## CITY OF TRUSSVILLE MINUTES

## MAY 4, 2023 AGENDA WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in a **workshop session** on **Thursday, May 4, 2023,** at 5:05 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 Councilor Perry H. Cook Councilor Alan Taylor

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat

City Clerk Dan Weinrib

The City Council then determined the order of consideration for its upcoming agenda. At Mayor Choat's request, Tia Stephens and Jimmy Cromwell of local CBS affiliate WIAT-TV Channel 42 presented a 2023-2024 marketing proposal to the City Council. In addition to being a sales executive, Stephens is also a city resident. For \$72,000, the station proposes doing a series of online and broadcast promotions for the City that would draw an estimated 2.2 million impressions. The City Council came away impressed with the presentation and their answers, to the point where they were willing to add a resolution to the agenda. Also, Mayor Choat explained the proposed entertainment district ordinance. Police Chief Eric Rush and Lt. Chuck Bradford answered questions concerning late-night alcohol enforcement in the public areas, particularly the pavilion and parking lot. With no further business to discuss, the workshop adjourned at approximately 5:50 pm.

## MAY 9, 2023 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in **regular session** on **Tuesday, May 9, 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 Taylor led the prayer. Councilor Cook led the pledge.

Those members present were as follows: Councilor President Lisa Bright

Councilor Jaime Anderson Councilor Ben Short Councilor Perry H. Cook Councilor Alan Taylor

Others present in official capacity: Mayor Buddy Choat

City Clerk Dan Weinrib City Attorney Rick Stotser

They reviewed minutes from the April 25th agenda workshop and regular session. Councilor Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion for approval, as submitted. **UNANIMOUS** 

President Bright then introduced the regular agenda and consent agenda. Councilor Short moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda. **UNANIMOUS** Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion to approve the regular agenda. **UNANIMOUS** 

There were no public comments.

Under the regular agenda, Councilor Anderson introduced a proclamation honoring the Trussville Daybreak Rotary Club for all their community service. She, Bright and Taylor are Rotarians. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS Proclamation No. 2023-12** After a brief recess for photographs, President Bright resumed the meeting.

Councilor Short introduced the proposed City Entertainment District ordinance. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and take the ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS** He then moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion to approve the ordinance. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-006-ADM** 

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed ordinance to finance the Glendale Farms purchase with 10-year fixed-rate general obligation warrants, which would reimburse the City General Fund. He moved for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and take the ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS** He then moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion to approve the ordinance. Councilor Taylor acknowledged Rice Advisory financial advisor Chris Willians and Bradley bond counsel Rod Kanter, thanking them for their preparatory work. Each spoke briefly about the financial terms and tax advantages. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-007-ADM** 

Councilor Short then introduced a proposed rezoning ordinance regarding two undeveloped North Chalkville Road lots, currently zoned R-1. The applicant wants IN-2. He then moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion for approval. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-008-PZ** 

Councilor Short then introduced a proposed rezoning ordinance regarding two adjacent Stephanie Lane lots, currently zoned C-2. That applicant wants R-2. He then moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion for approval. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2023-009-PZ** 

Councilor Cook then introduced a proposed resolution approving the City's continued gas purchasing relationship with local business and fellow PACA member, McPherson Oil. Previously, the City had bid out the contract. Now that the City is also PACA member, bidding out is no longer necessary. He moved and Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-30** 

Councilor Cook then introduced a proposed resolution declaring various IT computer equipment as surplus. He moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-31** 

Councilor Anderson then introduced a proposed resolution authorizing Mayor Choat to negotiate a media marketing partnership with local CBS TV station WIAT Channel 42. She moved and Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2023-32** 

Under Council reports, Councilor Anderson reported that the ACTA will soon get new flooring. Their recent productions *Over the River & Through the Woods* and *The Prince & the Pauper* were box office successes. Enrollment in the summer camp workshop has already sold out. ACTA's next production *School of Rock* comes up in July. Also, the Cemetery Rehabilitation Authority has new signs for the old Baptist Cemetery. Also, the Historical Committee had Heritage Hall open during Heritage Days weekend. Also, the Beautification Board continues to accept nominations this month for various contest categories. Also, the Library remains active this spring with various book-related social activities. It's also hosting a blood drive with the American Red Cross. Also, the Veterans Committee remains busy preparing for the Fall Warriors Memorial dedication. They expect a large turnout on Memorial Day. Mayor Choat said he will soon meet with Mark Davis and his wife at the Memorial, to look over his brainchild.

Councilor Cook reported that Inspections remains busy, reviewing on-going construction activity citywide. Also, the Tree Commission plans to plant new trees this fall.

Councilor Short summarized the two recommended annexations and one of the three approved subdivisions by the Planning & Zoning at its recent meeting.

Councilor Taylor reported that City finances remain healthy & strong. Also, the Serra car dealership had a grand re-opening, following its recently completed renovation. Governor Ivey will be the guest speaker next month at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. The Chamber is also hosting the Taste of Trussville at the Civic Center. Also, Leadership Trussville graduates its inaugural class this month. He acknowledged classmates President Bright and former councilor Jef Freemans.

President Bright acknowledged school board member Sherrye Tolbert. The next scheduled BOE meeting occurs May 15; high school graduation, May 23. She also praised Public Works and Assistant Director Justin Ferguson for all their hard work to keep the City looking clean.

Mayor Choat updated the public on the Loop Road Project. By the time all utilities get relocated, the City will have bid out the street paving project and the demolition of the Best Insurance building. Once the City completes its Commerce Lane property swap, it will bid out the road extension project within 30 days. Also, the Redevelopment Authority received an offer for its commercial property next to the Rotary Clock. Also, he announced that he will do another live televised call-in show with Tribune publisher Scott Buttram the following evening.

There were no audience comments. With no further business on the agenda, President Bright adjourned the meeting at 6:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dgm Dan Weinrib, CMC City Clerk