

City Hall  
Fayette, Alabama  
April 26, 2022

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on April 26, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Rod Northam, Councilmembers Virettia L. Whiteside, Eddy Campbell, Tommy Williams, Aliska Hughes-Monroe and Jerry Nichols. Also present were City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, Fire Chief Shannon Taylor, City Attorney Dale Lawrence and Junior City Council Mayor Shanti Enis.

The opening prayer was given by Reverend Carlos Moore.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Rod Northam.

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

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Whiteside moved the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2022, be approved. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, it was unanimously approved.

#### AIR EVAC RENEWAL

Mr. Richard Peek spoke on behalf of Air Evac. He said the cost of renewing the City's membership with Air Evac is \$22,764.00. The agreement is for one year. Councilmember Nichols moved the Council renew the contract with Air Evac for \$22,764.00. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved.

#### AQUATIC CENTER PROJECT

Mayor Northam reported no bids were received for the Aquatic Center project. He said the project will rebid toward the end of summer.

#### AWARD OF STREET & SANITATION BUILDING

Fire Chief Shannon Taylor reported one bid was received on the Street & Sanitation building. The bid was from Northwest Bama Builders, Inc., in the amount of \$72,000.00. He said the concrete pad was included in the bid. Chief Taylor recommended the Council accept the low bid from Northwest Bama Builders, Inc., in the amount of \$72,000.00. Councilmember Williams moved the Council adopt the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Fayette that it hereby awards the bid for the installation of the Street & Sanitation Building to the lowest responsible bidder, Northwest Bama Builders, Inc., in the amount of \$72,000.00.

Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Nichols, it was unanimously approved.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Police Chief Danny Jenkins recommended the Mayor promote Sgt. Mark Allison to Assistant Police Chief and Sgt. Michael Kelley to Lieutenant and their pay be increased according to the pay scale. Councilmember Nichols moved that upon the promotion of Sgt. Mark Allison to Assistant Police Chief and Sgt. Michael Kelley to Lieutenant by the Mayor their pay be increased according to the pay scale. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, it was unanimously approved.

#### WATER BOARD REAPPOINTMENT

Mayor Northam reported he had received a request from the Fayette Water Works Board to reappoint Mrs. Mary Sparks to the Board. No action was taken.

#### HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Northam reported he had received a request from the Historic Preservation Commission to appoint Mr. William D. McCollum and Mrs. Renee Richardson to the Board due to vacancies on the Board from the resignations of Mr. Ben Hightower and Mr. Jim Berry. No action was taken.

Mayor Northam also reported he had received a request to reappoint Mr. Eddy Campbell, Mrs. Belinda Watts, Mr. Dennis Fisher, Mr. Dale Lawrence and Mr. Theron Nolen to the Historic Preservation Commission. No action was taken.

PARADE PERMIT

Mayor Northam presented to the Council a request for a parade permit for a Community Church Service to be held on May 15, 2022, on the Courthouse lawn. Councilmember Hughes-Monroe moved the permit be granted. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Whiteside, the same was unanimously approved

PARADE PERMIT

Mayor Northam presented to the Council a request for a parade permit for the "March for Jesus" to be held on May 21, 2022. Councilmember Nichols moved the permit be granted. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, the same was unanimously approved

REVIEW OF FINANCIALS

Mayor Northam reviewed with the Council the financials for the City, Municipal Court, Park & Recreation Department and Waste Water Department.

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor Northam reported the March unemployment rate for Fayette County was 2.3%.

Mayor Northam announced the Aquatic Center was still seeking lifeguards to work this summer.

Mayor Northam announced Mr. Donavin Ryans and Mr. Carl Porter had been hired to work in the Street & Sanitation Department.

Mayor Northam announced the annual C-3 meeting would be held April 29th in Vernon.

Mayor Northam stated the Area Aging Program would host a picnic at Guthrie Smith Park on May 6, 2022.

Mayor Northam stated the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Fayette County Memorial Library would be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022.

REPORT OF JUNIOR MAYOR

Junior Mayor Shanti Enis reported applications for membership on Junior City Council were now being accepted. She also reported the Junior City Council would have an event in June.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk