**STATE OF ALABAMA**

**COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

**CITY OF RAINBOW CITY-COUNCIL MEETING-SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

**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 the City Clerk, Barbara T. Wester, the following members answered present: Mayor Terry John Calhoun; Council members: Anita Bedwell, Bobby McCartney, Tim Ramsey, Larry Keenum, and Rick Hill. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Calhoun. Invocation was given by Larry Keenum. Mayor Calhoun led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun presented the minutes of August 28, 2017 for review and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Anita Bedwell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Larry Keenum seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
2. **Chief Horton requests a budget revision to transfer funds between various line items with the police budget 2016-2017, and to transfer from general account $l800.00 from sale of 2008 Crown Victoria to Glencoe, to Capital Outlay to go toward purchase of previously approved 2017 Ford Interceptor SUV. Anita Bedwell made a motion to approve the request. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
3. **Chief Horton requests to surplus two 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 pick-up trucks, 4-Wheel Drive, serial numbers 3911 and 1201 on govdeals.com with a reserve of $32,000.00, in attempt to sell for purchase of replacement Silverado’s. If vehicles do not bring reserve trucks will not be sold. Rick Hill made a motion to approve this request. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
4. **Captain Walker presented letters of Commendations to the following officer: Lt. Phillip Braswell, Acting Sgt. Shaye Thompson, Officer Richard Roberts, Officers Joe Johnson, and Detective Jason Higgins.**
5. **Chief Horton requests to hire Kristy Causey and Amber Stitt full time, at a rate of $12.00 per hour with family coverage insurance for each of them. Full time status will begin Friday, September 29, 2017, with a six-month probationary period beginning on that date. Rick Hill made a motion to approve this request. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
6. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from the Spina Bifida Association of Alabama, 11th Annual Gadsden Bow-A-Thon, October 21, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., at Paradise Lanes. Rick Hill made a motion to be a Gold Sponsor in the amount of $500.00. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
7. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from the Chamber of Commerce, Etowah County Current Magazine and Directory for sponsorship. Tim Ramsey made a motion for a half-page sponsorship in the amount of $900.00. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
8. **Mayor Calhoun presented the JSU Economic Impact Study of the Coosa River & Neely Henry Lake cost sharing proposal. Rainbow City’s share is $l, 710.00. Anita Bedwell made a motion to approve this request. Larry Keenum seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
9. **Mayor Calhoun stated that Johnny Christopher wants several work day sessions at the Disc golf area for clean-up. Rick Hill made a motion to allow him this time. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
10. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following monthly departmental reports: Library, Building, Community Center, Fire, Police and Court. He asked if anyone has comments. There being none, he asked that the records show the reports were presented.**
11. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following items to surplus: Detective Division: HP Printer, #000915, and Payroll office: Sharp calculator, #000047. All items are broken.**
12. **Mayor Calhoun announced that September 21, 2017 was Jennie Garnett’s last day of work. He also announced that the City’s insurance, Local Government Insurance went up 1.5%. He then announced that October 18, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. is the Ribbon Cutting for the Animal Control Shelter. He reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.**
13. **Mayor Calhoun said Chris Daniel’s wife requested to put a bench at City Hall and at the VLM tract. Wiley will make the decision where to put it at City Hall and Eddie Cline at the VLM track. Tim Ramsey made a motion to approve the request. Larry Keenum seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
14. **Rick Hill said Absolute Fitness will be hosting the Battle of the Badge on October 7, 2017, from 8-10 a.m., and made a motion to give $300.00 for ten (10) people to participate. All proceeds will go to Breast Cancer. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
15. **Tim Ramsey made a motion to take quotes for worker’s compensation insurance and liability and property insurance. Rick Hill accepted the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
16. **Larry Keenum spoke to Randy Burns about leasing a vehicle for Wiley, and the lease will be $350.00 per month. The City will furnish the insurance and they will take care of any repairs. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
17. **Anita Bedwell made a motion for NGR Savers to put equipment on the electrical system at City Hall to reduce the power bill by 30%. The cost is $3,760.00 for the equipment, or they will refund the money. At the present time the power bill is $5900.00 per month. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
18. **Anita Bedwell made a motion to post a job for Supervisor in the Street Department for thirty (30) days, after completion of the job description. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
19. **Mayor Calhoun discussed the Million dollar grant that Chuck Chitwood is handling for the City. Discussion followed. Tim Ramsey made a motion to table until the next council meeting. Mayor Calhoun asked for a roll call vote as follows: Anita Bedwell, yes; Bobby McCartney, yes; Tim Ramsey, yes; Larry Keenum, yes; and Rick Hill, yes. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
20. **Mayor Calhoun discussed Air Methods Advantage. It is an Air Medical Transport for the Citizens of Rainbow City. It provides citizens the security of knowing you are covered if there is a need to be transported via air ambulance in the service area. He asked the City Attorney to draw up a contract with the City and Air Methods Advantage. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion for the Mayor to sign the contract when completed. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**

**There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Anita Bedwell made a motion to adjourn.**

**Time adjourned: 5:50 p.m.**

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**Barbara T. Wester, City Clerk/Treasurer**

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**Terry John Calhoun, Mayor**