

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE

DECEMBER 3, 2020 WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in a workshop session on Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 5:30 pm at Trussville City Hall to review the proposed agenda for its regular session scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2020. Council President Alan Taylor presided over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib acted as recording secretary. Those members present were as follows:

City Council

Council President Alan Taylor
Councilor Perry Cook
Councilor Jaime Anderson
Councilor Lisa Bright
Councilor Ben Short

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

The order of consideration for the agenda was determined. The Council also discussed the upcoming 2021 Advocacy Day hosted by the Alabama League of Municipalities, ways to abate noise from the downtown entertainment district, and the process of accepting and reviewing city school board nominations. All three matters were not on the agenda. There being no other business, the workshop was adjourned.

DECEMBER 8, 2020 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in regular session on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 6 pm at Trussville City Hall, with Council President Alan Taylor presiding over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib serving as recording secretary.

Taylor called the meeting to order. Perry Cook led the prayer. Jaime Anderson led the pledge to the flag.

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

Council President Alan Taylor
Councilor Jaime Anderson
Councilor Lisa Bright
Councilor Perry Cook
Councilor Ben Short

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

After reviewing the minutes from the November 19 workshop and November 24 regular session, Councilor Short moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion to approve all minutes as originally drafted. **UNANIMOUS**

Council President Taylor introduced the agenda & consent agenda. When asked, Mayor Choat requested that the Council consider adding new municipal court employee Debbie Crane's magistrate certification training to the agenda. Council President Taylor suggested amending consent agenda accordingly. Upon his request, Councilor Short moved and Councilor Bright seconded to accept the consent agenda as amended. **UNANIMOUS**

The amended Consent Agenda is as follows:

- Promote TFD Capt. James Moore to Fire Battalion Chief (Grade 26 – Step 9 with 15% premium) & TFD Lt. William Jackson to Fire Captain (Grade 24 – Step 7 with 5% premium), effective Dec 5, 2020

- TFD Proposed Purchase of 2021 Chevrolet Silverado off Approved State Vendor Purchase Listin compliance with State Bid Law
- Appoint Chase Wright to Trussville Industrial Development Board. Term expiring July 14, 2025
- Alabama Power contract with the City re LED lights and Transformer for Valley Road
- Fifth Amendment to Project Development Agreement with Downtown Trussville LLC
- Send Court Clerk Debbie Crane to AOC Magistrate Training in Montgomery over winter/early spring 2021

The following Accounts Payable report was also part of the approved consent agenda:

**VOUCHERS DUE BY DEPARTMENT
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

DATE: December 8, 2020

NON-DEPARTMENTAL (6000)	\$ 19,767.42
MAYOR & COUNCIL (6010)	\$ 2,072.28
ADMINISTRATION (6011)	\$ 9,407.44
INSPECTIONS (6012)	\$ 1,067.10
MUNICIPAL COURT (6015)	\$ 4,314.95
FINANCE (6017)	\$ 324.96
IT (6018)	\$ 49.99
HUMAN RESOURCES (6019)	\$ 82.40
POLICE DEPARTMENT (6121)	\$ 21,175.16
FIRE DEPARTMENT (6122)	\$ 15,520.26
PUBLIC WORKS (6231)	\$ 11,953.07
PARKS & RECREATION (6341)	\$ 11,589.60
PARKS MAINTENANCE (6342)	\$ 6,070.94

LIBRARY (6451)	\$ 9,441.47
CAPITAL OUTLAY (6700)	\$ 9,400.00
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$ 122,684.44
CIVIC CENTER (08)	\$ 13,645.49
STATE GASOLINE FUND (7 ¢)	\$ 39,680.26
BOND CONSTRUCTION FUNS (26)	\$ 63,632.08
CONFISCATED FUND (64)	\$ 4,856.00
CORRECTIONS (85)	\$ 1,206.17
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 245,704.44

Council President Taylor then requested that the Council approve the agenda as submitted. Councilor Cook moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS**

Council President Taylor then recognized Fire Chief Tim Shotts, who announced the promotions of TFD Captain James Moore to Fire Battalion Chief and TFD Lieutenant William Jackson to Fire Captain. Both men received their new pins in front of friends and family.

Council President Taylor then announced that the City Library Board recommended the promotion of Assistant Director Jason Baker to Library Director, effective January 2, 2021. Councilor Anderson moved and Councilor Cook seconded the motion to approve the recommendation. **UNANIMOUS** Council President Taylor asked Baker, outgoing director Emily Tish and library board members to step forward for public recognition. Mayor Choat then surprised Tish by presenting her a framed group photo as a gift. The photo was of her in front of the library expansion project, then under construction. She seemed pleased.

Council President Taylor introduced a drafted proclamation honoring Clarence Boatwright's 40 years of service on the city industrial development utilities board. Councilor Bright moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS. Proclamation 2020-18** Councilor Bright intends to present it to him at the upcoming IDB meeting.

Councilor Short moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion for unanimous consent to immediately consider a proposed ordinance. **UNANIMOUS** Councilor Short then moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion to approve the proposed ordinance that would allow Sunday alcohol sales only at restaurants, starting at 10 am. **UNANIMOUS. Ordinance 2020-43-ADM**

Council President Taylor then opened a public hearing regarding Imperio Steakhouse & Grill's (5961 Chalkville Mountain Lane) ABC application. Owner/managing partner Ernesto Tafoya Vega approached the front and answered councilors' questions about his previous experience in the restaurant business, serving alcohol, training employees regarding serving alcohol, etc. After Police Chief Eric Rush confirmed that the applicants had clean records, Council

President Taylor solicited public feedback. Hearing none, Council President Taylor closed the public hearing.

Councilor Cook moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion to approve Imperio LLC's ABC application. **UNANIMOUS with Short abstaining. Resolution 2020-119**

Council President Taylor read announcements about changed Council as well as Design Review meeting dates. The Council's next meeting will be December 17th at 6 pm instead of December 22nd. Design Review will meet on December 28th at 6 pm instead of December 21st. The City Clerk is responsible for posting public notices with those updates.

During public comments, Grace School of Theology Director Student Services Robbie Roberts informed the council about an unkempt former Lone Star restaurant commercial lot near his workplace. Mayor Choat thanked him for reporting that and promised to follow up on it.

During audience comments, Richard Epstein (4742 Boulder Dr) expressed appreciation that City Hall had more working security night lights. He mentioned again his desires of a backup generator and new pool at the civic center.

Councilors Anderson, Bright, Cook Short, Taylor and Choat each gave reports on their respective portfolio assignments.

The Council then adjourned its regular session at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Weinrib
City Clerk