

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
November 28, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on November 28, 2023, 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, Waste Water Superintendent Matt Buckner, City Attorney Dale Lawrence and Junior City Council Mayor Emily Huang.

The opening prayer was given by Mr. Chuck Ellenburg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Eddy Campbell.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Campbell moved the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 14, 2023, be approved. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Williams, it was unanimously approved.

PROJECT UPDATES

Mr. Luke Porter of Porter-Higginbotham Engineering updated the Council on the City's current projects. The updates were as follows:

WWTP Rehab -

- Application approved; currently in Design Process
- Target Letting Date: February 2024

Highway 18/171 Intersection Improvement

- Construction should begin any day

Rails to Trails Project

- Project had to be rebid - 2nd bid opening December 19, 2023

MLK Sidewalk Improvement Project

- Waiting on Environmental clearance from ALDOT
- Target Letting Date: January 2024

SR-159 Pumping Station

- Pump has been ordered. Construction to begin approximately April 2024

Fayette Commercial Zone Gravity Sewer Relocation Project (SHOWA)

- In progress 65% complete

Fayette Park Paving Project

- Paving done; striping will be done after Christmas at the Park

STREET PAVING PROJECT

Mr. Luke Porter presented the proposed Street Paving Project for Fiscal Year 2024. The total amount for the project was \$626,365.00.

<u>Street</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
16 th Court NW (Shadow Oak Apartments)	\$18,925.00
4 th Avenue NW (13 th Street NW to Fayette City Limit)	\$161,000.00
2 nd Avenue SW (11 th to 17 th)	\$115,675.00
11 th Street NW (Tremont-Hwy 18 to Hwy 18)	\$45,575.00
2 nd Way SW (2 nd Avenue to 1 st Avenue)	\$16,925.00
6 th Avenue SE (Hwy 18 to Plyco)	\$27,262.50
10 th Street SW (Southside Church)	\$25,625.00
17 th Court NW (from 171 to 1 st Way NW)	\$8,375.00
2 nd Way NE (behind Charles)	\$18,702.50
1 st Avenue NE (Hwy 18 to Fayette C.O.C.)	\$158,800.00

The streets selected for paving were based on the street survey that had been conducted. Mayor Northam said \$500,000.00 had been budgeted for street paving. He recommended eliminating 1st Avenue NE (Highway 18 to Fayette City CoC) from the project. Mr. Porter said he could list 1st Avenue NE as an alternate on the request for bids. The consensus of the Council was to bid the paving on 1st Avenue NE as an alternate.

Councilmember Williams moved to approve the paving project as submitted but with 1st Avenue NE being an alternate on the request for bids. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Campbell, the same was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

Councilmember Campbell moved to set the public hearing on December 12, 2023, for Fannie's II's application for commercial event center license. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, the same was unanimously approved.

SECOND MEETING IN DECEMBER

The consensus of the Council was not to have a meeting on December 26, 2023.

FINANCIALS

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

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor Northam congratulated the Fayette Pee Wee Toy Bowl team for winning the Super Bowl for our area.

Mayor Northam said he anticipated engaging Mr. Chuck Ellenburg to help with the downtown landscaping.

Mayor Northam reported on the following upcoming events:

1. "Christmas at the Park" goes through December 31, 2023.
2. The annual Christmas Parade will be held on December 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
3. The "All for Him" concert will be held on December 5th-6th.
4. The Old Fashion Christmas will be held on December 7, 2023.
5. The Vaughn Family Concert will be held on December 8, 2023.

Mayor Northam reported the Business license revenue for 2023 was \$307,770.00.

REPORT OF JUNIOR CITY COUNCIL MAYOR

Junior City Council Mayor Emily Huang reported the Junior City Council is planning to make some improvements at the Community Center.

REPORT OF COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS

Councilmember Williams thanked the garbage workers for working Thanksgiving and the day after.

REPORT OF COUNCILMEMBER NICHOLS

Councilmember Nichols thanked the Police Department for their work.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk