

## CITY OF TRUSSVILLE MINUTES

### DECEMBER 28, 2021 WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in a **workshop** session on **Tuesday, December 28, 2021** at 5:02 pm at the City Hall to review the proposed agenda for its next regular session. Council President Pro Tem Lisa Bright presided over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib acted as recording secretary. Those members present were as follows:

Councilor Lisa Bright  
Councilor Alan Taylor  
Councilor Ben Short

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

Those absent were as follows: Council President Perry Cook  
Councilor Jaime Anderson

The City Council then determined the order of consideration for its upcoming agenda. They informally agreed to add to the consent agenda their authorization for Mayor Choat to sign on to a legal settlement between the State and Endo Pharmaceuticals Inc. They then discussed a proposed medical marijuana bill for the Alabama Legislature. Nobody on the Council, including Mayor Choat, wants such dispensaries within the City if the bill were to become law. The proposed bill gives cities discretion to opt in. With unanimous opposition, City Attorney Stotser advised there would be no need to change city zoning or other ordinances in order to prevent such from operating here. Councilor Taylor expressed concern about maintaining a consistent employment policy regarding medical marijuana for all city employees. Mayor Choat assured him that HR Director Mandy Dixon would do exactly that, as needed. The agenda workshop adjourned at about 5:30 pm.

### DECEMBER 28, 2021 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in **regular session** on **Tuesday, December 28, 2021** at 6 pm at Trussville City Hall, with Council President Pro Tem Lisa Bright presiding over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib serving as recording secretary.

She called the meeting to order. Councilor Taylor led the prayer. Councilor Short led the pledge to the flag.

Those persons answering present to roll call were as follows:

Council President Pro Tem Lisa Bright  
Councilor Ben Short  
Councilor Alan Taylor

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

Those absent were as follows: Councilor Jaime Anderson  
Council President Perry Cook

The council members reviewed minutes from the December 9th workshop and December 14th regular session. Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion to approve everything as presented. **UNANIMOUS**

President Pro Tem Bright introduced the agenda & consent agenda. Upon her request, Councilor Short moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion to accept the agenda as presented. **UNANIMOUS**  
Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. **UNANIMOUS**

The Consent Agenda is as follows:

- Section X. Auditing Accounts

LIABILITIES (2000, 4100)

\$ 7,885.00

ADMINISTRATION (6011)	\$ 1,035.92
INSPECTION (6012)	\$ 272.57
MUNICIPAL COURT (6015)	\$ 3,574.36
FINANCE (6017)	\$ 1,270.04
IT (6018)	\$ 17,227.20
POLICE DEPARTMENT (6121)	\$ 15,224.78
FIRE DEPARTMENT (6122)	\$ 38,363.73
PUBLIC WORKS (6231)	\$ 979.11
PARKS & RECREATION (6341)	\$ 28,575.30
PARKS MAINTENANCE (6342)	\$ 1,649.46
LIBRARY (6451)	\$ 5,461.97
RENTAL PROPERTIES (6452)	\$ 53.49
CAPITAL OUTLAY (6700)	\$ 65,749.37
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 171,605.29</b>
CIVIC CENTER (08)	\$ 2,061.43
DOWNTOWN ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT (09)	\$ 2,493.00
CONFISCATED FUND (64)	\$ 1,202.70
CAPITAL PROJECTS (68)	\$ 80,932.28
CORRECTIONS FUND (85)	\$ 6,166.39
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 264,461.09</b>

- Promote Annette Krucina & Jennifer Eaves to full-time Gymnastics Instructors (Grade 12 – Step 1), effective January 1, 2022
- Hire Leah Commer as part-time Library Circulation Clerk (Grade 12 – Step 1), effective January 1, 2022
- Allow Mayor Choat to Sign a Legal Settlement Agreement With Endo Health Solutions & Endo Pharmaceuticals Inc on behalf of Trussville

During public comments, only Jennifer Bentley (7533 Carriage Cove) made remarks. Councilor Short and City Clerk Weinrib clarified the purpose of rezoning in general and Trussville Ridge in particular.

Councilor Taylor introduced a proposed proclamation declaring January 2022 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month. He moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS. Proclamation No. 2021-30**

After a brief recess for a group photo with Amy Wagar of the Child Trafficking Solutions Project, President Pro Tem Bright resumed the meeting.

Councilor Short gave introductory first readings on proposed rezoning ordinances for 6670 Green Drive and eight Sutton Avenue-based parcels.

President Pro Tem Bright then opened the public hearing on the proposed rezoning of undeveloped Trussville Ridge, just north of the Wind Song neighborhood. Jennifer Bentley had expressed her and various neighbors' opposition to the Trussville Ridge roads plan. She referenced the submitted petition they signed. Since nobody else spoke up, President Pro Tem Bright closed the public hearing.

Councilor Short then introduced the proposed rezoning ordinance for full consideration. He then moved to approve an ordinance rezoning Trussville Ridge as **Q-RG Qualified Garden Residential** from **R-2 Single Family**. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS. Ordinance No. 2021-033-PZ**

Councilor Taylor then moved for unanimous consent to consider immediately a proposed ordinance. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS.** Councilor Taylor then moved to approve

a proposed ordinance authorizing fire code reinspection fees on non-compliant commercial structures. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS. Ordinance No. 2021-034-ADM**

Councilor Taylor then moved for unanimous consent to consider immediately a proposed ordinance. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS.** Councilor Taylor then moved to approve a proposed ordinance to amend sections of Chapter 18 Businesses ordinance, regarding ice cream plus other cold, ready-to-serve food trucks, yard sales, insurance brokers and owners of certain residential rental properties. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS. Ordinance No. 2021-035-ADM**

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed resolution to adopt the 2022 version of the City's Storm Water Management Program Plan. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS. Resolution No. 2021-69**

During Council reports, Councilor Short reported that Design Review looked over proposed signs for a memory care facility, Target (rebranding) and a new drive-thru coffee shop

Councilor Taylor reported that new board member Jeremy Tuggle attended his first Utilities business meeting. Also, the Chamber of Commerce hosted its biggest and most successful community Christmas parade. Subsequent Christmas parades may be held on Sundays when vehicle traffic is minimal.

President Pro Tem Bright acknowledged City School Board President Kathy Brown. The BOE's next meeting is January 22nd. Public Works continues to vacuum leaves and pick up discarded Christmas trees.

Mayor Choat announced that the school board administration remains on track for moving to its new headquarters by the end of February. He also mentioned the successful Christmas parade. He announced that Police are making available free blinking lights for neighborhood joggers and walkers, who exercise at night.

There were no audience comments.

With no further public business, the Council promptly adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



City Clerk Dan Weinrib