

City Hall  
Fayette, Alabama  
April 9, 2019

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on April 9, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

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

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Eddy Campbell.

Mayor Ray 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 regular meeting held on March 26, 2019, be approved. 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 March 2019. The report was as follows: 41 incidents investigated; 13 accidents; 90 traffic citations; and 28 arrests.

#### HIRING POLICE OFFICER

Chief Jenkins recommended the Mayor hire Mr. Will Warren to fill the position of Sgt. Adam Smith. (Sgt. Smith resigned upon taking a position with the Fayette County Sheriff's Department.) Mayor Nelson stated he would hire Mr. Warren upon obtaining the consent of the Council. Councilmember Cowart moved the Council consent to the Mayor hiring Mr. Will Warren as a police officer. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

#### ISSUES ON MARTAIN LUTHER KING DRIVE

Police Chief Danny Jenkins stated the traffic study on Martin Luther King Drive would begin in the next few weeks. Mayor Nelson stated the ditches and culverts have been cleaned out.

#### PUBLIC HEARING ON ALCOHOL LICENSE

A public hearing was held concerning the request for alcohol license for Oak Barrel, LLC. No one appeared opposing the granting of the license.

#### RESOLUTION 2019-02

Mayor Nelson presented Resolution 2019-02 to the Council for their consideration. Resolution 2019-02 is as follows:

#### **RESOLUTION 2019-02 A RESOLUTION GRANTING AN ALCOHOL LICENSE TO OAK BARREL LLC**

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***BE IT RESOLVED***, by the City Council of the City of Fayette, Alabama, as follows:

That the application by Oak Barrel LLC, located at 2508 Temple Avenue N, Fayette, AL 35555 for the following type of alcohol license:

#### **011 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class II (Package)**

be and is hereby approved.

***ADOPTED AND APPROVED*** by the City Council of the City of Fayette, Alabama, on this 16th day of April, 2019.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Councilmember Wilson moved the Council adopt Resolution 2019-02. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously adopted.

#### ALABAMA BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Ms. Anne Uhlman spoke to the Council concerning Fayette County's Alabama Bicentennial Celebration. She said it would be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019, on the Fayette County Courthouse lawn. She stated the C+ Plus band will be playing.

#### AIR EVAC MUNICIPAL SITE MEMBERSHIP

The municipal site membership covers any individual who resides within the City and employees of the City. The cost of the municipal site membership is \$18,970.00. Councilmember Cowart moved the Council renew the City's municipal site membership contract with Air Evac. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor presented the fire report for the month of March 2019. The Fire Department received 23 calls.

#### CENSUS 2020

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor reported on the Census 2020 meeting he attended. The 2020 Census is due to be completed in April 2020. Mayor Nelson stated Alabama has a lot at stake with the 2020 Census. Due to Alabama's slow population growth, the state is in danger of losing at least one of its seven congressional seats and the federal funding that goes with it.

#### SPRING CLEANUP CAMPAIGN

Mayor Nelson stated the Spring Cleanup Campaign will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### PROJECT UPDATES

Mayor Nelson updated the Council on the City's current projects. He stated the bids for paving the big parking lot at Guthrie Smith Park will be opened on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also reported ALDOT is reviewing the plans for the joint City-County Paving project.

#### REPORT OF CITY CLERK

City Clerk Dawn Clapp reported for the month of April, the City received \$198,662.00 in non-designated sales tax and the ½¢ sales tax for the hospital generated \$33,677.00 for a combined total of \$232,339.00. She stated the City received \$7,155.00 in alcohol taxes.

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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

#### APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL COURT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Wilson moved the Council go into executive session to discuss the amount to offer for the sale of real estate. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilman Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

Councilman Cowart 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 Wilson and seconded by Councilmember Cowart, the same was unanimously approved.

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk