

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

CITY OF RAINBOW CITY-COUNCIL MEETING-DECEMBER 14, 2020

The City Council of the City of Rainbow City, Alabama, met in regular session at City Hall at 5:00 p.m., and upon roll call by City Clerk, Beth Lee, the following members answered present: Mayor Joe Taylor, Anita Bedwell, Randy Vice, Jeff Prince, Jameson Jenkins, and Clark Hopper. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Taylor. Invocation was given by Jeff Prince. Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

1. Mayor Taylor presented the minutes of regular Council meeting of November 23, 2020 and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Jameson Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Clark Hopper seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
2. Mayor Taylor stated that a Council member be appointed to the Utility Board for a four (4) year term. Clark Hopper nominated Anita Bedwell and made this in form of a motion. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call vote as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

3. Mayor Taylor stated that a representative met with the Mayor and Council during Work Session on November 23, 2020 to discuss cost savings to the City changing the LTD, AD&D, and life insurance for full-time employees. This is no cost to the employees. Anita Bedwell made a motion to replace SunLife Financial with Mutual of Omaha. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
4. Jeff Prince made a motion to extend a one-time pay raise of \$125.00 gross to full-time employees and \$75.00 gross to part-time employees to be paid in December. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
5. Mayor Taylor stated he would like the records to show that the Revenue Officer's title be changed to Director of Revenue.
6. Mayor Taylor presented a request from Police Chief Bryant to post for a Certified/Non-Certified Police Officer for ten (10) days to end on December 24, 2020. Jameson Jenkins made a motion to give Chief Bryant authority to interview and hire a qualified candidate. This is to fill the vacancy of a military active-duty officer. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
7. Mayor Taylor presented a request to purchase one (1) 2021 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 4WD Crew Cab 147" Work Truck for \$31,675.10 and one (1) 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe 2WD 4DR for \$34,980.26 for the Police Dept. from Donohoo Chevrolet (State Bid Price) to be paid out of the Court fund. Anita Bedwell made a motion to purchase these vehicles. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

8. Mayor Taylor presented Resolution No. 20-15 – Opposing the Pilgrim’s Pride Animal Rendering Facility. Jeff Prince made a motion to approve Resolution No. 20-15. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes
Mayor Taylor	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

9. Mayor Taylor presented a budget revision – Police Dept. – Increase due to a grant received from the Etowah County Community Development to help with the expense of ballistic helmets.

- Equipment & Tools – Non-Capital (Acct. #01-430-180) - \$14,000.00

Jameson Jenkins made a motion to approve the budget revision. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

10. Mayor Taylor presented an ad request from The Messenger – Christmas Greeting Edition to be published on Friday, December 25, 2020. Randy Vice made a motion to purchase a 5x5 color ad (only size) for \$100.00. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call vote as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

11. Mayor Taylor presented the monthly departmental reports from Animal Control, Building, Community Center, Court, Fire, Library and Police.

12. Anita Bedwell stated that the City will be applying for CDBG funds to apply for additional lighting and new netting at the VLMSC. Anita Bedwell made a motion to authorize Philip Hollingsworth to bid the lighting and nets if needed to be opened at the January 11, 2021 Pre-Council meeting at 4:30 p.m. Randy Vice seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

Announcements:

- City Hall will be closed Thurs. & Fri. (Dec. 24 & 25) in observance of Christmas. Garbage schedule Monday-Thursday, no service on Friday. Friday’s garbage will be picked up on Saturday.
- Lions Club Annual Nut Sale in Revenue Office.
- Tag Office in City Hall is currently closed (Nov. & Dec.). Will re-open January 2021
- The next council meeting will be Monday, January 11, 2021

There being no further business to come before the Council, Anita Bedwell made a motion to adjourn. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Time Adjourned: 5:34 p.m.

Beth Lee, City Clerk/Treasurer

Joe Taylor, Mayor