

Minutes of the Westover City Council December 16, 2014

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Westover, Alabama is held in the City of Westover, City Hall in Westover, Alabama at 6:30 p.m. on December 16, 2014, at the regular place for such regular sessions.

Upon roll call, the Mayor declares a Quorum present and the regular session open for transaction of business.

In attendance are: Councilmembers, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Buzz Ingle, Larry Riggins, Annette Tyler and Mayor, Mark McLaughlin

ABSENT: Councilmember, Dr. Jay Crisman

INVOCATION: Councilmember, Larry Riggins, followed by Mayor, McLaughlin leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor, McLaughlin reads the council's disclaimer:

The City Council of Westover thanks you for attending tonight's meeting and would like to remind everyone the following:

Anyone desiring to be on the agenda will notify the Mayor no later than five business days prior to the following scheduled meeting. All guests are limited to three minutes unless extended by a majority of the Council. All guest speakers will speak only to the subject scheduled on the agenda. Any questions or clarifications will be addressed to the Mayor and the ruling of the Mayor will be final. Again, thank you for attending and your understanding, patience and cooperation. We look forward to a productive meeting.

The Mayor announces the following:

Wishes everyone a Merry Christmas

Santa Rides through the city on December 22

The mayor asks Sherry McLaughlin to give report on parade and she notes there were over 50 entries in the parade.

Need to establish committee to work on library remodel due to Chinese drywall being replaced.

Lights at intersection of U.S. 280 and Shelby County 55 have been approved by ALDOT.

The contractor to install the lights at 280 and 55 has been contacted and work should begin soon.

Councilmember Tyler asks about the repairs of the lights in the parking lot and park and was told that an electrician has been working on the lights and further work is needed to determine the cause of the problem.

Pet waste disposal system has been installed in the park and is ready for use.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

December 2, 2014 minutes

Councilmember, Riggins with a second from Councilmember, Tyler moves to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion passes with unanimous vote

FINANCE REPORT

November 2014 Report presented to council to be held over until next meeting.

Reports of Standing Committees

ANNEXATION AND DEVELOPMENT–Councilmember, Riggins-The basic census has been sent out electronically to be completed online.

A developer has plans for eight houses in Willow Oaks to be built in the near future.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS-Councilmember, Tyler-Education-Councilmember, Ingle will make the reservations to the Alabama League of Municipalities meetings in Tuscaloosa, May 16-19 for CMO Training.

SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING-Councilmember, Champion Fisch-Have only received one zoning approval in the last few months. Asks if the city has been without a building inspector and the mayor advised the city has not been without an inspector. The new inspector is Alan McCoy who will be in training in the near future.

PARKS AND RECREATION-Councilmember, Champion Fisch-No Report

LIBRARY-Councilmember, Tyler-Library-No Report

PUBLIC SAFETY-Councilmember Buzz Ingle-New PSP people are beginning at the first of the year. Still looking for someone to drive the PSP car in the Chelsea Christmas Parade.

PUBLIC HEALTH- Councilmember, Dr. Jay Crisman-Absent

Reports of Special Committees

None

Reports of Officers

GUSC

Chair, Councilmember, Larry Riggins-GUSC No Report

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair, James Heath-Absent

HISTORICAL AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

Historical Society-Councilmember, Tyler-No Report

Beautification Board-Councilmember, Tyler-No Report

CITY ATTORNEY

Mr. Frank Ellis and Mr. Bill Justice-Absent

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Chair, Roberta Stamp-No Report

WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Morris-No Report

Old Business:

Councilmember, Riggins with second from Councilmember, Ingle moves that city pay expenses (registration, hotel, mileage) for four persons to attend the Alabama League of Municipalities convention. Unanimous vote

New Business:

Councilmember, Ingle with second from Councilmember Tyler moves to award a one-time pay adjustment for 8 city hourly employees to be paid during the month of December 2014. Motion passes with unanimous vote.

READING OF PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember, Tyler reported that the float for the library included many people and lots of candy was given out during the parade.

Councilmember Riggins suggests thanks people be reminded to put up their dogs on parade day to prevent the animals from messing up the food area at the end of the parade.

Councilmember Riggins volunteers to send out information to neighborhood representatives on upcoming events.

Motion from Councilmember, Riggins with a second from Councilmember, Ingle to adjourn. Being no discussion, the motion is put to a vote and motion carries with unanimous vote. The mayor declares council adjourned.

Submitted by,

Clerk, Wayne Jones

Mayor, Mark McLaughlin