

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
February 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on February 14, 2017, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Pro Tempore Cedric Wilson, Councilmembers Linda McCraw, Eddy Campbell, Jason Cowart, and Jerry Nichols. Also present were Police Chief Danny Jenkins, City Attorney Dale Lawrence, City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Fire Chief Tony Ellis and City Engineer Dewayne Roby. Mayor Ray Nelson was absent due to illness.

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Eddy Campbell.

Mayor Pro Tempore Cedric Wilson announced a quorum was present and the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Cowart moved the minutes of the hearing and special meeting held on January 31, 2017, be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

PARADE PERMIT

Mayor Pro Tempore Wilson presented to the Council a request for permit for the Fayette Medical Center 5K run to be held on March 11, 2017. Councilmember Cowart moved the permit be granted. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 2017-01

Mayor Pro Tempore Wilson presented Resolution 2017-01 to the Council for their consideration. Resolution 2017-01 is as follows:

RESOLUTION 2017-01

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE GRANT FROM THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Fayette has received a grant from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs for a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Project in the amount of \$100,000, and

WHEREAS, the project will be referred to as the City of Fayette Rails-to-Trails Project (RTP Project #: 16-RT-54-03), and

WHEREAS, the scope and purpose of this project is to purchase a portion of the abandoned Norfolk Southern rail bed for the purpose of constructing a multipurpose – non-motorized trail in the future, and

WHEREAS, the Fayette City Council recognizes that it is in the City of Fayette's best interest to accept this grant and provide the matching funds committed in support of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City Council of Fayette will commit \$25,000 in matching funds in support of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of Fayette recognizes that Ray Nelson, Mayor, is authorized and is deemed the appropriate person to sign all grant agreements, certifications, assurances, and any other necessary documents associated with the implementation of this grant project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the **14th** day of **February 2017**.

Mayor Ray Nelson

ATTEST:

City Clerk Dawn Clapp

Councilmember Campbell moved the Council adopt Resolution 2017-01. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously adopted.

ORDINANCE 2017-01

Mayor Pro Tempore Wilson presented Ordinance 2017-01 to the Council for their consideration. Ordinance 2017-01 is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LEASING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
OWNED BY THE CITY OF FAYETTE, ALABAMA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTE, ALABAMA, as follows:

Section 1: The City Council of the City of Fayette, Alabama (City), does hereby ascertain and declare the following facts are true:

1. That the City of Fayette, Alabama owns real property located on 5th Avenue NE (Ayers Road).
2. That Best Glove, Inc., desires to lease a portion of the building located on the property for storage purposes.
3. That the property that Best Glove, Inc., seeks to lease is more particularly described as follows viz:

5000 square feet of space in the building
located on the following described property:

Begin at the NW corner of Lot No. 7 of the Wages Subdivision as recorded in Book No. 1 on page 176 of the Probate Records of Fayette County; thence go North along the East right-of-way line of 5th Avenue NE (Ayers Road) for a distance of 25 feet to the center of a public street that has been vacated, thence go East along the center of said street for a distance of 10 feet to a point, which is the point of beginning; thence go North and parallel with the East right-of-way line of 5th Avenue NE (Ayers Road) for a distance of 290.4 feet go a point; thence go North 85 degrees and 50 minutes East for a distance of 312.0 feet to a point; thence go Southerly along a straight line for a distance of 340.0 feet to a point in the center of said vacated street, said point being located 25 feet North of the NE corner of Lot No. 9 of the Wages Subdivision; thence go Westerly along the center of said vacated subdivision for a distance of 300 feet to the point of beginning. Less and Except: That portion of the above described property leased to Ox Bodies, Inc.

Section 2: The City Council of the City of Fayette, Alabama, does hereby affirm, ascertain and declare that the above-described lands are not needed for public or municipal purposes and that it will be in the best interest of the City of Fayette, Alabama, and its inhabitants that its interest in such lands be leased.

Section 3: That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the lease of such property and any other necessary documents to Best Glove, Inc.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall become effective from and after the date of its adoption.
ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this the ____ of February 2017.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Councilmember McCraw moved the Council give unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 2017-01. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved. Councilmember McCraw moved that the Council adopt Ordinance 2017-01. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Cowart, the same was unanimously adopted.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Tony Ellis presented the fire report for the month of January 2017. The Fire Department received 24 total calls, 3 being fire calls.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Danny Jenkins presented the police report for the month of January 2017. The report was as follows: 32 incidents investigated; 15 accidents; 272 traffic citations; and 41 arrests.

The Police Department was commended for their investigation and apprehension of the suspects who recently tried to rob the local West Alabama Bank.

Police Chief Jenkins said traffic citations increased because the Police Department was eligible for federal highway traffic safety grants to pay officers overtime for working traffic safety. The grant allowed two officers to work solely on traffic safety.

Police Chief Jenkins reported he had given Alabama Power Company the list of street lights to be repaired. He stated he will be providing a list each month to Alabama Power Company.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Cowart moved the City's financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF PARK & RECREATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Cowart moved the Park & Recreation financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

ALCOHOL ORDINANCE

Councilmember Cowart moved to table discussion of revisions to the alcohol ordinance. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

REPORT OF CITY CLERK

City Clerk Dawn Clapp reported for the month of January, the City received \$267,904.00 in non-designated sales tax. This was an increase of \$31,000.00 over the amount received last year. She reported the ½¢ sales tax for the hospital generated \$44,500.00. She stated the City received \$8,021.00 in alcohol taxes. Also, the City has collected \$81,000.00 in business license fees.

REPORT OF COUNCILMEMBER NICHOLS

Councilmember Nichols commended Marty Weeks for investigating the ditching issues in Ward 5.

REPORT OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Mayor Pro Tempore Wilson reported the leaf machine is in the process of being repaired by the City Mechanic. The parts for the repair of the machine cost \$2,100.00. City Engineer Dewayne Roby said once the leaf machine is back in operation, it would continue to run until mid-March.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon the motion to adjourn being made by Councilmember Campbell and seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk