

Minutes of the Westover City Council

December 19, 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 6:41 p.m. on December 19, 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, Annette Tyler, Susan Lane, and Mayor Larry Riggins

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion Fisch, Jay Crisman. Quorum is declared.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Commissioner Ed Stowell.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins welcomes everyone tonight. Unfortunately, in the best interest to the public, the parade was cancelled. The US Census financial data has been submitted, and the first census work session will be January 19, 2017.

Wayne Barber and John Deloach present the 2016 fiscal year audit, including the review of the financial statements.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Council Member Lane requested an amendment to the minutes. The minutes of the December 5, 2017 meeting are presented for adoption as amended. Council Member Tyler moves to adopt minutes as amended. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the minutes are approved unanimously as amended.

TREASURER REPORT

Bank balances as of today's date are presented for the Council to review in the packet. The budget versus actuals with actuals October and November 2017 has been presented for discussion. This is tabled until next meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

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

The Westover Business Alliance Luncheon will be Thursday, January 18, 2017 at The White House Event Space from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Lunch will be provided and speakers will be the Kings Home.

The Birmingham Boat Show will be at the Birmingham Jefferson Convention Complex January 18-21, 2018. Two of the local boat sales companies in Westover will be showcasing products. Skiers Marine and Rambo Marine will be there.

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

CSX Railroad will provide training for Fire, EMS, the Sheriff's Department, and 911 operators beginning on January 30, 2018 and end on February 2, 2018. The CEO of CSX passed away. Ms Lane met with Sherriff Samaniego, and he likes the idea of training.

- B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS Council Member Tyler announces that Greg Lawrence is coming January 10, 2017 for a presentation for Clear Captions. Anyone can come at 10:00 am.
- C. SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING – Council Member Champion-Fisch - Absent
- D. PARKS AND RECREATION – Council Member Champion-Fisch – Absent
- E. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler – Needs volunteers to help in taking out of date books out of the library and donate them. Please let her know if you can help.
- F. ANNEXATION – Council Member Jones – No report
- G. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council Member Crisman – Absent

Report of Special Committees

None

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 – Mayor Riggins states that he is working with the attorney on bids for demolition of the Strother property. We have received a request for bid to review from the attorney.
5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp - No report

6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent

Old Business:

None

New Business:

In the pre-meeting, auditors Wayne Barber and John Deloach had presented the 2016 Fiscal Year Audit. There is a motion to adopt audit by Council Member Jones and a second from Council Member Tyler. There is no discussion, and the motion passes unanimously.

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

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS –

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Jones reminds everyone that City Hall will be closed on Friday December 22 and December 25, 2017 for Christmas and January 1, 2018 for New Year's Day.

Wishes for a merry Christmas were given by several.

Council Member Tyler moves to adjourn with a second from Council Member Lane. A voice vote is taken, all yeas. The meeting is adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Submitted by,

Clerk, Nicole Brooks

Mayor, Larry Riggins