

**Minutes of the Westover City Council**  
**December 3, 2019**

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 December 3, 2019.

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

**In attendance were:** Councilmembers Susan Lane, Annette Tyler, Wayne Jones, Jay Crisman, and Roberta Stamp, 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**

The Mayor stated that the planning for the 2019 Westover Christmas Parade (Saturday, December 14) was on schedule. There will be another planning meeting Thursday, December 5 at City Hall at 5:30 pm. This will be an open meeting.

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

The minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting were presented for adoption. Councilmember Tyler moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember Lane seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

**TREASURER REPORT**

An amendment is needed for the 2019-2020 fiscal city budget approved on September 3, 2019 with total revenues of \$664,514.21 and total expenses of \$600,723.10.

Corrections were needed to these two amounts due to errors discovered in calculations in the original workbook provided to the council and the amended expenses include the anticipated \$3,000 donation to Vincent Middle High School.

Councilmember Jones made a motion to amend the fiscal city budget to include revenues of \$695,841.46 and expenses of \$634,828.16. Councilmember Lane seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. A voice vote was taken, and the motion for the amended fiscal city budget was adopted unanimously.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilmember Lane announced:**

**Business Development:**

Camelot Manor will host an Open House on Sunday, December 8th 1-4pm. All are invited to stop by and enjoy this event. Details are on their Facebook page.

The next Westover Business Alliance Luncheon will be on Thursday, January 23rd 2019 12-1 pm at

ServPro. Brian Lay, District Manager from Dollar General will be our keynote speaker.

The 2020 Boat Show is Thursday, January 23rd through Sunday, January 26th. Stop by and say Hello to Rambo and Skiers Marine.

Reasons to shop Local: Economic stimulus; Local business owners invest in the community; Customer service is better; Most jobs are provided by local businesses.

Public Safety:

Thank you to the Westover Fire Department for participating in the Town of Vincent's Christmas Parade last night.

The Shelby County Sherriff's office wants me to remind citizens: "Lock it, Hide It, Keep it".

The CSX Railroad wants me to remind citizens: please do not go around the crossing gates when down, and stop when the crossing signals are on. "See Tracks, Think Train."

**B. EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Councilmember Tyler announced under Public Relations:**

The following Shelby County Chamber events:

December 9: South Shelby Career Concept Conference

December 12: Education Connection at Shelby County High School. 8:15-9:30 am.

December 19: Annual Boots and Bow Ties event with silent auction at Old Mill Square in Columbiana. 5:30-7:00 pm.

**C. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM –Councilmember Tyler announced:**

The Harrison Regional Library is submitting grants for new computers in libraries so as to update all computer equipment. There will be no cost to Westover.

We are doing our own grant applications for the Senior Program for 2020.

**D. ANNEXATION AND ZONING – Councilmember Jones: No report.**

**E. PUBLIC HEALTH - Councilmember Crisman announced the following:**

December 1-7 is National Influenza Vaccination Week - get your flu vaccines.

December 2-8 is National Hand Washing Awareness Week.

**F. SUBDIVISIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Councilmember Stamp: No Report**

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

A. 2020 Census – Councilmember Stamp: No report.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

1. GOVERNMENTAL UTILITIES SERVICES CORPORATION – Councilmember Tyler – No Report.

2. PLANNING COMMISSION – Chairman Wiggins – Absent.

3. ATTORNEY –Mr. Bill Justice – Absent.

4. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS –Chairman Floyd – Absent.

Mayor Riggins mentioned that there will be a case coming up for them soon.

5. WESTOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Kelly Morris - Absent:  
Assistant Chief Miccah Woodley provided a report:  
They are still working on improving their ISO rating.  
There are outstanding grants for firefighter gear.  
He is working on a federal grant for: new fire truck, new heart monitor and new air pack. These would be 90/10 grants (city paying 10% of final cost).  
In the past month the fire department went out on 19 calls (10 -medical, 3 - fire, 3 - vehicle, 1 – mutual aid, 1 - alarm, 1 - public assist).

**Old Business:**

Volunteer Fire Assets update: Mayor sent an affidavit to the Attorney General indicating there has been no response to the public notices. A hearing has been requested with Judge Moore for ruling, but still waiting for this to be scheduled.

Demolitions status update: Council approved two motions for demolition. They are both in progress. At one location the structures are all down and the owners are in the process of clearing it up. This brings to a total of seven structures demolished so far during this Council's tenure. All at no cost to the city.

**New Business:**

None

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

None

**MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS**

None

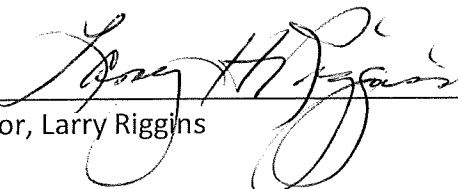
**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Jones asked if there had been any updates yet on the Westervelt properties. The Mayor said not yet.

Councilmember Jones moved to adjourn with a second from Councilmember Tyler. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken, all yeas. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Submitted by,

  
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Councilmember Roberta Stamp

  
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Mayor, Larry Riggins