

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
December 21, 2018

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 12:15 o'clock, p.m. on December 21, 2018, at the Civic Center.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Ray Nelson, Councilmembers Linda McCraw, Eddy Campbell and Cedric Wilson. Also present were Police Chief Danny Jenkins, City Attorney Dale Lawrence, City Clerk Dawn Clapp, and Fire Chief Shannon Taylor. Councilmembers Jason Cowart and Jerry Nichols were absent.

The opening prayer was given by Mr. Eddy Campbell.

Mayor Nelson announced a quorum was present and the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Wilson moved the minutes of the work session held on November 26, 2018, and the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 27, 2018, be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

HIRING OF POLICE OFFICER

Police Chief Danny Jenkins recommended the Mayor hire Mr. Jessie Finch to fill the vacancy created when Officer Jared Taylor left the Police Department. Mr. Finch is currently employed by the Gordo Police Department and is APOST certified. Chief Jenkins explained because Officer Finch had completed the Police Academy less than two years ago, the City would have to reimburse the Town of Gordo the cost of his police academy training. Councilmember Wilson moved that the Council consent to Mayor Nelson hiring Mr. Jessie Finch as a police officer. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Danny Jenkins presented the police report for the month of November 2018. The report was as follows: 22 incidents investigated; 11 accidents; 97 traffic citations; and 18 arrests.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor presented the fire report for the month of November 2018. The Fire Department received 21 calls.

FUEL TERMINAL

Mayor Nelson stated the fuel terminal at the City Shop is 25 years old. The terminal is used by the City, the Gas Board and the Water Board. One of the features of the terminal is it could keep up with how much fuel the Gas Board and Water Board used. This feature is no longer working. The City bills the Gas Board and the Water Board for the fuel they use. Mayor Nelson said he had requested the Gas Board and Water Board each pay one-third of the cost of a new fuel terminal. The estimated cost for a new fuel terminal is approximately \$28,000.00.

CITY ENGINEER POSITION

Mayor Nelson informed the Council he was investigating the feasibility of having a part-time City Engineer.

SPOT PAVING AND PATCHING PROJECT

Mayor Nelson reported on the estimates for the spot paving and patching project on 5th Street, 25th Street, 10th Street and 3rd Street. The most expensive street to pave is 25th Street. Mayor Nelson stated he was meeting with the State Highway Director on January 3, 2019.

FAYETTE HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT

Mayor Nelson announced he was appointing Ms. Sharon Wilson Morgan to the Fayette Housing Authority Board to replace Mr. Charles Langley, Sr., who had resigned. Mayor Nelson stated the Fayette Housing Authority Board recommended Ms. Morgan be appointed.

REPORT OF CITY CLERK

City Clerk Dawn Clapp reported for the month of November, the City received \$200,143.00 in sales tax. She stated the City received \$8,552.00 in alcohol taxes.

PUBLIC HEARING

City Attorney Dale Lawrence informed the Council the Municipal Housing Code Abatement Board had determined the below described building was unsafe to the extent that it created a public nuisance and had notified the owners of the building the nuisance should be abated. He said the time had run for the nuisances to be abated and it had not been. The Council set a public hearing for January 22, 2019 at 5:00 p.m., to determine the extent the below listed property creates a public nuisance and requires further action by the City to abate.

Building located at:

3rd CT SW
Fayette, AL 35555

Assessed for ad valorem tax to:

Willie D. & Sharon Maddox
240 Hillside Drive
Fayette, AL 35555

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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

PARK & RECREATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Park & Recreation financial statement was not available.

APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL COURT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember McCraw moved the Municipal Court financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk