**Minutes of the**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Aliceville City Hall**

**JULY 22, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Lavender called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Council members present Donald Allen, Warren Lavender, Robert Wilder, and Thomas Wilkins and Terrence Windham. Absent: Mayor Marva Gipson.

**INVOCATION:**

Council member Windham offered the invocation.

**MINUTES:**

Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of the July 8, 2020, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Employee Temporary Pay Increase from $600 to $1000-** Council member Windham moved for the approval of increasing the temporary pay increase for city employees from $600 to $1,000, seconded by council member Allen. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
2. **Request from Aliceville High School Athletic Club for property behind Football Stadium-** Council member Windham moved for the approval of allowing the Aliceville High School Athletic Club to clear and utilize the property behind the Football Stadium for football events and other activities, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **GA Security Procedure Plan-** Council member Windham moved for the approval of accepting the GA Security Procedure Plan as presented, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
2. **Lodging Tax Agreement-** Council member Wilder moved for the approval of binding into an agreement with Avenu Insights to collect the lodging tax for the City of Aliceville, seconded by Council member Allen. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
3. **Certificate of Election-** Mayor Gipson submitted a letter to the governing body stating only one person Robert Wilder qualified for City Council seat District 4.

Council member Windham moved for accepting Resolution 2020-15, a resolution stating Robert Wilder is elected without opposition, seconded by Council member Wilkins. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lavender presented Council member Wilder with a Certificate of Election for City Council District 4.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of the accounts payable, seconded by Council Member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Chief Tonnie Jones asked the community to stay aware of their surroundings.

**STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Public Works Director Terry Hill reported the garbage truck, bushhog, and limb truck were inoperable.

Council member Wilder expressed his concerns about the State Department not cutting the side of the roads anymore and just spraying weed killer. He stated the grass was high along Highway 17 towards his residents. He asked will he have the Street Workers to cut along the road.

Council member Windham asked Mr. Hill to submit some figures on the price of new equipment to Mayor Gipson by the next council meeting.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Fire Chief Willie Dixon reported the Aliceville Fire Department has responded to 3 medical calls, 1 house fire (Pickensville), and an accident since last council meeting. He reminded the citizens in the community to please wear mask due to the Coronavirus. When the volunteers respond to these homes, they are putting their lives at risk. If one of the volunteers get infected, they all may get infected. So please be mindful of keeping everyone safe.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT:**

No report.

**UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCE:**

**Old Churches Chicken Building:**

Council member Windham moved for the approval granting the request for an extension to repair the building from Robert Jenkins, owner of the old Churches Chicken Building until August 9, 202, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

Council member Windham expressed his condolences to the family of the late U.S. Representative and civil rights leader John Lewis and asked the community to continue to keep his family in their prayers.

Council member Wilder expressed his desire to have a future increase on sales tax to help the City of Aliceville.

**ADJOURN-** With no other business, Council member Windham moved for the approval of adjourning the regular council meeting, seconded by Wilkins. Motion carried with all present voting “yes”.

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Marva Gipson, Mayor ATTEST:

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Dineki McCaa, City Clerk.