Minutes of the Westover City Council
November 20, 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 November 20, 2018.

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

In attendance were: Council Members Susan Lane, Annette Tyler, Wayne Jones, and Mayor Larry Riggins. Council member Jay Crisman arrived at 6:33 pm.

Absent: None

Invocation: The invocation was given by Commissioner Ed Stowell.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins thanked everyone for attending. He announced the public hearing tonight. Clerk Brooks swore in Roberta Stamp as Council member Place 5. Judge Allison Boyd was unable to attend. Mayor Riggins also announced that the Christmas parade will be December 8, 2018 at 10:00 am.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the November 6, 2018 meeting were presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Council Member Crisman seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing concerning the proposed Nuisance/Junk Ordinance # 2018-11-20-1007
Purpose: Nuisance/Junk Ordinance to eliminate and control rubbish, garbage, litter, inoperative, motor vehicles, junk, and other nuisances within the corporate limits of the City of Westover, Alabama
Statement of notice provided – online presence on the Westover City website and notices hung publicly in the 4 normal public places in Westover.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:43 pm.
No speakers in opposition at that time.
No speakers in favor of the petition at that time.
The Public Hearing closed at 6:44 pm.
Mayor Riggins opened the floor for questions from the Council.
Council Member Crisman explained the amount of time the council spent editing this ordinance to help our community.

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer’s report for October 2018 was presented in the November 6, 2018 pre-meeting. Council Member Tyler moved to adopt the Treasurer’s reports for October 2018 as presented. Council Member Jones
seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the financial report was approved unanimously as presented.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY – Council Member Lane announces:
The Westover Business Alliance Advisory Board decided at the last meeting for 2019 that luncheons will remain quarterly on the 4th Thursday of the month in January, April, July, and October.

The 2nd Annual Chelsea/Westover Business Alliance After hours Collaborative event went well. We had 45 in attendance and several new faces. Thanks to all for your support.

The First Annual 3Mayor 5k was Saturday, November 17, 2018. There were 55 runners. She also thanked our generous Westover business sponsors.
Platinum Sponsors: Dr. Honea, Honea Family Dentistry, and The CSX Railroad
Bronze Sponsors: Dr. Crisman, 280 Animal Hospital, Michael Sampsell, Superiorscape, and Servpro. She also thanked friends of Westover: Skiers Marine, Rett Tyler for donating backpacks and Rambo for donating key chains.

She also thanked Mayor Riggins, Mayor Greene, and Mayor McAllister for the support. All the money raised goes to Vincent Middle High School. The capital campaign has a five year plan in place for some large items needed for Students.

Public Safety - The Intersection at the Highway 55 crossing will be closed for 48 hours. The CSX Railroad is replacing cross ties and rubber then ALDOT will pave and finish the crossing. The highway 51 crossing is complete. Please remember "see tracks think train"

The Shelby County Sheriff’s office wants me to remind all citizens of their Public service announcement lock it, hide it, keep it.

B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Council Member Tyler announced that the Seniors have completed the Senior Leadership Academy.

C. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler announced that she will be submitting grant applications to add more inventory to the library.

D. ANNEXATION – Council Member Wayne Jones announced that he is working with 2 prospective property owners.

E. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council Member Crisman reminded us to travel safely. Also, November is Men’s health awareness month.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. GOVERNMENTAL UTILITIES SERVICES CORPORATION – Council Member Tyler – No Report.

2. PLANNING COMMISSION – Chairman Wiggins – Absent.
3. ATTORNEY – Mr. Bill Justice – No report.

4. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Council Member Stamp announced at the last meeting this past Monday, the board elected a new chairperson, Robert Evans. Mayor Riggins thanked Roberta for her service.

5. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent.

Old Business:

Nuisance Ordinance – no discussion.

New Business:

Request for bid for lawn services for 2019 - Council Member Tyler moved to request bids. Council Member Lane seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the request was approved unanimously. The Mayor will write the request and present it to the council at a later date.

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

None

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

Ordinance 2018-11-20-1007 Nuisance/Junk - Clerk Brooks read the synopsis aloud for the first time with unanimous consent from the Mayor and Council. There was a motion to suspend the second reading of the synopsis and ordinance. Council Member Jones moved to suspend the rules. Council Member Tyler seconded. There was no discussion to suspend rules. There was a roll call vote, and all yeas.

Roberta Stamp - Yea
Jay Crisman - Yea
Wayne Jones - Yea
Annette Tyler - Yea
Susan Lane - Yea
Mayor Riggins - Yea

The rules were suspended. Council member Tyler moved to adopt the ordinance. Council member Stamp seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote, and all yeas.

Roberta Stamp - Yea
Jay Crisman - Yea
Wayne Jones - Yea
Annette Tyler - Yea
Susan Lane - Yea
Mayor Riggins - Yea
The Ordinance was adopted and the Clerk will file with Probate Court after posting at City Hall as required by state statutes.
COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council member Lane thanked Ben Dunham for agreeing to serve on the Westover Business Alliance Advisory Board. Council member Crisman also thanked Ben and welcomed Council Member Stamp.

Council Member Jones and Tyler also thanked and welcomed Council member Stamp.

Council Member Jones moved to adjourn with a second from Council Member Tyler No discussion. A voice vote was taken, all yeas. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Clerk, Nicole Brooks

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Mayor, Larry Riggins