

Minutes of the Westover City Council
May 15, 2018

The 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 May 15, 2018.

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 and Council Member Jay Crisman

Invocation: The invocation was given by Ed Stowell.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins announces that the census preparation work is still in progress. We have completed all address reviews. There are very few address corrections. Roberta Stamp has all of the information. We will double check with Eric Womack from Shelby County before submitting. He would also like to publicly thank Roberta Stamp for her role as the liaison due to Jeanne Champion-Fisch's illness.

Mayor Riggins also reports on the Broadband Initiative in Shelby County. The group is putting a plan together and is searching for a grant writer to write the grant for funding.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the May 1, 2018 meeting are presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moves to postpone the approval. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken, and the minutes are held until the next meeting.

TREASURER REPORT

The October through April 2018 report has been presented for review and discussion in premeeting by the Clerk. Mayor Riggins announces that we will postpone the vote until the next meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY – Council Member Lane reminds everyone:
The Westover Business Alliance Luncheon will be on Thursday, July 26, 2018 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm at Servpro in Westover.
Keep it Local, it Matters
The consultant for ALDOT is continuing to look at the intersection at Highway 280 and 55 for possible alternatives.
She is also continuing to collaborate with the CSX Railroad and Operation Lifesaver on Rail Safety Week.
The CSX Railroad wants me to remind all citizens to not go around crossing gates when down and stop when signals are on.

- B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Council Member Tyler- No report
- C. SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING – Council Member Champion-Fisch – Absent
- D. PARKS AND RECREATION – Council Member Champion-Fisch – Absent. Mayor Riggins announces that May 7th was a work day in the park. The dead Cyprus trees have been removed, 5 panels of the fence have been repaired, gravel has been spread in holes, and mulch has been spread over the playground.. The water fountain repair will be done shortly. The part has been ordered and came in yesterday.
- E. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler - No report
- 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 announces that a reimbursement check has been received for the demolition of the Strother Property for \$24,400.
5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp – Absent
6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Mayor Riggins entertains a motion to enter into Executive Session. Council Member Lane moves to enter into executive session. Council Member Tyler seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. Clerk Brooks starts a roll call vote:

Annette Tyler	yea
Susan Lane	yea
Wayne Jones	yea
Jeanne Champion-Fisch	absent
Jay Crisman	absent
Mayor Riggins	yea

The motion is approved unanimously. Mayor Riggins announces to the audience that the Council meeting will reconvene in 15 minutes. Time of Executive Session: 6:45 pm and reconvened at 6:57 pm.

Mayor Riggins announces that at this time, I declare Council Member and Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch removed from the Council subsequent to section 11-40-25 upon being absent 90 consecutive days from regular and special meetings.

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

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Lane announces that “Tricia Hyde, Treasurer for The Chelsea Business Alliance, passed away on Saturday. I attended her visitation today. She was 43. Please keep her family and The CBA in your prayers”.

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 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Clerk, Nicole Brooks

Mayor, Larry Riggins