

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
8-16-2021

The City Council of the City of Lineville met in their regular meeting on Monday, August 16, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. at the City Annex Building in Lineville, Alabama, with the following present: Mayor Roy Adamson, Council Members: David Proctor, Joseph Appleby, Robert Milstead, Larry Bishop and City Clerk Donna Mathews, Police Chief Richard Bickerstaff, Assistant Clerk Nicholas New, City Supervisor Rusty Taylor, Brianna Minter from the Clay Times Journal. Council Member Carolyn Smith was absent from the meeting.

Mayor called the meeting to order. Mayor asked the Council if they had reviewed the minutes from the previous Council meeting. A motion was then made by Council Member David Proctor and seconded by Council Member Robert Milstead to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The vote was unanimous. Next the Mayor asked the Council if they had reviewed the bills to be paid. A motion was then made by Council Member Joseph Appleby and seconded by Council Member Larry Bishop to approve the bills to be paid. The vote was unanimous.

First on the agenda was the right of way issue on Kudzu Street. The residents to speak did not show. A private survey is pending for that area.

Mayor Adamson brought up the security systems for all the City buildings as discussed last month and recommended to pay this expense out of the American Rescue Plan Fund. A motion was then made by Council Member David Proctor and seconded by Council Member Joseph Appleby. The vote was unanimous.

Next on the agenda was Chief Richard Bickerstaff recommending to the Council to hire Timothy Bernard Sheppard as a Patrol Officer with the completion of a 120 hour refresher course. A motion was then made by Council Member Robert Milstead and seconded by Council Member David Proctor. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Adamson presented the current pay scales for the upcoming fiscal year and requested that the Council make them effective for the September 1st pay period. A motion was then made by Council Member David Proctor and seconded by Council Member Larry Bishop. The vote was unanimous. (See attached pay scale)

Mayor Adamson advised the Council that the Highway 9 South property closing would be expending the funds to this project in the amount of \$266,499.00 on 8/17/21. A motion was then made by Council Member Robert Milstead and seconded by Council Member Joseph Appleby. The vote was unanimous.

City Clerk Donna Mathews announced her retirement for the end of year December 31, 2021. Mayor wished her well in her retirement and said we need to review the job description and open job up next meeting.

Mayor said we need to change the next meeting date to Wednesday, September 8, 2021 due to Labor Day holiday. A motion was then made by Council Member Joseph Appleby and seconded by Council Member David Proctor. The vote was unanimous.

Chief Richard Bickerstaff said he had received a letter of resignation from Officer Kody Gamble effective 8/4/2021. A motion was then made to accept his resignation by Council Member David Proctor and seconded by Council Member Joseph Appleby. The vote was unanimous.

City Supervisor Rusty Taylor said they had found someone to work part-time in maintenance and he would like to recommend Austin Tyler Potts for that position. He can work 3 hours daily. He came highly recommended by Tessa Giddens and the school Counselor. A motion was then made by Council Member David Proctor and seconded by Council Member Joseph Appleby. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor said he really appreciates the time and work put in to doing the new pay scales.

Rusty Taylor thanked the City for the increase in pay scales. Rusty also gave an update on the soccer. They have 108 players. Games will start in September. Also, Youth football will use our old field again this year.

Chief Bickerstaff thanked the City for the pay scales as well. Law Enforcement Officers are too hard to hire now. Things are different these days and we need the thought process to get us all through these times, it's hard.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was then made by Council Member Robert Milstead and seconded by Council Member Larry Bishop. The vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Attest:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR