

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 17, 2023

The Ashland City Council met of a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 17, 2023, at 5:30 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall Auditorium with Mayor Pro Tempore Bobbie J. Steed presiding. Council Members present were Dianne Ballard, Kim M. Cain, and Annette F. Gaither. Also present were City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Robin Catrett, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Fire Chief James (Jimmy) Lee, Maintenance Supervisor Phillip Stinson, and Ray Stansell with the Clay Times Journal.

City Clerk/ Administrator Wynn called roll and deemed a quorum present.

Mayor Larry J. Fetner, Council Member Cantrell, and Parks & Recreation/Youth Sports Director Ward were absent.

Mayor Pro Tempore Steed called the meeting to order, and Council Member Cain gave the invocation.

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion to approve the previous regular meeting minutes. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Informational:

1. Head count for Legislative Luncheon at Willow Point on September 7, 2023.

Committee Reports:

Mayor Pro Tempore Steed did not report.

Council Member Ballard did not report.

Council Member Cain thanked the Maintenance Department for assistance in the park.

Council Member Gaither discussed the placement of landscape rock on the square.

Police Chief Stanford did not report.

Fire Chief Lee reported on activity since the last meeting. Chief Lee thanked everyone for the support of recent events. Chief Lee also discussed the Watermelon Festival.

Maintenance Supervisor Stinson updated everyone on the progress of the Robinson Building.

City Clerk/Administrator Wynn did not report.

New Business:

Council Member Gaither made a motion to approve the bills received since the last regular meeting in the amount of \$12,008.99. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay OverDrive \$1,500.00 for the digital catalog for the library. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Ballard made a motion to approving to pay Goodwyn, Mills, Caywood, LLC. \$2,250.00 for ATRP engineering fees. Council Member Cain seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay appropriation to Cheaha Regional Library in the amount of \$2,000.00. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving to hire Christopher Elliot as an Equipment Operator at a pay of Range 8 Step 9 effective date to be determined. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all vote were unanimous.

Council Member Cain made a motion approving to pay Alabama Law Enforcement Agency \$1,650.00 for LETS Access and SNAP Entry for Ashland Police Department. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Old Business:

Resolutions, Orders, Ordinances, and Other Business:

1. Ordinance 2023-07-17-01: An ordinance declaring as surplus certain real property owned by the City of Ashland and approving the lease of said property.

Council Member Cain made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2023-07-17-01 on the first reading. Council Member Gaither seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member Ballard- Yea

Council Member Cain- Yea

Council Member Gaither- Yea

Mayor Pro Tempore Steed- Yea

Council Member Gaither made a motion approving Ordinance 2023-07-17-01 an ordinance declaring as surplus certain real property owned by City of Ashland and approving the lease of said of property. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member Ballard- Yea

Council Member Cain- Yea

Council Member Gaither- Yea

Mayor Pro Tempore Steed- Yea

There being no further business Council Member Cain made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Ballard seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Pro Tempore

Attest