

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
January 30, 2019

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 4:00 o'clock, p.m. on January 30, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

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

The opening prayer was given by Mayor Ray Nelson.

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

WASTE WATER ISSUE

Mr. John Dill, Waste Water Superintendent, spoke to the Council concerning certain waste water issues.

1. Pumping Station at old Industrial Park

Superintendent Dill spoke to the Council concerning the pump at the pumping station at the old Industrial Park. He stated the pumps are only lasting about six months. Superintendent Dill said the pump the Water Works Board recently purchased for \$28,000.00 had already broken down and had to be replaced. He said he doubted the new pump would last until June. Superintendent Dill said replacing the 11,000 feet of force main line is about the only way to fix the problem. The force main line is currently iron pipe. He said the problems with the pumping station began when the Water Board treatment plant started discharging water into the system. Mayor Nelson stated the agreement was if the Water Board upgraded the pumping station then the water treatment plant could discharge into the City system. At the time the agreement was made, the City was not aware of the amount of water they would be discharging.

Superintendent Dill said the pump is made to pump 500 gallons per minute but because of the restrictions in the force main due to the buildup of sludge and sand it is only pumping 180 gallons per minute. Because of the pressure created, it is blowing the seals on the pump. He said it would take 90 days to receive a new pump and a rebuild would take approximately 30 days. He reported the discharge by the Water Board constitutes 98% of the flow the pumping station handles.

2. Holding Tank discharge

Superintendent Dill spoke to the Council concerning the problems created by the dumping of holding tank waste into the City's sewer system. Mayor Nelson stated two of the surrounding municipalities have stopped it from being dumped into their system and two others are charging \$50.00 per truckload. Superintendent Dill said Georgia Pacific is dumping 5,000 gallons at a time, 4 to 5 times a day into the system. (The holding waste is being hauled and dumped by Fayette Drain & Sewer for Georgia Pacific.)

The Council discussed how to monitor and be properly paid for the discharge of holding tank waste. They discussed having cameras and key pads for access to the manhole so the City can determine who is dumping.

WORK SESSION

Mayor Nelson stated a work session is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.

MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT

Mayor Nelson reported that Maintenance Superintendent Joey Byars had recommended Mr. Corey Baker be hired as the maintenance assistant. Based on the recommendation, Mayor Nelson stated he would hire Mr. Baker as maintenance assistant starting at \$12.00 per hour.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Wilson moved the Council go into executive session to discuss the good name and character of individuals. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilman Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

Councilman Campbell moved the Council come out of executive session. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilman Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk