

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 12, 2019

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall, with Council President Jef Freeman presiding.

Those members present were as follows:

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

Absent:           None

Others present in Official Capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat

Mayor Choat introduced Acting Finance Director Mr. Mike Hinson. He is working on a contract basis for now.

The workshop was convened and the Council received a preliminary agenda and supporting documentation for the City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. The Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

Mr. Chris Williams addressed the Council and presented numbers for a possible refinance of the 2014 QECB series.

Attorney Rick Stotser stated the City Council asked him to do some research on the Cahaba Project matter. He stated he asked Spencer Templeton to do this research from a litigation standpoint. Ms. Templeton presented her findings and the Council agreed to study the handout and get back together at a workshop to discuss again.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned.

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Freeman presided over the meeting and Lynn Porter, City Clerk, served as recording secretary.

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

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

Council President Jef Freeman  
Councilman Perry Cook  
Councilman Zack Steele  
Councilman Alan Taylor

Absent:           Councilman Brian Plant

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

Council President Freeman introduced the minutes of the January 22, 2019 meeting for approval. Councilman Steele 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 to add two contracts to the agenda. One is for Carr, Riggs, and Ingram for Mike Hinson’s services for \$12,000 per month. The second contract is for Skipper Consultants for ALDOT traffic planning and study for the Highway 11 widening from Chalkville Road to Parkway Drive at a cost of \$13,900. Councilman Steele moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Adlai Trone, 7741 Cook Road, was recognized and spoke on the garbage service. He stated when Advanced Disposal had the contract his garbage was picked up between 6:00 and 6:30 a.m. on his pickup day. The new contractor picked his garbage up timely this week on Tuesday. Last week he had to call and the garbage was picked up on Thursday. This week is the first time it has been picked up on the correct day in more than a month. He stated he should not have to call each week to get this done.

Councilman Taylor stated he received a call from the Shady Oaks neighborhood saying they were having issues with recycling pick up.

Mr. Trone stated Ms. Porter helped him with annexation paperwork 27 years ago. He stated he is retired from the City of Birmingham public works so he understands the challenges.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable	
Liabilities	24,416.48
Non-Departmental	59,823.33
Mayor and Council	93.36
Administration	2,526.20
Finance	1,835.02
Inspections	4,089.37
Municipal Court	1,061.61
Information Technology	7,038.50
Police Department	31,390.50
Fire Department	57,416.28
Public Works	9,768.12
Garbage	179,828.20
Parks and Recreation	66,151.77
Library	15,500.55
Rental Properties	700.55
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	461,642.84
DRUG CONFISCATION FUND	421.83
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	19,344.99
CORRECTIONS FUND	15,911.98
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	497,321.64

Administrative Office of Courts - Randle & Bishop - April 4-5, 2019 - Birmingham - \$195.00 each

AMROA training - Poe and Hamilton - April 3-5 - Tuscaloosa - \$225 ea., plus lodging

Utility Crimes Investigation - Bradford, Hicks, Goodrum - Jacksonville, AL - Feb 11-12, 2019 - \$50.00 ea (\$150.00 total)

TASRO Safe School Conf - Orange Beach - June 3-7 - Bates, Fuell, Antonio, Bowen, Lawrence, Smith & Rush - \$200.00 each (\$1400.00 total) plus lodging

NASRO SRO certification course - Pell City - March 25-29 - Lovell - \$495.00

Approve education premium Michael Pressley - PD - 10%

Approve education premium Anthony Martin - PD - 5%

Contract Carr, Riggs, and Ingram - \$12,000 per month

Contract Skipper Consulting - ALDOT traffic planning and study Highway 11 widening from Chalkville Road to Parkway Drive

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

Councilman Steele moved Resolution 2019-007 in support of changing telecommunications legislation to reaffirm municipal rights to control their rights-of-way be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of an ordinance to declare property at 110 North Chalkville Road as surplus, seconded by Councilman Steele, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Freeman, Cook, Steele, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Cook then moved Ordinance 2019-008-ADM be adopted, declaring 110 North Chalkville Road as surplus, seconded by Councilman Taylor and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Freeman, Cook, Steele, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2019-008 awarding the concession bid to All Star Concessions with the City receiving an 18% return on gross revenues. This was seconded by Councilman Steele, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook moved Resolution 2019-009 approving a Brew Pub license for Ferus Artisan Ales be adopted, seconded by Councilman Steele, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved a contract with Prescott House be approved for services to our police department in prosecuting cases involving crimes against children and crimes where children are the witness. This was seconded by Councilman Steele and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook stated Park and Recreation met last night. A Girl Scout troop wants to donate \$3,000 for a french drain to drain the dog park. A recent dog birthday party raised \$471 for park improvements.

For Beautification Councilman Cook reported the Board wants to place planters around town. They are accepting nominations for beautification awards. The Utilities Board met on January 28 and received an update on capital projects, received financials, and the status of gas and water sales.

Councilman Steele reported IDB is getting some work done in the industrial park. They discussed new signage and advertising tenant space. Public works is trimming trees around the power lines. ACTA will be performing Cheaper by the Dozen. Auditions will begin soon for Little Women.

Councilman Taylor announced the February luncheon will be held on February 21 and the banquet will be on February 28. He stated he has received a copy of the annual police report for 2018. We have 64 sworn officers and 12 civilian employees. Our department responded to 19,710 calls. Saturday is Dancers for Cancer gala fund raiser.

Councilman freeman stated Inspections is busy. Planning and Zoning reviewed the annual building report and heard several rezoning and annexation matters.

Mayor Choat stated we had several issues with Santek over the holidays. These were reported and corrected. There are challenges, but they are working on them. The weather is holding our contractor up on Valley Road. Work is progressing downtown. He stated he continues to get calls from businesses wanting to locate here. A steering committee for our

Vison 2040 has been set up and we are looking for volunteers to serve on any of seven committees. We have a great story to tell with our community. We need to set goals and hope to involve 100-200 citizens in this process.

Mr. Richard Epstein , Boulder Drive, was recognized and asked what will go in the are where the Braden's building has been removed? He asked what will happen to the adjoining building? He asked when bids would open on the Brooks Crossing/Vann Road traffic signal, and was told February 19.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter  
City Clerk