

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
September 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on September 8, 2020, 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 Clerk Dawn Clapp, City Attorney Dale Lawrence, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, Fire Chief Shannon Taylor, Street Superintendent Marty Weeks and Wastewater Superintendent John Dill.

The opening prayer was given by Mr. Luke Porter.

Mayor Ray Nelson 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 meetings held on August 10, 2020, August 11, 2020, August 24, 2020, and September 1, 2020, be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, it was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Danny Jenkins presented the police report for the month of August 2020. The report was as follows: 31 incidents investigated; 17 accidents; 67 traffic citations; and 58 arrests.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor presented the fire report for the month of August 2020. The Fire Department received 14 calls.

Fire Chief Taylor stated the owner of the property located at 19th Street NW had been contacted about the condition of their property and it is being dealt with.

WASTEWATER DUMP SITE

Mayor Nelson reported the manhole for wastewater dumping is located near the airport behind the old LB's. Street Superintendent Marty Weeks said this manhole was chosen because it was on City property.

Wastewater Superintendent John Dill stated the manhole for wastewater dumping needed to be as far away from the wastewater plant as possible. He said the new location will have minimal impact on the plant because it will be diluted by the time it arrives at the plant.

Councilmember Eddy Campbell stated Mr. Stanley Beavers had reported to him that he could smell the sewage when they were dumping it in the manhole.

WATER WORKS BOARD REAPPOINTMENT

Mayor Nelson reported the Water Works Board had recommended that the Council reappoint Mr. Matt Collins to the Water Works Board. Councilmember McCraw moved the seven-day notice period for nominations be waived. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Cowart, the same was unanimously approved. Councilmember Cowart moved Mr. Matt Collins be reappointed to the Water Works Board. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, the same was unanimously approved.

RUNOFF ELECTION

Mayor Nelson reported the runoff election for Ward 1 was set for October 6, 2020.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION NOMINATION

Mayor Nelson reported Mr. Jimmy Ayres and Mr. Larry Humber were willing to serve on the Board of Equalization. Councilmember Cowart moved the Council nominate Mr. Jimmy Ayres and Mr. Larry Humber for the Fayette County Board of Equalization. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

PROPOSED HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2020-2021

Mayor Nelson presented the proposed City Holiday Calendar to the Council. No action was taken. The proposed calendar is as follows:

Columbus Day -- Monday, October 12, 2020
Veteran's Day -- Wednesday, November 11, 2020
Thanksgiving -- Thursday, November 26, 2020 and Friday, November 27, 2020
Christmas – Thursday, December 24, 2020, Friday, December 25, 2020,
New Year's Day – Friday, January 1, 2021
Martin Luther King/Robert E. Lee Day -- Monday, January 18, 2021
President's Day – Monday, February 15, 2021
Good Friday -- Friday, April 2, 2021
Memorial Day -- Monday, May 31, 2021
Jefferson Davis Day – Monday, June 7, 2021
Independence Day – Monday, July 5, 2021
Labor Day -- Monday, September 6, 2021

PROJECT UPDATES

Mr. Luke Porter reported all that remained to be done concerning the paving project on Martin Luther King Drive was to stripe the street. He said it would be done in the next few weeks.

APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL COURT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Campbell moved the City's financial statement be approved. 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 August, the City received \$253,728.00 in non-designated sales tax and the ½¢ sales tax for the hospital generated \$40,690.00 for a combined total of \$294,418.00. She stated the City received \$17,724.00 in sales tax from online sales. She stated the City received \$8,671.00 in alcohol taxes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk