



City of Clay

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES September 25th, 2018

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Tuesday, September 25th, 2018, 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. Councilor Dennis Locke opened in prayer. Mayor Webster led everyone in the Pledge.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following: Councilor Don Baker, Councilor Becky Johnson, Councilor Bo Johnson, Councilor Dennis Locke, Councilor Ben Thackerson and Mayor Webster.

Absent: none

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre-Council and Regular Council meeting minutes of September 11th, 2018. *Councilor Ben Thackerson made a motion to approve the Pre-Council and Regular Council meeting minutes of September 11th, 2018, which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice.*

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. *Councilor made a motion Don Baker to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke 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 Don Baker.*

The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster

Nays: None

Under **Mayor and Council Comments**, Mayor Webster called for a vote on Proclamation 2018-03, a proclamation recognizing Patricia Bailey. *Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve Proclamation 2018-3 which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke and approved by unanimous consent.*

Councilor Don Baker discussed Paradise Valley and the right of way becoming overgrown as well as some abandoned properties need to be abated. The intersection of Eden drive and Balboa Ave needs a no littering sign that also states there is a \$500.00 fine to deter littering.

Councilor Becky Johnson had no report.

Councilor Bo Johnson reminded council of the Fall Festival coming up on November 2nd. The High School and Middle School bands will be in attendance to perform. Councilor Johnson invited everyone to share the event on social media.

Councilor Dennis Locke acknowledged the Boy's and Girl's Club event on September 13th. It was a good event despite the rain.

Councilor Ben Thackerson had no report.



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Under **Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.**, Mayor Webster announced there were none.

Under the **City Manager's report**. Mr. Dixon called for a motion to adopt the 2018-2019 Budget. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to adopt the 2018-2019 Budget which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke and approved by unanimous consent.* Councilor Dennis commented on the new walking trail and complemented the Public Works department on their work. Mr. Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$218,478.60; Contractors Bond = \$152,017.80; Capital Improvement Fund = \$308,957.51; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$46,552.06; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$16,155.43; Building Fund = \$200,000.00; Paving Supplement Fund = \$260,357.05; Contingency Fund = \$1,100,000.00; BBT Fund = \$40,991.52; Ballpark Registration Income = 69,164.50 and Ballpark Sports Expense = (84,158.98).

Under Public Hearings, A-2018-2, Annex 2540 Galloway Drive and Personal property at 5201 Chestnut Lane and 7153 Cabin Lane. There was no one to speak for or against. **End Public Hearings.**

Mayor Webster called for a motion to move to unanimous consent. *Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to move into unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilor Don Baker.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Ordinance 2018-05. Property owner Margaret Hodges filed a petition asking that property located at 2540 Galloway Drive be annexed to and become a part of the City of Clay. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends the annexation of 2540 Galloway Drive. *Councilor Dennis Locke made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-05 which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-42. A Resolution Authorizing the Elimination of a Nuisance upon the following private properties: 5201 Chestnut Lane and 7153 Cabin Lane. *Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-42 which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-43. A Resolution Abating Weeds on the Property Located at 5219 Jean Drive. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-43 which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-44. A Resolution releasing the lien for Abatement of weeds on the property located at 7510 Hines Lane. *Councilor Ben Thackerson made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-44 which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-45. A Resolution Declaring Personal Property to be a Public Nuisance on the property located at 7322 Cavern Road. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-45 which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson and approved by unanimous consent*

End unanimous consent.

Under Public Comments, there were none.



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Mayor Webster entertained a motion that the Council enter into executive session. *Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion that the Council adjourn to executive session to discuss matters which are appropriately addressed in executive session under Alabama's open Meetings Law, particularly, pending legal matters which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke.*

Mayor Webster asked attorney Allen Summers, who was present, to certify that the planned discussion may be properly held in executive session and asked Ronnie Dixon to enter the declaration in the minutes. A roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster

The next City Council meeting will be held on October 9th at 6:30 pm.

Mayor Webster made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon