

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE

CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 27, 2019

The City Council of the City of Trussville met for a workshop session on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Pro Tempore Steele presiding.

Those members present were as follows:

Councilman Perry Cook
Councilman Brian Plant
Councilman Zack Steele
Councilman Alan Taylor

Absent: Council President Jef Freeman

Others present in Official Capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat

The workshop was convened and the Council received the agenda and supporting documentation for the City Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, August 27, 2019. The Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

A representative of Applied Information presented his company's software system that will preempt traffic signals for emergency vehicles. When a vehicle pulls out with its lights on, the signals will be overridden and move traffic out of the way of the approaching emergency vehicle. After the emergency vehicle has passed, the signals will reset themselves within two cycles to the normal cycle setting.

The anticipated need in Trussville is for twenty-seven of these devices - eleven on Highway 11; nine on Chalkville Road; four on Deerfoot Parkway; and three on Husky Parkway. The cost is \$3,800 per vehicle and 4,200 per cabinet, plus the plan costs and warranty including software updates.

Jim Nolan stated the phone system installation will be 90 to 120 days.

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned.

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Trussville City Hall. Council President Pro Tempore Steele presided over the meeting and Lynn Porter, City Clerk, served as recording secretary.

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

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

Councilman Perry Cook
Councilman Brian Plant
Councilman Zack Steele
Councilman Alan Taylor

Absent: Council President Jef Freeman

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat
Attorney Rick Stotser

Council President Pro Tempore Steele introduced the minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting for approval. Councilman Plant 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 that a resolution be added to the agenda to authorize the Mayor to authorize the City Attorney to take action as necessary in regard to a lawsuit from the Jefferson County Personnel Board. Councilman Taylor moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant and the vote was unanimous.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

Accounts Payable	
Liabilities	23.00
Non-Departmental	66.00
Mayor and Council	311.09
Administration	3,109.14
Inspections	2,179.60
Municipal Court	1,345.46
Finance	15.44
Information Technology	7,109.94
Police Department	34,199.04
Fire Department	24,435.33
Public Works	37,147.78
Parks and Recreation	81,351.76
Library	17,354.12
Rental Properties	1,782.03
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	210,429.73
CORRECTIONS FUND	5,423.55
CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,398.00
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	217,251.28

Evidence Technician Program - Anderson, Martin & Dunn - Sept 17-19; Oct 22-24; and Nov 19-22 - Birmingham - 1 comp, 2 @ \$250.00 - Total \$500.00

Supervising Difficult Employees - Watkins - PD - Trussville - Sept 30-Oct 1 - \$250.00

2019 PD Motorcycle Skills Training - Golden - Oct 8-12 - Spring Hill, TN - Lodging only

AL Administrative Office of Courts - Downing & Minor - Orange Beach - Sep. 18-21 - \$350 ea plus expenses

Merit increases effective August 31, 2019

 Evan McCleskey - Parks - Grade 7, Step 6

 Gregory C. Cardwell - Police - Grade 24, Step 9

 Samuel A. Filetti - Police - Grade 20, Step 7

Move Steven Bright from Parks seasonal to Public Works Full-time effective 8-23-2019 - Grade 7, Step 2

Hire Connor Calhoun - Parks - part-time Tennis - Grade 6, Step 1

Hire Christian Gonzalez - Grade 19, Step 2, effective 08/31/2019

Merit increase John Baker - Park & Rec - effective July 20, 2019 - Grade 18, Step 5, plus retro pay from effective date

Promote William Gregory Tyler to truck driver Grade 13, Step 2, effective August 31, 2019

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

Mr. Jim Wolfe, 251 York Street, thanked the street department for fixing the stop signs in Lancashire.

Councilman Plant moved Resolution 2019-040 to award the bid on a VoiP Phone System to Spectrum at a cost of \$181,775.04 over a 36-month term. This was seconded by Councilman Taylor and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2019-041 to establish a bank account for the Rebuild Alabama Gas Tax Fund, seconded by Councilman Plant, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook moved Proclamation 2019-018 on Wreaths Across America be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Plant moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules of procedure to allow for the immediate consideration of an Ordinance to annex 6701 Service Road, seconded by Councilman Taylor, and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Cook, Plant, Steele, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Plant then moved Ordinance 2019-039-ANX be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor and upon a roll call vote, the results were as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Cook, Plant, Steele, and Taylor

Nays: None

Councilman Taylor moved Proclamation 2019-019 on Rotary World Polio Day be approved, seconded by Councilman Plant, and the vote was unanimous.

An alcohol application for beer and wine for Pho Sizzle, 5880 Trussville Crossings Boulevard, was called. Councilman Taylor asked Mr. Choung Tran if this was the only Pho Sizzle location and was told yes. Councilman Plant asked if he had ever worked for a business that sold alcohol before, and Mr. Tran replied no, this is the first time. Councilman Plant asked if he had experience in a restaurant before, and responded this is the first time. Councilman Plant asked how many employees he had, and he replied three servers. Councilman Plant stated that serving alcohol is a privilege. We take service to minors or over serving a patron very seriously. He asked if Mr. Tran was a member of the Responsible Vendor Program (RVP), and Mr. Tran stated he had heard of it. He asked did he request this through ABC? He sated he will limit the number of drinks, and will ask for identification on everyone. Councilman Plant asked if Mr. Tran would consider joining the RVP and Mr. Tran stated he thought it would be good for him. Councilman Plant asked would he agree tonight to become a part, and Mr. Tran replied yes. Councilman Plant explained that if there should be a problem, the Council may ask you to come back to a meeting to justify why he should be allowed to keep his license. Mayor Choat stated this is to help you so that you do not get into trouble. A public hearing was opened, and there being no comment, the hearing was closed. Councilman Plant moved this application be approved, seconded by Councilman Taylor. Councilman Taylor stated he wanted Mr. Tran to understand that we are doing this with the understanding he will join the RVP and set an alcohol sales policy. The vote was unanimous. Councilman Cook told Mr. Tran he appreciated him choosing Trussville.

Councilman Taylor moved the Council go into executive session on a matter of potential litigation. This was seconded by Councilman Plant and the vote was unanimous. He stated the Council will return at the end of the session.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:40.

Councilman Taylor moved Resolution 2019-042 authorizing the City Attorney to take action as necessary with the Jefferson County Personnel Board to preserve the city's right to form their own personnel board, seconded by Councilman Plant and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Cook stated the TRA discussed Quad 1. Construction is going well and the parking lot should be completed in September. The brewery is operating but not open yet.

Councilman Steele stated Councilman Freeman sent a report to be given in his absence. He stated our schools have 4,802 students with Paine having the most growth. He stated the Board

discussed their Neighborhood Bridges program, parking at the high school, the completion of the middle school addition in October, and their \$54,000,000 budget.

Councilman Plant gave library reports for June and July. He stated the library audit is complete.

Councilman Taylor stated the Utilities Board is doing well. The Chamber is continuing to search for an executive director. For finance he reported we are working on our budget.

Councilman Steele stated the Senior Center will celebrate its twentieth anniversary on Thursday. Public Works is taking care of downed trees and cutting grass.

Mayor Choat stated a bust of Sgt. Stegall, who was killed in action, will be placed in our veteran's park. He thanked the department heads for their work on the budget that will be passed in September. Our revenues are in line. This is a conservative budget. The demands are more and more. He recognized IDB Chairman Fred Goodnight and Darren Hamrick. He stated we are working on a sale of some property.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn B. Porter
City Clerk