CITY OF PLEASANT GROVE, ALABAMA

COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 18, 2022

The City Council of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama, met in the Council Chambers on Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Jerry Brasseale presiding. The following present:

Mayor: Jerry W. Brasseale

Council Members: Philip Houston

 Kevin Dunn

 Ray Lassiter

 Ken Hatfield

 Yolanda Lawson

Also present: City Clerk Recarda Cobb, Arthur Van Smith (Building Inspector), and Chief Robert Knight (Police Department), Jason Sandlin (Fire Department).

Prayer by Councilor Ray Lassiter.

Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Yolanda Lawson made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 18, 2022.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston.

Motion passed unanimously.

# APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilor Ken Hatfield made a motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of $319,857.91.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Yolanda Lawson.

Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2022-16.**  Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama entering into a contract with Greater Birmingham Humane Society for animal control and pound services.

Mayor Jerry Brasseale made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-16.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Yolanda Lawson

Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2022-18.**  Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama entering into a contract with Waste Away, Inc. (Waste Management), who was the lowest bidder, for residential garbage and related services. The prices per month are $20.71 per cart, and $10.35 per additional cart.

Mayor Jerry Brasseale made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-18.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston.

Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2022-19.** Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama agreeing to add $2.29 per cart monthly for garbage and related services. This will bring the total amount to $23.00 per cart monthly.

Mayor Jerry Brasseale made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-19.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston

Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2022-20.** Resolution of the City of Pleasant Grove, Alabama agreeing to hire Attorney J.D. Terry as an interpleader to stop the hoarding at 108 9th Street, Pleasant Grove, Alabama 35127.

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston made a motion to consider Resolution No. 2022-20.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Kevin Dunn.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston made a motion to table Resolution No. 2022-20.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Ken Hatfield.

Motion passed unanimously.

# OFFICERS OF THE CITY REPORTS

Arthur Van Smith talked about the Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting allowing a resident to have horses. It was approved.

Recarda Cobb - None

Chief Robert Knight – discussed some of the remodeling taking place at Fire Station.

Captain Jason Sandlin - None

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Pro-Tem Philip Houston – None

Councilor Ken Hatfield – stated that he is very grateful for the Police and Fire Departments for their professionalism and response time in taking care of the citizens. Also, Councilor Hatfield told the Chief to let him know if the departments need anything.

Councilor Kevin Dunn discussed an incident near his home. He stated how professional and prompt the Police and Fire Departments were at the incident. Councilor Dunn also encouraged everyone to drive by 8th Street to see how beautiful the horses are.

Councilor Ray Lassiter thanked everyone for coming out, discussed roads that need to be paved, inquired about the number of garbage bids, and thanked Councilor Lawson for presenting the summer job program

Councilor Yolanda Lawson stated that she is excited about summer job program for the kids. She proposed employment being from June 06, 2022 – July 01, 2022, working from Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, earning $8 an hour, and students being interviewed by a panel.

Councilor Lawson asked Chief Robert Knight about incidents and crime reports, and training available for police officers. Chief Knight said that it is a requirement that officers have continuing education. Captain Jason Sandlin stated that the Fire Department have a training officer that monitors firefighters training. Lastly, Councilor Lawson thanked Chief Knight for monitoring the speeding on high school road, and inquired about cutting the branches on 5th avenue. Mayor Jerry Brasseale stated that most of the branches are the responsibility of Jefferson County.

# CITIZENS COMMENTS

Richard Carter, 739 12th street, inquired about the neglected park behind First Baptist Church Pleasant Grove. Mayor Jerry Brasseale said that it is an unusual situation.

Victor Jordan, The Plug, discussed presenting the digital layout of Pleasant Grove’s streaming services. Mr. Jordan also talked about streaming on the City of Pleasant Grove’s existing site, and adding barcodes for citizens to scan on their phones. This would allow them access to the City’s website.

# ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Ken Hatfield made a motion to adjourn.

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Jerry W. Brasseale, Mayor

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Recarda Cobb, City Clerk