

City of Clay P.O. Box 345 Clay, AL 35048-0345

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES October 27, 2020

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at Clay City Hall. Mayor Webster presided over the meeting and Ronnie Dixon served as recorder.

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order and roll call was conducted as follows:

Present: Councilors Becky Johnson, Bo Johnson, Dean Kirkner, Dennis Locke, Ben Thackerson, and Mayor Webster

Absent: None

Councilor Dennis Locke led the prayer. Mayor Webster led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of October 13th, 2020. Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve the Council meeting minutes of October 13th, 2020 which was seconded by Councilor Dean Kirkner and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda.

Councilor Dennis Locke made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Becky Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda. Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson, Mayor Webster

Under the City Manager's report, City Manager Ronnie Dixon reported on the following:

Fund Balances: General Fund \$267,466.90; Vehicle Fund \$17,631.01; Contractor Bonds \$155,989.16; Capital Funds \$404,647.18; 4/5 Cent Gas Fund \$157,256.90; 7 Cent Gas Fund \$85,423.81; Rebuild Alabama (10 Cent) Gas Fund \$42,853.08; Building Fund \$235,516.93; Paving Supplement Fund \$256,840.98; Reserve Fund \$1,300,000.00; BBT Fund \$48,169.20; Ballpark Sports Income \$560.00; Ballpark Sports Expenses \$0.00.

Public Hearings rezoning case Z-2020-02 to rezone 6681 Trussville Clay Road from Institutional to General Commercial. April Pitts was present to speak for the rezoning. There was no one present to speak against. Public hearing closed. *Councilor Ben Thackerson made a motion to approve Z-2020-02 which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: *Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson, Mayor Webster.*

The elimination of a Nuisance upon private property located at 769 Chestnut drive. There was no one to speak for or against.

Under Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other Business, Mayor Webster called for a motion to move to unanimous consent. *Councilor Ben Thackerson a motion to move into unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: *Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster.*



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Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2020-35, A Resolution Abating Weeds on the Property Located at 769 Chestnut Drive. Councilor Dean Kirkner made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-35 which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster

End Unanimous Consent

Under Mayor comments the Mayor announced the last football game will be on Thursday night. There will be a firework show after the game.

Councilor Becky Johnson had no report.

Councilor Bo Johnson announced the City of Clay will be holding a trunk or treat on October 31st. It will be at the Clay Chalkville Highschool parking lot from 5:00 to 7:00 pm followed by a firework show.

Councilor Dean Kirkner had no report. Chief Coleman addressed council with an update on Center Point Fire Department.

Councilor Dennis Locke announced the winners of the school grants. Bryant Park Elementary winner was Crystal Owens, reading and Math. Clay Elementary winner was Kristy Holt, music teacher. Clay Chalkville Middle School winner was Spencer White, baseball coach. Clay Chalkville High School winner was Leslie Chelds, Virtual learning teacher.

Councilor Ben Thackerson requested update on Cosby from Mr. Dixon. Scheduled to be completed by the first of December.

Under **Public Comments** there were several citizens present to speak: Bentley Taylor of 7934 Forest Loop, who discussed new homes being built. Joyce Vallance requested meetings being Facebook live. Tony Berenotto from the American Legion was present to discuss Wreaths Across America program. Jim Coupland of 7904 McIntyre Road (not in the City limits of Clay) spoke about the new houses at St. James. Shacqualla Shepard of 7988 Forest Loop also voiced concerns regarding St. James houses.

Councilor Dean Kirkner made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

The next council meeting will be held Monday, November 1st at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon