**Minutes of the**

**Regular Council Meeting**

**Aliceville City Hall**

**September 23, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**INVOCATION:**

Donny Sanders offered the invocation.

**MINUTES:**

Council member Lavender moved for the approval of the September 9, 2020 regular council minutes, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment (2)-** Council member Lavender moved for the approval to table the subject until the next meeting, seconded by Council member Allen. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
2. **Airport Authority Board Appointment-**  Council member Wilder moved for the approval of appointing Larry Potts to the Airport Authority Board to finish the term of Richard Prisock as Airport Manager who recently passed away, seconded by Council member Lavender. Motion carried with all present voting “yes”.
3. **Contract Employee-** Council member Wilder moved for the approval of Algene Strickland being rehired to work 3 days a week under Mayor Gipson supervision, seconded by Council member Lavender. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”. **(The governing body went into Executive Session to discuss this issue due to legal issues at 5:53, reconvened at 6:08 p.m.)**
4. **Equipment for Street Department-**  Mayor Gipson presented quotes for leasing a new garbage truck. The governing body all agreed to get more estimates and for Mayor Gipson to research Alabama Surplus for used equipment.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **2020-2021 Budget**- Tabled.
2. **2020-2021 Holidays-** Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of the 2020-2021 holiday schedule omitting December 28, 2020 date, seconded by Council member Windham. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
3. **U.S. Census Literature-** Council member Windham suggested the City of Aliceville send out literature for the 2020 Census to all households within the city limits of Aliceville due to the lack of response from the residents. The City of Aliceville is currently at 58.9%. All of the governing body agreed.
4. **Park Concession Payment**- Council member Wilder moved for the balance owed by Demetrice Miller for the use of the park concession in 2018 be paid in full by November 31, 2020, seconded by Council member Windham. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes**”. (Governing body went into Executive Session at 5:53p.m. to discuss the issue due to legal issues, reconvened at 6:08 p.m**.)
5. **Reopening Building and Grounds**- Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of reopening all City of Aliceville Buildings and Grounds immediately using CDC Guidelines of half of the capacity to the Fire Marshall standards and practicing the other CDC guidelines in place, seconded by Council member Windham. Motion carried with Council members Allen, Lavender, Wilder, Wilkins, and Windham voting “yes” and Mayor Gipson voting “no”.
6. **Police Department Grant-** Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of the City of Aliceville applying for a grant from ADECA to supply equipment for the Police Department
7. **Parade Request-** Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of the parade request submitted by Bernice Craig to have a Political Parade for the newly elected and run-off candidates to be held on October 3, 2020, seconded by Council member Wilder. Motion carried unanimously with all present voting “yes”.
8. **Industrial Board Appointment-** Council member Lavender moved for the approval of James Granger, William McKinzey Jr., Edgar Pruitt, and Everett Owens appointment to the Aliceville Industrial Board, seconded by Council member Allen. Motion carried with all present voting “yes”.
9. **Renaming 5th Street N.E. -** Council member Wilkins moved for the approval of renaming 5th Street N.E. after Mayor Marva Gipson, seconded by Council member Allen. Motion carried with Council members Allen, Lavender, Wilder, and Wilkins voting “yes” and Council member Windham “abstaining”.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

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

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Chief Tonnie Jones reported the Aliceville Police Department had 24 cases:

* 5 Arrest
* 1 DUI
* 3 Domestic Violence Cases
* 1 Assault
* 4 Theft
* 3 Harassment
* 1 Car Accident resulting in a Pedestrian getting hit by the vehicle

**STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

No report.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

No report.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT:**

No report.

**UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCE:**

Sherry Saulberry, Pickens County Board of Education Superintendent candidate addressed the council stating she was attending all of the municipalities in Pickens

County to partner with her if elected. Ms. Saulberry continued “It takes a village to raise children and she is dedicated to the children of Pickens County”.

Michael Hinton, District 3 candidate, introduced himself to the governing body and the citizens of Aliceville.

Council member Windham thanked Police Officer Derrick Jones for applying for the grant on behalf of the Police Department.

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

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Marva Gipson, Mayor ATTEST:

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Dineki McCaa, City Clerk.