

# **Minutes of the Westover City Council**

## **November 7, 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 November 7, 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, Susan Lane, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Annette Tyler, Jay Crisman, and Mayor Larry Riggins

Absent: None

**Invocation:** The invocation was given by Council member Jay Crisman.

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

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Riggins announces. Mayor Riggins would like to thank everyone for attending and announces a citizen will be speaking during the meeting. He also reminds any citizens who would like to address the council to fill out a request to be placed on the agenda with the Clerk. This will need to be completed and approved 5 days before the meeting.

### **READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the October 17, 2017 are presented for adoption. Council Member Tyler moves to adopt minutes as presented. 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.

### **TREASURER REPORT**

Bank balances are present for the Council to review in the packet. The 2018 fiscal year budget is presented with October 2017 actuals. September 2017 actuals and budget amounts are tabled for presentation at the next regular council meeting.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

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

The Westover Business Alliance and the Chelsea Business Alliance will have the first annual after hours social on November 14, 2017 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm The White House Event Space in Westover. Tickets are \$15 for food and beverage. Tickets can be purchase from Council member Lane. This is a joint effort between The Westover Business Alliance and the Chelsea Business Alliance.

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.

Mr. Connell advised Council Member Lane that the intersection of Highway 55 and 280 is still under review for a traffic light. There is a meeting next week and this will be one of the topics. Left turn signal sign is facing backwards but ALDOT has been contacted and has scheduled this to be fixed sometime next week.

The next Westover Business Alliance Meeting will be on January 18, 2018 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

She has also spoken with Hub Harvey, the EMA director. He will be helping to coordinate with the training CSX will provide for Fire, EMS, the Sheriff's Department, and 911 operators.

**B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS Council Member Tyler -**

On November 9, the Senior Citizens in Shelby County have been invited to a concert at the Alys Stephens Symphony Hall at UAB. Contact Mrs. Annette if you are interested in attending this event.

**C. SUBDIVISIONS AND ZONING – Council Member Champion-Fisch - No report**

**D. PARKS AND RECREATION – Mayor Pro Tem Jeanne Champion-Fisch shows appreciate for the park and the work that has been done to keep it nice.**

**E. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Council Member Tyler - No report**

**F. ANNEXATION – Council Member Jones – No report**

**G. PUBLIC HEALTH - Council member Crisman reminds us of the importance of cold and flu season and the need for protection by vaccination.**

**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
5. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS – Robert Stamp - No report
6. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Penny – Absent.  
Mayor Riggins announces the brakes on the reserve engine failed and will need to be repaired. This will be pretty expensive but the City needs this truck as a backup. Also, there was tire failure on Engine 291. Chief Penny also found someone else to donate food and cook for the Christmas parade.

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

Pay Invoice for \$6,520.44 for the repair of the brakes on Engine 292 - Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch moves to pay the invoice. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the resolution is approved unanimously as presented.

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

None

### **RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS –**

Resolution #2017-11-7-2017 for the demolition of Strother's property - Council Member Tyler moves to adopt the resolution. Council Member Lane seconds the motion. There is no discussion on the motion. A voice vote is taken and the resolution is approved unanimously as presented.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council member Lane would like to congratulate the Mayor and Council members for it being 1 year today since everyone took office. She also thanks everyone for working so well together and being so transparent. Transparency creates trust which equals opportunity in our community! She also recognizes Jenifer Somers. She had 14 cats in her neighborhood spayed or neutered.

Mayor Pro tem Champion-Fisch thanks everyone for helping with October Tales. Roberta Stamp, Wayne Jones, Annette Tyler, and Mayor Riggins were present and helping. Special thanks to the fire department for stringing lights.

Council member Jones congratulates the Council and Mayor for teamwork for the past year. This is a great group who has the best interest for the city.

Council member Crisman commented on how many kids came to the trunk or treat at Church of Chelsea Westover. There were over 600 people in attendance.

Council member Tyler wants everyone to acknowledge the change in the parade route.

Mayor Riggins also comments on the Council and it being 1 year since taking office. The park's bathrooms now have the toilets repaired.

Mayor Pro Tem Champion-Fisch moves to adjourn with a second from Council Member Tyler. A voice vote is taken, all yeas. The meeting is adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Submitted by,

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Clerk, Nicole Brooks

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Mayor, Larry Riggins