

January 22, 2018

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Steve Ledbetter, Councilmembers Randy Carter, L. C. Gates, Carolyn Ledbetter and Sherry Wall

1. Invocation given by Don Ledbetter
2. Swearing in of Newly Elected Officials by Jerry Ann Conner representing Nathan Lee, newly appointed City Attorney, both of Glover and Davis, P.A. Law Firm.
3. Approve the January Agenda, Councilman Carter moved to approve the January Agenda, Councilman Gates second, all approved.
4. Approve the December 2017 minutes, Councilman Carter moved to approve the December 2017 minutes, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
5. Mayor Comments, copy on file.
6. Mayor Ledbetter recognized former City Attorney Jeff Todd for his 20 years of service to the city.
7. Departments Head Comments, Copy on File of each Department
  - a. Chief Wesley Favors
  - b. Public Works Director Willie Holmes
  - c. City Clerk Angel Fowler
    - i. Surplus Property located at 410 Dromedary Street, Scott Callaway with Phoenix Rehabilitation would like to purchase the property, Councilman Carter moved to surplus the property to be able to put it out for sealed bids, Councilman Gates second, all approved, will have a work session on February 26<sup>th</sup> to determine a minimum bid.
    - ii. Create a Special Committee of citizens to help complete the Nextsite 360 questionnaire, compile historical facts of the city and create a Logo, Councilman Carter moved to create a special committee, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved, Councilman Carter moved to amend his motion to include that Councilwoman Ledbetter to head up the committee and appoint members to the committee, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
  - d. Water Plant Operator Cody Kelly updated the council on the water plant, the extra amount of water that was pumped this month was up due to water leaks. The pre-construction meeting for the sewer project will be January 26 at 2:00 pm.

Two employees from the city will be going to the Gorman Rupp Factory Training class in Ohio at no cost to the city. Gorman Rupp will fly them, feed and house them while touring their facility. (copy on file)

- e. Mayor Ledbetter advised the council and citizens in attendance, that he will not be receiving any pay for his tenure as Mayor.

8. City Appointments

- a. L. C. Gates was appointed Mayor Pro-Tem, Councilman Carter moved to approve, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.
  - b. Robert Morton was reappointed as Municipal Court Judge, Councilman Carter moved to approve Rob Morton as Judge, Councilman Gates second, all approved.
  - c. Mayor Ledbetter recommended that Nathan Lee from Glover & Davis Law Firm be appointed as the City Attorney, Councilman Carter moved to approve Nathan Lee as Attorney for the city, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.
9. Mayor Ledbetter recommended the following people be approved to sign checks on the city accounts, Mayor Steve Ledbetter, Mayor Pro-Tem L. C. Gates and City Clerk Angel Fowler. Councilman Carter moved to approve, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.

10. Committee Members:

Mayor Ledbetter recommends that the City Attorney review the following committees; Industrial Development Authority, Downtown Development Authority and Planning & Zoning then come back with dispositions and recommendations at the February 26 Council Meeting. Councilman Carter moved to approve, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.

11. Mayor Ledbetter would like for the council to approve for the Mayor to look into evaluating the current retirement plan to possibly move the present retirement into a type of 401k program, so that not only is the employee taken care, but the city is taken care of financially in the future. Councilman Carter moved to approve the Mayor to look into the present retirement plan, Councilman Gates second, all approved.
12. Kip Oldham, Architect for the City Hall Renovation project was present to answer any questions the public had about the renovation of city hall. The city posted pictures, budget and the layout of the new city hall on the wall for the citizens to see at the council meeting. Mr. Oldham said everything was being done according to the schedule and was under budget. The approximately finish date will be in April 2018.
13. Mr. Jim Sibley requested to be on the agenda about City Hall, but was pleased with the city making the information available to the citizens at the meeting.

14. Public Comments

- a. Rev. Phillip Murray spoke briefly about the churches in town and he is looking for place to create a new church in Woodbury along with the others churches in the community.

15. Council Discussion

- a. Councilwoman Ledbetter thanked everyone for their support, a lot more to come for the city
- b. Councilman Gates impressed by everything going on
- c. Councilman Carter glad to see the city moving
- d. Councilman Carter updated the council on Recreation, 460 had signed up for basketball, games are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

16. Being no further business, Councilman Carter moved to adjourn, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.



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Steve Ledbetter, Mayor



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Angel Fowler, City Clerk