-Greer, Dispatch - Grade 16, Step 8
  - Evan Paul Massey - FD - Grade 17, Step 8, plus 5%
- Hire John Jerard Baker - Park & Rec (Athletic Dir - Baseball) - Grade 18, Step 4
- Hire Patrick Gordon - PD - Grade 17, Step 10
- Promote to Asst Fire Chief -
  - Phillip Keith McLaughlin, Grade 27, Step 10, plus 15%
  - Jeff Fore, Grade 27, Step 8, plus 15%
- Merit Increase - Graduated from Fire College
  - Dalton King - Grade 17, Step 2, plus 5%
  - Stephen Nabors - Grade 17, Step 2, plus 5%
- Payroll correction Larry Zeitvogel - P&Rec - Grade 18, Step 5 effective April 14, 2018
- Accept resignation of Tiffany Jackson, Police Admin Clerk
- Authorize entering into an agreement on purchasing cards
- Approve purchase of a pot hole patcher from Sansom Equipment - \$149,000.00

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

Council President Taylor stated he wished to mention a couple of items on the consent agenda. He stated newly approved Assistant Chiefs Keith McLaughlin and Jeff Fore are present and he asked them to come forward. He stated he appreciated seeing the support of these individuals as evidenced by the turnout of other members of the department.

Proclamation 2018-014 recognizing Wreaths Across America was presented. Councilman Freeman read and moved this proclamation be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution 2018-018 awarding the bid on a Metro Ethernet system to Spectrum at a cost of \$11,000 per month was presented. Mr. Jim Nolan of the IT department stated this is only \$2,000 per month more than what we are paying now. This will tie all of our departments together and give greater and more dependable internet service. The vote was unanimous.

Councilman Freeman reported the Design Review Committee approved several signs. School is out, so not much is happening with the Board of Education.

Councilman Plant stated things are going great at the Library, and it is getting a lot of use.

Councilman Steele thanked the Council on behalf of Parks and Recreation for hiring the new director for baseball. He is a former highschool baseball and football coach at Moody. We are signing up for fall baseball now. For Public Works he reported with all of the rain there is a lot of grass and a lot of clean up of limbs and debris. ACTA will perform "Guys and Dolls" next.

Council President Taylor stated the Freedom Celebration committee met with police and fire to coordinate for Fourth of July. There will be 15 food vendors, entertainment, and fireworks. The Chamber golf tournament had twenty-two teams at Pinetree Country Club today. Mr. David Knight, public relations specialist, spoke at the Chamber luncheon. RDA has a lot going on. Great Harvest Bread opened this week.

Mayor Choat stated Edgar's is coming along and hope to open in August. Plans for our downtown are in the works. HPM has been hired as our project manager on this project. We hope to go to bid in August, open them in September and start construction in October. He stated the City received an AG Opinion that affirms our right to explore the possibility of coming out from under the Jefferson County Personnel Board. If we see that staying in is the best for the city and our employees, we will do so. Santek is having trouble keeping up with limb pickup with the recent storms. They are doing a good job with garbage and recycling pickup. We are at the end of our third month selling tags, and there has been good public feedback. We approved the purchase of a pot hole patcher tonight. This will help us to better maintain our streets. We are working with someone on our street signs. These will be very similar to the signs installed several years ago, but will be a lighter material. He stated Melody, Lynn and I have been working of revenue projections for our next fiscal year. The projections are fairly flat. The department budgets are due in by July 11. We will look carefully at expenditures moving forward to the end of this fiscal year.

Jim Nolan was recognized and stated Century Link is out of ports for fiber and internet. They have an order in, but it will be at least two weeks before they can start new services.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter  
City Clerk