

# Minutes of the Westover City Council

## May 20, 2015

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 May 20, 2015, 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, Dr. Jay Crisman, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Buzz Ingle, Larry Riggins, Annette Tyler, and Mayor, Mark McLaughlin

**ABSENT:** None

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember, 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.*

Reports on Chinese drywall litigation and it being dragged out by the persons involved in the suit.

Westover city offices will be closed Memorial day.

Wishes all a happy holiday.

Pending bill in the Alabama State Legislature on care providers business license exemptions discussed.

Emergency care training classes announced and passed out schedule.

VFF 160 Course announced.

Mulch placed in the playground area of the park.

Reads Alabama League of Municipalities schedule for annual conference locations for the next 5 years.

Congratulates high school graduates who live in Westover

Noted bee keepers recently had a meeting in Westover

Reports on numerous resolutions passed at Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Conference.

Presents Dr. Crissman with award not received at awards night.

Talks about Westover Reunion held on May 23, 2015 and hoped all could make it.

Talks about the Sales Tax Holiday

Discusses Home Health Care business license exemption.

Several Westover students received awards at the Chelsea High School Choir concert.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

April 15, 2015 minutes

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

Motion passes with unanimous vote

May 5, 2015 minutes

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

Motion passes with unanimous vote

## **FINANCE REPORT**

Treasurer's report to be presented at next meeting.

## **Reports of Standing Committees**

**ANNEXATION AND DEVELOPMENT**–Councilmember, Riggins-No Report

**EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**-Councilmember, Tyler-Education-No Report

Public Relations-No Report

Senior Program-To meet with Shelby County personnel concerning new Seniors bus but that Westover did not have enough seniors to reserve bus usage.

**SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING**-Councilmember, Champion Fisch-No Report

**PARKS AND RECREATION**-Councilmember, Champion Fisch-New mulch in the park playground and just in time for the Westover Reunion event and also thanks the fire department and mayor for placing it in the park.

**LIBRARY**-Councilmember, Tyler-Library-will be leasing a new printer/fax with Harrison Regional Library and it will be no charge to the city.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**-Councilmember Buzz Ingle-Passed out June PSP schedule. The PSP will be at the Westover Reunion event this Saturday. Looking for input for the PSP “Mission Statement”

**PUBLIC HEALTH**- Councilmember, Dr. Jay Crisman-Reported on rabid raccoon and the need to vaccinate pets and be on the lookout for suspicious looking animals.

#### **Reports of Special Committees**

*Library Repair Committee*-Councilmember, Riggins states this committee report should be removed. Mayor stated he would do so.

*Nuisance Abatement Committee*-Councilmember, Buzz Ingle-Working to get more members for the committee and has asked for copies of ordinances from other cities.

#### **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-Absent

**WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Fire Chief Morris-Absent

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Motion to prepare a Resolution to Participate in the 2015 Back to School Sales Tax Holiday August 7-9, 2015. Motion from Councilmember, Riggins with second from Councilmember, Champion Fisch to prepare resolution. Passed unanimously

Motion to prepare a Resolution Recognizing City of Westover graduates. Motion from Councilmember, Champion Fisch with second from Councilmember, Crissman, to prepare, put to vote and pass with unanimous vote.

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

None

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS**

**Resolution to set fees for Subpoenas**

Postponed

**Resolution to accept Crest Drive**

Postponed

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember, Tyler thanks Councilmember, Crissman for donation of coffee maker to the seniors group.

Councilmember, Crissman discussed the recognition the mayor had received at the Chelsea graduation ceremony.

Motion from Councilmember, Tyler with a second from Councilmember, Ingle moves 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,

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Councilmember, Larry Riggins

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Mayor, Mark McLaughlin