

City Council Meeting
June 5, 2023
@ 5:00 PM

Present: Mayor Roger Weatherwax
Brent White
Denise Lovett
Cassandra Lee
Joyce Jeffreys
Jason White

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Weatherwax followed by pledge and prayer. Council was asked to approve and dispense the reading of the minutes for the April 17, 2023 Council Meeting.

Motion: Jason White
2nd: Joyce Jeffreys

Resolution 2023-004 was approved for the “Back to School Tax Holiday for 2023”
Motion: Jason White
2nd: Denise Lovett

Ordinance 2023-001 pertaining to “Unsafe Buildings” this is second mention and after publishing in newspaper will become general and permanent in nature.
Motion: Brent White
2nd: Jason White

Quality Paving submitted an estimate of \$8,300.00 for paving on Court St where the drainage pipe issues were just past the 157 intersection in which the County helped make repairs and replace culvert.
Motion to approve paving to be done: Brent White
2nd: Denise Lovett

Police Chief Craig Knight ask that the mileage for take home vehicles be extended to 40 miles for police jurisdiction - to help with finding applicants for the officer position in which he has not been able to fill. Chief Knight said that he has already surpassed his overtime budget for the year and still has 4 mths to go. He also

commented that the meeting held in Ms. Cassandra Lee's district and it being a positive and good meeting between community members, the officers and City officials that were present

Motion: Jason White

2nd: Denise Lovett

Mayor Weatherwax ask the Council to approve the resurfacing/repair cost to the mausoleum at Moulton Memory Gardens which will be under \$15,000.00. Cody Owens company will do the metal roof, and back. Bailey Darnell will brick the ends. This has needed some restoration for quite sometime now and the last remains have been placed but prior to that placement the inside structure was looked at and appeared to be still in great condition.

Motion: Joyce Jeffreys

2nd: Brent White

Dr. Woo with Spacial Net has purposed to put the City Cemetery Plots on a GIS system so that it is more accessible to workers and the public as to the locations of graves this would be at a cost of \$9,000.00.

Motion to approve to proceed with work: Brent White

2nd: Denise Lovett

Patricia Morgan request to attend the Alabama Administrative Office of Courts training for approximately \$1360.00 for the dates of Sept 20-Sept 24th this includes registration and room.

Motion: Cassandra Lee

2nd: Denise Lovett

Marcus Echols spoke to Council on issues he was concerned about. His first concern was about parking and drainage issues at Moulton Manor along Franklin Smith Road. Mayor Weatherwax told Mr. Echols he would look into this matter. The second item Mr. Echols ask about was if the City had looked at Sunday Alcohol Sales he had been at the previous meeting held in Ms. Lee's district and wanted to ask the Council to consider Sunday Alcohol Sales, because he believed it would bring into the City needed revenue that might be being missed out on that could help the officers and other needs of the City. Councilman Brent White stated that when the Alcohol sales was first considered that many had stated that they did not want Sunday sales and that it would not have passed had that been

how the Ordinance was written. Mr. Echols questioned if the Council Members had discussed this since the initial adoption of the Alcohol Sales Ordinance. Several of the Council expressed that they had not talked about the possibility of Sunday Alcohol Sales. Mr. Echols in turn expressed that he felt like it should be talked about and ask that they consider it. Denise Lovett stated that it wasn't how she felt about Sunday Sales but it would be a matter of what her district would want. Brent White reiterated a point mentioned earlier that it had barely passed without the Sunday Sales and that the Sunday Sales not being included was what was recommended if they ever thought that it might would pass to have alcohol sales at all. It was also mentioned that a referendum might be brought up to revoke alcohol sales altogether if this came to a vote and that it might not be a positive move. Renay Saint – Building Inspector and Code enforcer stated he could look into the particulars of what would have to be done for it to be considered. Ms. Lee spoke to Mr. Echols about the matter and that it would be looked into and discussed once the Council had more information.

Motion to adjourn: Denise Lovett

2nd: Joyce Jeffreys

Roger Weatherwax, Mayor

Deroma Pepper, City Clerk

Brent White, Council

Joyce Jeffreys, Council Member

Jason White, Council Member

Cassandra Lee, Council Member

Denise Lovett, Council Member