

CITY OF PLEASANT GROVE, ALABAMA

COUNCIL MINUTES

April 19, 2021

The City Council of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama, met in the Council Chambers on Monday, April 19, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Jerry Brasseale presiding. The following present:

Mayor: Jerry W. Brasseale
Council Members: Philip Houston
Yolanda Lawson
Kevin Dunn
Ray Lassiter
Ken Hatfield

Also present: City Clerk Recarda Cobb, and Building Inspector Doug Hyche

Prayer by Doug Hyche

Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Pro-Tem Phillip Houston

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on April 05, 2021.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Ray Lassiter.

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilor Ken Hatfield made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$213,120.73.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Yolanda Lawson.

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-09 Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama authorizing travel advance for Recarda Cobb for continuing education.

Mayor Jerry Brasseale made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-09.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston.

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10 Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama adding Amendment No. 1 to the payment processing agreement between NCOURT, LLC., and the City of Pleasant Grove. Amending the agreement to add garbage and business license payment processing.

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-10.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Yolanda Lawson.

Motion passed unanimously.

OFFICERS OF THE CITY REPORTS

Doug Hyche stated that a large number of burned homes in Pleasant Grove are in the process of being demolished. Also, several homes have already been torn down and is in the process of being rebuilt.

Recarda Cobb- None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Kevin Dunn talked about replacing the down electrical poles, asked about what process is used to determine what roads are repaired, and inquired about an update from the State of Alabama on placing a stop sign in a needed location. Doug Hyche stated that the repairing of roads usually depends on the condition and traffic on those particular roads. Attorney J.D. Terry stated that he is communicating with the State concerning the stop sign.

Councilor Dunn also stated that neighbors have been asking about where to dump hazardous waste materials. He informed the neighbors of the advertising being ran by the Jefferson County Health Department concerning disposing of such materials. Lastly, Councilor discussed the streaming of Council meetings, and moving forward with the placing of flashing lights to deter speeding within Pleasant Grove. Attorney J.D. Terry stated that he has submitted a letter to the Jefferson County Commission to consider granting Pleasant Grove authority to place flashing lights on a county road.

Councilor Ray Lassiter stated that he received a complaint from one of the neighbors (Alice Williams) about junk cars on 9th street and 14th court. Also, Councilor Lassiter asked about the paving of roads in Pleasant Grove. Doug Hyche stated that the engineer should have a plan concerning the paving of roads by next Council meeting.

Councilor Yolanda Lawson asked Doug Hyche to check on debris from trees being cut down on 1401 13th Terrace. Also, Councilor stated that the Beautification Board would like to decorate beneath the sign in front of recreation center, and asked about limitations. Doug Hyche said that there were none. Lastly, she inquired about who is responsible for maintaining the grass in front of Pleasant Grove Elementary School. It is severely overgrown. Mayor Jerry Brasseale said that he will talk with Public Works Department concerning the matter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston asked Doug Hyche about the bidders for City of Pleasant Grove's road repair. Also, he asked Mr. Hyche to forward the information to the Mayor and Council. Lastly, Mayor Pro-Tem introduced Dian Kennedy, Librarian, and discussed how she is working to modernize the library. Dian Kennedy discussed the activities she has planned for the summer.

Councilor Ken Hatfield stated that he hasn't received any updates from Jefferson County Commission concerning the speeding problem on 5th avenue. He's planning on contacting the commission soon to try and expedite the situation. Also, Councilor Hatfield discussed removing trees from the cemetery that are blocking the view of 5th avenue.

Mayor Jerry Brasseale - None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Regina Williams, 1456 5th Avenue, inquired about the progress of controlling the speeding problem. Mayor Jerry Brasseale stated that he is waiting on the study being done by the Jefferson County Commission before City of Pleasant Grove moves forward. Mrs. Williams stated that it's unacceptable, and she needs some results. Councilor Yolanda Lawson stated that

in the work session they all agreed with installing the flashing lights to deter speeding, but wanted to make sure the City is not responsible for the entire road.

Mrs. Williams also asked who is responsible for the trees hanging in the road. Doug Hyche stated that the trees are on private property, but he has spoken with the owner who has agreed to trim them back.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Ken Hatfield made a motion to adjourn.

Jerry W. Brasseale, Mayor

Attest: _____
Recarda Cobb, City Clerk