

PLANNING MEETING
ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL

March 21, 2016

The Ashland City Council met for a Planning Meeting at 5:00 P.M. on March 21, 2016 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 and Rebecca G. Boddie. Council Member Brad Wolfe arrived at 5:37 P.M. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Chelsey Wynn, Police Chief Joseph Stanford, Fire Chief Brett Thompson, Maintenance Supervisor Jeremy Nash arrived at 5:30 P.M., Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Jody Brown, and Grady Turner arrived at 5:32 P.M.

Mayor Fetner called the meeting to order.

The Mayor shared reasons that hiring for the Code Enforcement, Safety Officer, and Animal Control Officer position needed to be done. The Council and Mayor discussed the position being broken down into three jobs that could be added to three current employees by giving supplemental income for the extra work. Chief Stanford expressed his concerns with adding this responsibility to an existing officer. Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Brown commented that until the City itself is in compliance with the codes, the codes cannot be enforced. Maintenance Supervisor Nash gave his comments and concerns regarding the training needed to for the position. Council Member Wolfe gave his opinion on the position that there should be someone hired solely to fulfill the vacancy rather than splitting it over current employees as the work load is already heavy in the departments. There was no decision made on the hiring of the position, and the Council and Mayor decided that it would be further discussed in a future meeting.

There was no business conducted at this meeting.

Mayor

Attest: _____