CITY OF TRUSSVILLE MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2023 AGENDA WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in a **workshop session** on **Thursday, April 6, 2023**, at 5 pm at the City Hall Annex. to review the proposed agenda for its next regular session. Council President Lisa Bright presided over the meeting and Dan Weinrib acted as recording secretary.

Those members present were as follows: Councilor President Lisa Bright

Councilor Jaime Anderson Councilor Ben Short

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat

City Clerk Dan Weinrib City Attorney Rick Stotser

Those members absent: Councilor Perry H. Cook

Councilor Alan Taylor

The City Council then determined the order of consideration for its upcoming agenda. Mayor Choat gave a briefing on the outcome from bid submissions from four contractors, seeking to perform site development of the future Fire Station No. 4. Upon his request, the Council agreed to add a resolution awarding the bid to Milam & Company. He also recommended that the Council add a resolution authorizing him to sign an ALDOT permit application to curb the middle lane on parts of US Highway 11. Darren Hamrick of Sain & Associates gave a presentation on a prospective development on Lot 1 of the City Industrial Park. Afterwards, the Council agreed to Mayor Choat's request to add a resolution to engage Sain & Associates on a professional services contract pertaining to that proposal. Finance Director Mike Hinson briefed the City Council on his drafted purchasing card policy for all city departments. With no further business to discuss, the workshop adjourned at approximately 5:45 pm.

APRIL 11, 2023 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in **regular session** on **Tuesday, April 11, 2023** at 6 pm at the City Hall Annex, with Council President Lisa Bright presiding over the meeting and City Clerk Dan Weinrib serving as recording secretary.

President Bright called the meeting to order. Councilor Anderson led the prayer. Councilor Bright led the pledge.

The following answered present to roll call: Council President Lisa Bright

Councilor Jaime Anderson Councilor Perry Cook Councilor Alan Taylor

Others present in their official capacity: City Clerk Dan Weinrib

Attorney Rick Stotser Mayor Buddy Choat

The following were absent: Councilor Ben Short

They reviewed minutes from the March 23rd agenda workshop and regular session. Councilor Anderson moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS**

President Bright then introduced the regular agenda and consent agenda. Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion to approve the one-item consent agenda. President Bright paused proceedings to introduce incoming school board member Jason Daniel, who was in attendance. He received broad praise from the entire council. **UNANIMOUS** Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion to approve the regular agenda. **UNANIMOUS**

There were no public comments. President Bright introduced the incoming schools superintendent, Dr. Patrick Martin, who was in attendance. Everybody welcomed him to our community. She and Councilor Taylor thanked the school board members – all of whom were also in attendance – for their hard work. Mayor Choat thanked outgoing school board member Mark Sims for his service.

Under the regular agenda, Councilor Anderson introduced a proposed proclamation declaring April 2023 as Fair Housing Month in recognition of the 55th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Proclamation No. 2023-11**

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed resolution to authorize Mayor Choat to complete an Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) permit application for temporarily diverting Liles Lane traffic to Interstate 59 & US Highway 11 during a culvert replacement project. He moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-20**

Councilor Cook then introduced a proposed resolution to award the City HVAC maintenance contract to Hastings Heating & Air Conditioning Company, Inc. He moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-21

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed resolution to authorize the Fire Department's \$41,000 purchase of Trailer Mounted Air Compressor from Central Alabama Training Solutions, under the safety and welfare exception to the State Competitive Bid Law. He and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-22**

Councilor Cook then introduced a proposed resolution to award the bid for Fire Station No. 4 preconstruction site development to Milam & Company LLC for \$1,717,241. He moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-23**

Councilor Anderson then introduced a proposed resolution to authorize Mayor Choat to complete an ALDOT permit application for curbing and re-striping parts of US Highway 11 near Complete Cleaners and Five Guys. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-24**

Councilor Anderson then introduced a proposed resolution to approve a professional services contract with Sain & Associates regarding City Industrial Park Lot 1. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-25** IDA Chairman David Livingston received acknowledgement.

Under Council reports, Councilor Anderson reported that the Cemetery Committee is re-doing the signs at the City Cemetery. For Veterans, she deferred to Mayor Choat, who then reported that the dedication of the new Fallen Warriors Memorial is set for 2 pm on Memorial Day. Librarian Jason Baker reported that a few tickets remain available for the Gees Bend Quilters on Heritage Day. Also, the Beautification Board will accept nominations for various contest categories throughout May. Also, Jane Alexander gave a detailed summary of Historical Committee's past and future activities.

Councilor Cook reported that the local gymnasts, led by Gymnastics Director Lauren Stanton, are competing in a tournament in Tampa, Fla. He expressed gratitude to the entire community for showing love and support for him and his family over the last two months as his broken left leg continues to heal. He offered his apologies for being absent from his duties; showing kindness and love, his colleagues & audience refused his offer.

Councilor Taylor reported that Public Safety Committee is conducting traffic studies. Also, the City continues to enjoy ribbon- cuttings by new businesses. Also, Leadership Trussville is hosting its last session for its inaugural class on April 13.

President Bright reported that Public Works remains busy with repairing potholes, shoring up grounds off of Service Road and cleaning out ditches near US Highway 11. Also, the IDA had a successful jobs fair at the local high school. Over 200 students attended.

Mayor Choat reported that once the property swaps are complete soon, the City will bid out the Commerce Lane road extension project (hopefully in May) Also, the City is relocating utilities for the Loop Road Project. The City will install a roundabout at the Glenn Street/Talley Street intersection. Also, he announced he would be in a meeting about the Northern Beltline with Governor Ivey the next day in Gardendale. Also, he commended Assistant Director Justin Ferguson and Public Works Department for unclogging a drainage pipe on a rainy Saturday.

During audience comments, Jesse Odell presented Mayor Choat a humorous t-shirt as his public apology. Mayor Choat recognized resident Richard Epstein, who just celebrated his 80th birthday.

With no further business on the agenda, President Bright adjourned the meeting at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dyw City Clerk Dan Weinrib, CMC