

Regular Council Meeting
City of Tallulah
August 13, 2020

A regular council meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, August 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.

A roll-call is listed as follows:

Scott	Present
Robinson	Present
Sims	Present
Day	Present
Whitney	Present

Presentation:

Councilmen Andrew Sims along with the City Council Members presented Major Willie Mae Johnson with a plaque and flowers for her 30 plus years of faithful, dedicated service with the Tallulah Police Dept.

Chief Buster McCoy requested Letter on Raises for his Dept. be added to the agenda.

Motion and second to add Letter on Raises to the agenda were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Day respectively carried with roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

Motion and second to approve minutes of the July 09th Regular Meeting with making necessary corrections of taking the Mayor's comments off were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Whitney respectively carried with roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

Yvonne Lewis informed the Council on a proposal the City received on ArchiveSocial, which helps to retrieved archival information shared on social media. They help public and private agencies comply with record keeping regulations and mitigate risk related to social media. The

company ensures complete, authentic and in context records of social media communications. The Mayor informed the council that there was not funding for the service at this time.

Actions regarding approval of Occupational Licenses:

- a. Kelly Purvis – tiny Talkers Speech Therapy Services– Motion to approve the occupational license was made by Councilman Whitney and seconded by Councilman Day. A roll call followed:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

- b. Jamie Griffin – Heirizona Essence Online Retails Sales - Motion to approve the occupational license was made by Councilman Robinson and seconded by Councilman Sims. A roll call followed:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

And overview of the City of Tallulah Financial Statement for the last eleven months which is through May of 2020 was given by Cindy Thomason from Allen, Green and Williamson, LLP CPA Firm. Cindy informed the council that the city has put some measures in place to correct some repeated findings on the audit report.

Motion and second to enter a Public Hearing on the Amendment to Chapter 12 Of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and To Adopt Title 32 and Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statues were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Day respectively carried with a roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

During the public hearing Councilman Day commented that she had meet with Chief McCoy and they had worked out her concerns.

Motion and second to adjourn the Public Hearing Ordinance on the Amendment to Chapter 12 Of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and To Adopt Title 32 and Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statues was made by Councilmembers Sims and Day respectively carried.

Motion and second to approve the Amendment to Chapter 12 Of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and To Adopt Title 32 and Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statues were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Sims respectively carried with a roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

Motion and second to approve Chief McCoy recommendation to hire two dispatchers 1.) Jessie Booth and 2.) Sentrita Northern were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Whitney respectively carried with roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

Motion and second to approve the Marketing and Feasibility Study prepared by Integra Realty Resources for the Tallulah Industrial Parkway were made by Councilmembers Whitney and Robinson respectively carried with roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

Chief McCoy talked about a letter he had sent to the Mayor and City Councilmembers about raises for his department. He stated, he is losing certified officers to new jobs where they would make more money. After a brief discussion on the matter a motion and second for a two dollar (\$2.00) raise to be given as Chief McCoy sees fit were made by Councilmembers Robinson and Sims respectively carried with a roll call as follows:

Scott	Yes
Robinson	Yes
Sims	Yes
Day	Yes
Whitney	Yes

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Vanessa Stubblefield, Deputy City Clerk

Charles M. Finlayson, Mayor