Minutes of the Westover City Council
August 15, 2017

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Westover, Alabama is held in the City of Westover, at 6:30 p.m. on August 15, 2017 at City Hall in Westover, Alabama.

Upon roll call, the Mayor declares a quorum present and the regular Council session is open.

In attendance are: Mayor Larry Riggins, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch, and Councilmembers Susan Lane, Wayne Jones, and Annette Tyler, Jay Crisman, and Clerk Nicole Brooks

Absent: None

INVOCATION: The invocation is given by Angela Riggins from the King’s Home.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance is led by Mayor Riggins.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor Riggins would like to thank everyone for attending.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the August 15, 2017 meeting are presented for adoption. Councilmember Crisman moves to adopt minutes as presented, and Councilmember Tyler seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken, and the minutes are approved unanimously as presented.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The July 2017 financial report is presented for adoption. Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch moves to adopt the July financial statements as presented, and Councilmember Tyler seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken, and the July financial reports are approved unanimously as presented.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilmember Lane announces:

The next Westover Business Alliance meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2017 at ServPro from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. No RSVP is required. Superior Scape will be sponsoring lunch.

Currently working to update the business list for area businesses listed on the City Website.

The EMA and ALDOT in Montgomery will continue to evaluate the need for a traffic signal at Highway 55. They are currently assessing the number of car crashes in that area.

She talked with Mr. Weeks, train master for Westover, and requested a meeting with CSX. Nothing has been scheduled yet.
B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Councilmember Tyler announces:

Free Parenting classes at University of Montevallo. If interested see Councilmember Tyler.

Classes are being held to add CMO hours in Alabaster on October 14, 2017.

On August 17th, Coffee with the Mayor of Vincent will be held at Vincent City Hall from 8:30 am until 9:30 am.

On September 7, 2017, the South Selby Chamber of Commerce will hold the monthly member luncheon in Columbiana at the First Baptist Church.

On September 14, 2017, Coffee with the Mayor of Westover will be held at ServePro in Westover, AL from 8:30 to 9:30.


D. PARKS AND RECREATION – Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch - No Report.

E. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM – Councilmember Tyler– No Report.

F. ANNEXATION – Councilmember Wayne Jones announces that he is currently working with potential annexations and obtaining property owners’ information for that potential property.

G. PUBLIC HEALTH – Councilmember Jay Crisman discusses diseases that citizens should be aware of.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES - None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. GOVERNMENTAL UTILITIES SERVICES CORPORATION – Mayor Riggins – There has been a meeting called on August 22, 2017 at 6:00 pm. This meeting is open to the public.

2. PLANNING COMMISSION – Mayor Riggins announces that there will be a work session on August 20, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

3. HISTORICAL AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD – Councilmember Tyler – No report

4. ATTORNEY – Mr. Bill Justice is absent.

5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Chair Roberta Stamp – No Report

6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Brent Penny announces:

   Insulation has been added at the fire station in an effort to reduce the utility bill. Enough insulation was left to insulate the library’s ceiling and was installed.
Old Business:  None

New Business:  Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch motions to hold a council work session for the next fiscal year budget on August 29, 2017 and September 7, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Councilmember Jones seconds and all are in favor. There is no discussion. This meeting is open to the public.

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

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS  - None

Ordinance 2017-8-10-1004 - Business license schedule exerts in the council packets on page 8. Mayor Riggins reads the excerpts for consideration. This is the first reading. This will lay over until the next scheduled council meeting on September 5, 2017.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Lane would like to thank Mrs. Angela Riggins for attending the meeting and giving the invocation. She is a lady to be commended for helping so many people and changing so many lives.

Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch is working to get all of Westover’s residents counted for the next US Census.

Councilmember Crisman motions to adjourn. Councilmember Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion. A voice vote is taken with all in favor, and the meeting is adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Submitted by,

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Nicole Brooks, Clerk/Treasurer

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Larry Riggins, Mayor