

Minutes of the Westover City Council
October 2, 2018

The meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Westover, Alabama was held in the City Hall in Westover, Alabama at 6:30 p.m. on October 2, 2018.

Upon roll call, the Mayor declared a quorum present and the regular session opened for transaction of business.

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

Absent: None

Invocation: The invocation was given by Commissioner Ed Stowell.

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

Communications

Mayor Riggins announces that we have a Petition for merging five Improvement Districts. See page 9 of the packet created by resolutions in 2007. The purpose is to aid in the Bonds closing for improvements and assessments in the newly created district. The City posted notice of the public hearing on September 24, 2018 in the 4 normal places within the city. Today, we will have a public hearing on the merger for Pine Mountain Preserve LLLP.

Per Doug Eddlemen, the purpose is to combine the improvement districts in order to finance the bond that will cover the road coming into the town center.

Per Heyward Hosch, the request is for combining five improvement districts into one.

The Public Hearing opens at 6:46 pm.

No speakers in opposition at this time.

No speakers in favor of the petition at this time.

The Public Hearing is closed at 6:47 pm.

Mayor Riggins opens the floor for questions from the Council.

Council Member Tyler moved to approve Resolution 2018-10-02-2027 to Merge 5 Improvement Districts for Pine Mountain Preserve LLLP as presented. Council Member Lane seconded the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the resolution was approved unanimously as presented.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting were presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Council Member Lane seconded the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

TREASURER REPORT

The August year to date treasurer's report was presented for review and discussion in premeeting in the September 4, 2018. This will be held until next meeting on October 16, 2018.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY –

Council Member Lane reminded everyone:

The next Westover Business Alliance Luncheon will be on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm at Servpro. No RSVP required. Bring business cards and be ready to network.

Stay tuned for details on The afterhours collaborative event between Chelsea and Westover Business Alliances.

Teshua Farms in Westover will have a Pumpkin Patch! It starts October 5th and goes until until October 28th. The hours are Friday's from 1:00 to 6:00 pm, Saturday's from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Sunday's from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Featuring hay rides, hay slide, petting zoo, corn pit, petting zoo, local arts and crafts.

The 3 Mayor's 5K race will be Saturday November 17, 2018. Registration can be done online at active.com. All proceeds benefit The Vincent Middle High School. This has been sponsored by the Capital Campaign.

We celebrated Rail Safety Week with our partners, Operation Lifesaver and the CSX Railroad. There were well over 1,000 people attend The Homecoming Parade. The 3 Mayors, Mayor Riggins (Westover), Mayor Green (Harpersville), and Mayor McAllister (Vincent) were the Grand Marshals. Thanks to Mike Betz for driving her, and the Student Railroad Ambassadors through the parade. Spreading the message of Rail Safety is so important. There has been television media, social media, and newspaper. We are on the main website of Shelby County Schools as well. I want to thank everyone for all the incoming support and the outgoing efforts.

B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Council Member Tyler announced:

The Senior Leadership Academy is this next Friday morning at the Chelsea Community Center.

On October 4, 2018, the South Shelby County Chamber of Commerce Membership luncheon is at Columbiana First Baptist Church from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.

On October 17, 2018, there will be an ambassador meeting for the South Shelby Chamber of Commerce.

On October 30, 2018, South Shelby Chamber of Commerce will host the Harpersville Coffee with the Mayor.

Thanks to Penny Kovakas for letting the City use the White House for Coffee with the Mayor of Westover.

C. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler announced that the books have been purchased and we are very excited about the improvements coming to the library.

D. ANNEXATION – Council Member Jones – No report

E. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council Member Crisman reminds us about bully prevention awareness month, eye injury prevention month, and domestic violence prevention month. There have also been several snake bites on animals lately, so be very careful of snakes at this time.

Reports of Special Committees

None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. GOVERNMENTAL UTILITIES SERVICES CORPORATION – Council Member Tyler – No Report
2. PLANNING COMMISSION – Chairman Wiggins – Absent – Commissioner Ed Stowell - No report.
3. ATTORNEY –Mr. Bill Justice would like to thank Hayward Hosch, for getting documents to us in a timely manner. We are still waiting on communication from the Secretary of State about the volunteer fire department’s land and equipment. Also, the nuisance ordinance under review can now be considered legal and can be considered before the Council.
4. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp - No report
5. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny announces: Both F150’s have been stripped. On Sunday, the flags will be at half-staff in memory of fallen firefighters.

Old Business:

Mayor Riggins stated that the review of the sample nuisance ordinance presented in the September 18, 2018 meeting will be discussed in the next meeting on October 16, 2018. He stated he hoped to have a Public hearing in November on the proposed ordinance.

New Business:

Mayor Riggins announces that applications are being taken for Council Place 5. The application is available on the website and here at City Hall.

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

None

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

None, further (Improvement District adopted earlier)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Crisman thanks everyone for coming to Coffee with the Mayor. There were a lot of people that attended.

Council Member Jones thanks Doug Eddleman for attending the meeting.

Council Member Tyler moved to adjourn with a second from Council Member Crisman. No discussion. A voice vote was taken, and all yeas. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted by,

Clerk, Nicole Brooks

Mayor, Larry Riggins