

CITY OF TRUSSVILLE MINUTES

APRIL 23, 2024 AGENDA WORKSHOP

Members of the City Council met in an **agenda workshop session** on **Tuesday, April 23, 2024**, at 5 pm at the City Hall Annex to review the proposed agenda for its next regular session. Council President Jaime Anderson presided over the meeting and Dan Weinrib served as recording secretary.

Those members present were as follows:

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

Others present in their official capacity:

- Mayor Buddy Choat
- City Attorney Rick Stotser
- City Clerk Dan Weinrib

The City Council then determined the order of consideration, agreeing to keep all proposed consent and regular agenda items. Mayor Choat informed everybody in attendance about the public works projects, coming up for bid on May 8. With nothing left to review, President Anderson recessed the workshop before 5:30 pm, resumed it when Leadership HT made their presentations. *By that point, Stacy Frazier replaced City Clerk Dan Weinrib as recording secretary for the evening.* The first group of high school students introduced the idea of adding two benches with advertising signage to the Dog Park. Councilor Short advised checking the City Sign Ordinance for compliance purposes. The second group introduced the idea of adding QR codes to historical markers throughout the city greenway. Both ideas would not require any city funding. The councilors mutually agreed to add supporting both projects to the consent agenda. With nothing left to review, the agenda workshop adjourned prior to 6 pm.

APRIL 9, 2024 REGULAR SESSION

The City Council of the City of Trussville met in **regular session** on **Tuesday, April 23, 2024**, at 6 pm at the City Hall Annex, with Council President Jaime Anderson presiding over the meeting and Stacy Frazier serving as recording secretary.

President Anderson called the meeting to order. Councilor Bright led the prayer and Paine 3rd grade students Catie Cremers and Anna Kate Morse led the pledge.

Those members present were as follows:

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

Others present in their official capacity:

- Mayor Buddy Choat
- City Attorney Rick Stotser

Those absent:

- City Clerk Dan Weinrib

They reviewed the minutes from the April 4 agenda workshop and April 9 regular session. Councilor Short moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion for approval. **UNANIMOUS**

President Anderson introduced the consent agenda, as well as the regular agenda. Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion for approving the three-item consent agenda, as amended. **UNANIMOUS** Councilor Taylor moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion for approving the regular agenda. **UNANIMOUS**

There were no public comments.

Under the regular agenda, Councilor Cook introduced a proposed proclamation declaring April 2024 as National Donate Life Month, promoting organ donation awareness, here in Trussville. He moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Proclamation No. 2024-11** After a brief recess for a group picture with Legacy of Hope education director Ann Rayburn, President Anderson resumed the meeting.

Councilor Bright introduced a proposed proclamation congratulating the Hewitt-Trussville Middle School 6th Grade Scholars Bowl team on winning its state tournament this winter. She moved and Councilor Short seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Proclamation No. 2024-12** After a brief recess for a group picture with the team and Coach Kristin Meriam, President Anderson resumed the meeting.

Councilor Short then asked for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and bring an ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS** Councilor Short then introduced a proposed ordinance to annex 3012 2nd Street. He moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2024-005-ANX**

Councilor Taylor then asked for unanimous consent to suspend the rules and bring an ordinance up for immediate consideration. Councilor Bright seconded the motion. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS** Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed ordinance to amend the business license schedule, adding Schedule "AE" for transportation and freight consulting & brokerage businesses. He moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion. **Upon roll call vote, UNANIMOUS Ordinance No. 2024-006-ADM**

Council President Anderson then convened a public hearing on the City's proposed Tax Sharing Agreement with the Walk Ons Bistreaux Restaurant ownership. Mayor Choat briefly explained how the deal would work. Since nobody in the audience spoke up, she promptly closed the public hearing.

Councilor Short then introduced a proposed resolution to approve the Tax Sharing Agreement with Geaux Route Partnership -3, LLC. He moved and Councilor Bright seconded the motion. **UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2024-16**

Councilor Taylor then introduced a proposed resolution authorizing and directing the trustee to disburse money from the Trussville City Public Schools Trust so that the school board could purchase property located at 5475 Trussville-Clay Road, per **Trussville City Schools Resolution No. 04-15-24-01. UNANIMOUS Resolution No. 2024-17**

During committee reports, Councilor Bright summarized Public Works' activities (filling a pothole near the Pinnacle Shopping Center, paving over unused rail tracks on Commerce Lane, etc.) She summarized the three post-season sports events the high school is hosting. She had already acknowledged school board president Kim DeShazo and her fellow school board members who were in attendance. Also, HTHS moved up to 8th best in US News & World Report's annual Top-25 state high school rankings. Also, the IDA board will meet on April 25. Career Day with HTHS was rescheduled to May 2 due to inclement weather.

Councilor Cook deferred his committee reports.

Councilor Short reported that at its April 22 meeting the Design Review Committee gave its approvals for CPAP PLUS medical supplies storefront sign, the Day Car Wash renderings on Chalkville Mountain Road and a proposed luxury townhouse subdivision at 147 North Chalkville Road, the antique mall site.

Councilor Taylor announced the local Trussville Tribune will report that contrary to the recently publicized ADEM report, there are no traces of forever chemicals in the city's drinking water. *The story ran on April 25.* Also, the second Leadership Trussville class will graduate on May 9. Councilors Anderson & Short are among them. The city is already planning ahead for its third class. Also, the Chamber of Commerce continues to grow as new businesses have ribbon cuttings seemingly every week.

Council President Anderson announced tickets for the ACTA production *Magic Show* are available online. Also, Cahaba Elementary students will visit the history museum on April 30; the museum will be open to the public on May 18. Also, cookbook author Marty Duncan will do a cooking demonstration at the library. Also, there will be a short ceremony hosted by the Veterans committee on Memorial Day at Veterans Park. The Veterans Committee is already preparing its Veterans Day program for city schools. Also, the annual Beautification awards nomination forms are available online through May.

Mayor Choat updated the public on the Stockton traffic light and US Highway 11 public works bids, both of which remain on track for May 8 openings. Also, the city farmers market will operate on Saturday mornings in the Entertainment District. Also, Adam Black is operating the City Gateway Facebook page. Also, now that the City approved its resolution to disburse trust funds to the school board, the TCBOE will soon have its bid opening for its new softball complex and campus on Thursday April 25.

Aside from Richard Epstein's expressed desire to adjourn, there were no audience comments. With nothing left on the agenda, President Anderson promptly adjourned the meeting around 6:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Weinrib CMC
City Clerk