Minutes of the Westover City Council
October 17, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Westover, Alabama is held in the City Hall in Westover, Alabama at 6:30 p.m. on October 17, 2017.

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

In attendance are: Council Members, Wayne Jones, Susan Lane, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Annette Tyler, Jay Crisman, and Mayor Larry Riggins

Absent: None

Invocation: The invocation was given by Wayne Jones.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was led by Mayor Riggins.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins announces that the Council is dressed in pink tonight in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He also thanks to Council member Lane for recommending the support from the council.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the October 3, 2017 are presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moves to adopt minutes as presented. Council Member Jones seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the minutes are approved unanimously as presented.

TREASURER REPORT

Bank balances were presented for the Council to review. The budget has been entered into QuickBooks and should be presented at the next regularly scheduled business meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY – Council Member Lane –

The next Westover Business Alliance Meeting will be held October 19, 2017 with lunch provided by Superior Scape at ServePro from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Stan Graves with EnviroSystems and Greg Aenchbacher from Skiers Marine will be speaking.
Mike Raita will host a Facebook live event from The White House on Sunday, October 29th from 12 until 2. This is a meet and greet/open house event! Men and a pig will be selling BBQ plates, pork sandwiches, smoked wigs, Pork nachos, and hot dogs. The Heart of Dixie local hog chapter and folks with classic cars have been invited. All city officials are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Westover Fire Truck will be there giving out goodies to the children. This event is open to anyone that would like to attend.

Mr. Connell advised Council Member Lane that the intersection of Highway 55 and 280 is still under review for a traffic light.

The collaboration with CSX seems to have paid off. She also reminds us of railroad safety. Mayor Riggins and Council Member Lane had a meeting Monday with CSX and CSX wants a partnership with Westover. Mayor Riggins also states the EMS is not getting notice of the crossings and CSX management was not aware of this.

B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS Council Member Tyler -

Certified Municipal Officer Webinar is scheduled for October 24, 2017 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Registration is open now and the cost is $37. It is non-refundable. Please contact the Clerk to register.

Coffee with the Mayor of Wilsonville will be October 19, 2017 at Wilsonville Town Hall from 8:30 am to 9:30 am.

October Tales will be held in the Park on October 21, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Thanks to Council member Champion-Fisch for the hard work to put all of this together.

C. SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING – Council Member Champion-Fisch - No report

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

E. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler - No report

F. ANNEXATION – Council Member Jones – No report

G. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council member Crisman reminds us of the importance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Men can also be diagnosed. Self-exams are necessary for everyone.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. GOVERNMENTAL UTILITIES SERVICES CORPORATION – Council Member Tyler – No report
2. PLANNING COMMISSION – Chairman Wiggins – Absent

3. HISTORICAL AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD – Council Member Tyler – No Report

4. ATTORNEY – Mr. Bill Justice - Absent

5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp - No report

6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent. Mayor Riggins announces the brakes on the reserve engine failed and will need to be repaired. This will be pretty expensive but the City needs this truck as a backup. Also, there was tire failure on Engine 291. Chief Penny also found someone else to donate food and cook for the Christmas parade.

Old Business:

Council Member Tyler moves to purchase the magnets for the doors of the PSP car. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the motion is approved unanimously.

New Business:

Resolution #2017-10-17-2016 for authorizing a donation to Kings Home Inc. - Council Member Lane moves to adopt the resolution. Council Member Tyler seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the resolution is approved unanimously as presented.

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

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS –

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Music in the park was a big success. The weather was perfect and there were many people there. There was also positive press from Shelby County Reporter, Steven Dawkins.

October Tales is this week and the fire department will help.

Council member Lane thanks the Council and Mayor for wearing pink for breast cancer awareness.
Council member Champion-Fisch thanks Council member Jones for the signs to tell citizens where the location of the services are in relation to the drive into Westover. They are in place now.

Council member Tyler announces that the Christmas Parade committee meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2017. If you can attend, please join us.

Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch moves to adjourn with a second from Council Member Jones. A voice vote is taken, all yeas. The meeting is adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Submitted by,

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Clerk, Nicole Brooks

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Mayor, Larry Riggins