

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
OCTOBER 9, 2018

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, October 4, 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:  None

The workshop was convened and the Council received a preliminary agenda and supporting documentation for the City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 9, 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, October 9, 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 Cook to lead in prayer. Councilman Steele 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 September 25, 2018 meeting for approval. Councilman Steele moved they be approved, seconded by Councilman Cook, and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda, consent agenda, and agenda addendum were presented for approval. Mayor Choat asked that filling a position in the Police Department be added. This will be an Account Clerk from Homewood, Claire Jackson, effective October 29, 2018. Ms. Jackson has a background in issuing business licenses on the computer software that we use, and Chief Rush has agreed to let her help out the Administrative office during the business license renewal period. Councilman Plant moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Steele and the vote was unanimous.

The candidates that are on the agenda tonight are stuck in traffic, so these items will be moved to the end of the agenda.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable

Liabilities	8,725.35
Non-Departmental	77,389.88
Mayor and Council	3,553.01
Administration	2,432.00
Inspections	1,420.09
Municipal Court	1,916.07
Information Technology	32,210.33
Police Department	18,773.39
Fire Department	23,193.33
Public Works	36,709.06
Parks and Recreation	95,508.90
Library	5,121.03
Rental Properties	894.46
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	307846.90
STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND	103,958.91
DRUG CONFISCATION FUND	2,115.00
CORRECTIONS FUND	1,856.00
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	415,776.81

CAPZO training - Porter - Dothan - October 5, 2018 - \$199.00

Glock Armorer's Course - Chad Jones - Columbiana - \$250.00

Merit increases effective October 13, 2018

Maria Bishop - Court - Grade 19, Step 3

Rheanna Poe - Admin - Grade 16, Step 6

Nya Montgomery - Police - Grade 17, Step 10, plus 10%

Robby Dale Pruitt - Street - Grade 13, Step 5

Justin Ferguson - Street - Grade 13, Step 5

Provisionally Promote Shawn Robinson to Event Set-up Supervisor Grade 15, Step 2

Create a second position for Events Set-up Supervisor

Hire Kimani Key, Part-time Civic Center - Grade 6, Step

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

Councilman Steele moved Resolution 2018-044 to accept the streets in Ballard Place be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Steele moved Resolution 2018-045 awarding the bid on the Vann Circle parking lot to Milam and Company at a cost of \$136,894.00, seconded by Councilman Plant, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Fred Goodnight, Chairman of the Industrial Development Board, stated the Board has taken the existing covenants and updated them. The Board and the City will sign off on them and then they will be recorded. Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2018-046 approving these covenants be approved, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and the vote was unanimous.

Council President Taylor stated we determined at the beginning of this administration that we would elect a Council President annually. The Council needs to elect a new Council President and Council President Pro-Tem to assume the positions on the first Monday in November.

Councilman Steele moved Councilman Freeman be elected as Council President, seconded by Councilman Plant. Councilman Plant thanked Council President Taylor for serving in this role

admirably. He stated he looks forward to working with Councilman Freeman in this role and toward the continuation of harmony among the Council. He stated we do not always agree with one another, but we are civil in our disagreements. Councilman Plant called for a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Councilman Plant moved Councilman Steele remain in the position of Council President Pro-Tem, seconded by Councilman Freeman, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

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

Nays: None

Council President Taylor announced that the City Council workshop will be held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Mary Shell of the Alabama Historical Commission will address the Council on the same night at 6:00.

Councilman Cook reported that TRA met on October 2 to discuss upgrades to the professional building, and leases. They discussed Dr. Dobbs's desire to do upgrades to his building, and his request for input and guidance to do so in keeping with what is being done downtown. His upgrades will be done with his own funds. They discussed the upcoming space that Tuesday Morning now occupies.

The IDB held a luncheon at Prestige Alarm. Spectrum spoke to the gathering about running fiber lines in the park for Internet.

The Beautification Board met and they want to make a difference in downtown.

Council President Taylor stated we have new leadership at RDA. He pointed out from Councilman Cook's report that one business person wants to revamp their building in keeping with what we are doing downtown - and is not asking for financial assistance.

Councilman Freeman reported Planning and Zoning created a lot in the IDB park and created four lots on Robert Lee Road. They also recommended rezoning on Mary Munger Road from R-1 to C-2 for an expansion of the existing veterinary clinic, and on Mary Munger Road for a small subdivision. Annexations were recommended on Queenstown Road, Mary Munger Road, and Service Road. Twenty-four permits for new homes were issued in September valued at \$8,322,000. Historical data was shared on housing starts.

For the Board of Education, Councilman Freeman stated a band competition was held here last week. The Board will meet next week.

Councilman Plant stated the U-turn signs are up in Longmeadow. The Chamber luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 18 hosted by Trussville Utilities with Mayor Choat as speaker.

Councilman Steele reported the Park and Recreation Board meeting has been moved to next week. ACTA is preparing to perform a version of a Christmas Carol. Their production of "The Adams Family" was a great success.

Council President Taylor stated all six performances sold out. He thanked the Council for being allowed to serve as Council President this year. It has been an honor to serve. He stated we do not always agree, but we always have respect for one another.

Mayor Choat stated he appreciated all Council President Taylor has done. Charter is running fiber into the industrial park and some neighborhoods. He stated the computer servers are down today at City Hall. He thanked Fred Goodnight for the work he is doing with the IDB. He stated

Aldi will be locating in the end space at Homestead Village shopping center and Charter Mobile will take the remaining space by Panera. Panda Express is open and Thai Basil is open. He stated he appreciated the support of local businesses.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter  
City Clerk