City Hall Fayette, Alabama December 23, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on December 23, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Rod Northam, Councilmembers Steve Herring, Eddy Campbell, Tommy Williams, Aliska Hughes-Monroe and Jerry Nichols. Also present were City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, City Attorney Dale Lawrence, Park Director Chris Champion and Junior City Council Mayor Sean White.

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Tommy Williams.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Tommy Williams.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Nichols moved the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 10, 2024, be approved. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, it was unanimously approved.

MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING UPDATE

Park Director Chris Champion reported to the Council on the proposed rates for the use of the Multipurpose Complex. They were as follows:

\$500/day Use of arena

\$250/day Kitchen and Concessions

\$25/day RV Hookups

\$12/day Stalls

Nonprofit Rate- \$250/day

Nonprofit Kitchen and Concessions- \$150/day

Park Director Champion said the County had not required a renter to sign a contract but he felt it would be better practice to have them sign one. He also thought the renter should pay at the time of booking, not at the time of event.

Councilmember Williams moved the Council approve the rates as proposed by Park Director Champion. Upon it being seconded by Councilmember Hughes-Monroe, it was unanimously approved.

CIVIC CENTER BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS

Mayor Northam said the Fayette Civic Center Board had requested that Mrs. Libby Kimbrell and Mr. Clyde Stevens be reappointed to another term on the board. Councilmember Campbell moved that the Council reappoint Mrs. Libby Kimbrell and Mr. Clyde Stevens to the Civic Center Board. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Williams, it was unanimously approved.

MUNICIPAL HOUSING CODE ABATEMENT BOARD

Mayor Northman asked each council member to reach out to the board member from their ward to see if they wished to continue to serve on the Municipal Housing Code Abatement Board.

TREE CITY BOARD

Mayor Northam asked each council member to consider who they would like to appoint from their ward to serve on the Tree City Board.

BRUSH BURNER UPDATE

Mayor Northam reported to the Council that the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) would have to approve and permit the brush burner the City is purchasing. He said it costs \$6,000-\$7,000 for the initial permit.

ADVOCACY DAY

Mayor Northam reminded the Council of the upcoming Advocacy Day in Montgomery.

FINANCIALS

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

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor Northam reported the unemployment rate for Fayette County for November was 3.5%.

Mayor Northam stated "Christmas at the Park" runs through December 31st .

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 Williams, it was unanimously approved.

Attest:	Mayor	
City Clerk		