

Minutes of the Westover City Council

September 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 6:30 p.m. on September 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, Jay Crisman, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Susan Lane, Annette Tyler, and Mayor, Larry Riggins

Absent: None

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Danny Lovett from The Church at Chelsea Westover.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins announces there will be a special called budget work session meeting on September 21, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Notices will be posted tonight.

Mayor Riggins also announces that the Christmas Parade is coming up and we should form a committee to handle the many tasks involved with the Parade. If anyone would like to volunteer for this committee, contact the clerk, anyone on the council, or himself.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the September 5, 2017 are presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moves to adopt minutes as corrected in pre meeting. 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 presented.

Also presented for adoption is the September 7, 2017 Budget Work Session minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch moves to adopt the minutes as written, Council Member Tyler seconds the motion. There is no discussion. A voice vote is taken, and the minutes are approved unanimously as presented.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

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

The next Business Alliance Meeting will be held October 19, 2017 with lunch provided by Superior Scape at ServePro from 12 to 1. Bring business cards.

Business list on website has been updated.

Shelby County Drug Coalition will meet on September 20, 2017 from 8:30 am to 10:00 am at Family Connection in Alabaster, AL.

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

Council Member Lane also discussed the train blocking the tracks with a citizen. This citizen commented that the train was not blocking the track on September 13, 2017. The train unhooked from the car and left the road open to get passed the train. Also on September 17, Council Member Lane witnessed the train stopped but was not blocking the track.

B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS Council Member Tyler -

Mayor Riggins, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch, and herself traveled to Priceville for Certified Municipal Officer (CMO) training. The class was informative. All council should begin working on the CMO certification if you haven't already. There is also a webinar discussing the duties for mayor and council and everyone should sign up. It is scheduled for October 3, 2017 from 12:00pm to 1:00 pm.

Shelby County Fair will be held on October 2-7, 2017 at the Shelby County Exhibition Center. Please see her or call her for more information about the booth information.

Shelby County Health and Info Fair will be held on October 20, 2017. Lunch will be provided at no cost. This is part of the Senior Program in Shelby County.

The Luncheon for South Shelby Chamber of Commerce will be in Columbiana at First Baptist Church of Columbiana on Thursday October 5, 2017 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

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

C. SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING – Council Member Champion-Fisch announces that Pine Mountain Preserve, Doug Eddlemen will be bringing plans to the planning commission soon.

- 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 received the maps and is in the process of getting land owner’s information so they can be contacted. Wayne would like to start a committee to help annex potential property.
- G. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council Member Crisman discusses diseases that citizens should be aware of.

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 the letter asking for invoices from June and July 2016 Visa statements has been sent by the attorney. We are still waiting to hear from Visa.
- 5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp reports that Kermit “Buzz” Ingle has agreed to be a member of the Board and would like to ask Mayor and Council to appoint for 3 years beginning today and expiring September 18, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch motions to appoint Kermit Ingle to term. There is a second from Council Member Lane. There is no discussion on the motion. All are in favor with none opposed. It is unanimous.
- 6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent

Old Business:

Mayor Riggins announces:

The Strother property owner has been notified and must reply by October 20, 2017.

The Laptop computer for working on the Census will be delayed until the next meeting. We need one more work session to discuss the budget on 09-21-2017. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch motions to have a budget work session on September 21, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion and all are in favor. It is unanimous.

New Business:

Council Member Lane motions to purchase 8 flags now for the US Highway 280 median. Council Member Jones seconds the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch asks what kind of recognition the donors will get. Mayor Riggins states he would like for the City to place a plaque around City Hall and have the names of the donors engraved on plaque. No more discussion. All in favor to purchase 8 more flags. The decision is unanimous.

Council Member Lane motions to sign South Shelby Chamber of Commerce contract with payment of \$1000 payable in October 2017. Council Member Tyler seconds the motion. There is no other discussion. All are in favor and it is unanimous.

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

None

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS –

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Lane thanks Pastor Danny Lovett from Chelsea Church of Westover for coming tonight. The Business list on the website has been updated. Council Member Lane also commends Mayor Riggins speech was encouraging, and there was a large crowd at Coffee with the Mayor of Westover last week.

Council Member Crisman commends the city for buying more flags. Also, the next Business Alliance meeting will be on October 19, 2017. Stan Graves from Envirosystems will be the speaker. He also thanks Council Member Lane for working with CSX.

Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch welcomes Kermit “Buzz” Ingle to the Board of Zoning Adjustments. She would also like to thank the Fire Department, Randy Wiggins, Michael Sampsell, and the Mayor for working hard while placing the flags in the ground.

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 6:59 pm.

Submitted by,

Clerk, Nicole Brooks

Mayor, Larry Riggins