

REGULAR MEETING
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL

APRIL 04, 2016

The Ashland City Council met for a regular meeting on April 04, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. in the Ashland City Hall auditorium with Mayor Larry J. Fetner presiding. Council Members present were Billy Joe Smith, Bobbie J. Steed, Gail E. Thompson, Rebecca G. Boddie and Brad Wolfe. Also present were City Attorney John Kelley Johnson, City Clerk Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Court Clerk/Assistant City Clerk Robin Catrett, Maintenance Supervisor Jeremy Nash, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Police Chaplin/ Patrolman Cecil Chappell, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Sherriff Ray Latham, Jerry Boddie, Tammy Andrews, and Ray Stansell of the Clay Times-Journal.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order and Council Member Brad Wolfe gave the invocation.

Council Member Wolfe moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Informational Item Number 2 Discussing a raise for Fire Chief Brett Thompson and New Business items Number 12 Approval to place flags and stands at Ashland City Cemetery at estimated costs of \$2500.00, Number 13 Approval for Mayor Fetner to get estimates on demolishing the Southland Building, and Number 14 Approval to pay \$837.00 for ladder testing at Ashland Fire Department out of the Fire Department fund. Council Member Smith seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson moved to approve the minutes of the previous planning meeting. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Steed moved to approve the minutes of the previous regular council meeting. Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner undated the Council on the Industrial Park. Mayor Fetner advised there will be 400 foot of asphalt and he is working on funding for a sign.

Council Member Boddie advised the Council she feels Fire Chief Brett Thompson deserve a raise. Council Member Boddie stated Fire Chief Thompson has been with the City for over 2 years and hasn't received a raise. Mayor Fetner and other Council Members present advised to add this item to the next regular meeting agenda.

Mayor Fetner commended Jody Brown for his work on the bike show held April 2, 2016 at Ashland City Park.

Council Member Smith had no committee report.

Council Member Steed had no committee report.

Council Member Thompson thanked Maintenance Supervisor Jeremy Nash, the Maintenance Department, and the Ashland Water Department for their work on planting trees in the planters on the square. Council Member Thompson commended Jody Brown for his outstanding work on the Bike Show held April 2, 2016 at Ashland Park and advised she hopes it will grow and become an annual event for the City. Council Member Thompson updated the Council on work being conducted at the New City Hall building.

Council Member Boddie thanked Council Member Thompson for her work on the New City Hall Building.

Council Member Wolfe had no committee report.

Police Chief Stanford commended Jody Brown for a successful Bike Show at Ashland City Park on April 2, 2016 and informed the Council about Cleet Training at Little River Canyon Training Center on April 14-15, 2016. Police Chief Stanford advised the Council he has completed 80 hours of continuing education. Police Chief Stanford also advised he has been researching a new patrol vehicle for the Police Department and hopes to present it at the next regular Council Meeting.

City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn advised the Council M2 Connections will begin work on the conduit for broadband at New City Hall this week and work will last one day only. City Clerk/ Administrator also advised if the Council approved Number 4 on the agenda Edgar and Associates will begin doing monthly financials for the Council.

Fire Chief Thompson reported to the Council the Fire Department is looking for old cars for extrication training. Fire Chief Thompson advised he has been working on bylaws for the Fire Department and hopes to present them to the Council at a future date. Fire Chief Thompson advised there has been gas and equipment stolen from the Fire Department and would like to purchase a security camera for the building. Fire Chief Thompson also advised the Council there are lights on the outside of the Fire Department that stay on 24 hours a day and the bulbs go out often, he would like to replace those light with new ones that will not stay on 24 hours a day. Fire Chief Thompson advised the Council ladder and pump testing has been completed and everything is in working order.

Maintenance Supervisor Jeremy Nash reported the Maintenance Department has been conducting business as usual and commented Jody Brown for the cleanliness of the City Park after the Bike Show on April 2, 2016. Supervisor Nash advised the Council there are three lights

on the square that are out and the Maintenance Department has attempted to fix them several times with no success. Supervisor Nash advised we may need to hire an electrician.

Council Member Boddie moved to approve the bills received since the last council meeting in the amount of \$5,633.97. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion approving the City of Ashland to pay Nelson & Nelson Engineering firm engineering fees for the Industrial Park project in the amount of \$710.10. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Wolfe made a motion approving the City of Ashland to pay Webb Utilities & Construction \$43,400.68 for Industrial Park project work. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to allow City Auditor Edgar and Associates to prepare monthly financial statement for the Council at costs of \$200.00 per month. Council Smith seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Boddie made a motion approving Tramco Financial Equipment to rekey locks at New City Hall at costs of \$1548.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous with the exception of Council Member Wolfe who voted No.

Council Member Boddie made a motion approving Mark's Cleaning Service to strip and wax floors at Ashland Senior Center at an estimated costs of \$400.00. Council Member Wolfe seconded the motion, and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Thompson made a motion approving the City of Ashland to use Government Portal to process credit and debit card payments for court and business license at no costs to the City. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Wolfe made a motion approving the purchase of General Fund checks for intuit at a cost of \$400.00. Council Member Smith seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Boddie made a motion to replace drain pipe on Owens Road at an estimated cost of \$1600.00. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion and all votes unanimous.

Council Member Wolfe made a motion approving the purchase of two Echo weed eater for Ashland Maintenance Department at total costs of \$680.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion approving Police Chief Stanford to attend Cleet Training on April 14-15, 2016 at Little River Canyon Training Center and to reimburse Chief Stanford for travel expenses. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Boddie made a motion to complete a flag project at Ashland City Cemetary at an estimated cost of \$2500.00. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Boddie made a motion giving Mayor Fetner authority to solicit estimates on the demolition of the old Southland Building. Council Member Smith seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Wolfe made a motion approving the City to pay for Ladder testing at Ashland Fire Department in the amount of \$837.00. Council Member Boddie seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to table setting the salary, hour, and department for the positions of Code Enforcement, Animal Control, and Safety Officer. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Council Member Smith made a motion to table opening the position of Code Enforcement, Animal Control, and Safety Officer and advertise. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor Fetner introduced Ordinance Number 2016-04-04-01 Ashland Alcohol Ordinance. City Clerk/ Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Assistant City Clerk Robin Catrett, and Police Chief Joseph Stanford completing the first reading of the ordinance.

There being no further business, Council Member Thompson moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Council Member Boddie, and all votes were unanimous.

Mayor _____

Attest _____