Regular Council Meeting City of Tallulah February 13, 2020

A regular council meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 5:30 P. M., in the Council Room Chamber of Tallulah City Hall.

Mayor Charles M. Finlayson called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and asked for a moment of silent prayer.

Mayor Finlayson introduced Mr. Joseph K. Scott as the appointed Councilman from Governor John B. Edward for District 1 of the City of Tallulah.

A roll-call is listed as follows:

Scott Present
Robinson Present
Sims Present
Day Present
Whitney Present

Officer Sha'Coya Pitts presented the rules of order/etiquette that were to be observed during the council meeting.

Public Comment on the Agenda:

Alvin Bagby, 404 Chicago Street, Tallulah questioned public comments on the agenda: Expressed the fact that the public can't comment and sharing their concerns about thing they would like to talk about.

Karl Williams, 1006 Fish Street, Tallulah, questioned the minutes of the last meeting due to the fact of a news article he had heard.

Motion and second to approve minutes of the January 23rd meeting were made by Councilmembers Day and Whitney respectively carried with roll call as follows:

Robinson Yes
Sims Yes
Day Yes
Whitney Yes

John Murray of LaPorte CPAs Business Advisors gave an overview of the City of Tallulah 2018-2019 Annual Financial Audit. The City had five finding as follow: A Violation of Debt Covenants, Control Over Payroll Disbursements, Write-Off of Utility Accounts Receivable and Violation of Debt Covenant, Continuing Disclosure and Payment of Payroll Taxes and Retirement Contributions

Mayor Finlayson stated the ordinance on Outdoor and Open Burning will be published in the Madison Journal and public hearing will be head to discuss this ordinance.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Finlayson updated the public on his meeting with DHH officials on February 6, 2020. The City will continue with plans for the Interim Plan and the new water plant. DHH has asked the City to provide an update on the administrative orders, which the city will comply with.

Motion and second to enter Executive Session to get an update on the Investigation Proceeding Regarding Allegation of Misconduct were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Day respectively carried.

Motion and second to adjourn Executive Session and reenter the regular session were made by Councilmembers Day and Robinson respectively carried.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmembers Robinson and Sims respectively carried.

Vanessa Stubblefield, Deputy City Clerk Charles M. Finlayson, Mayor