

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF ARAB, ALABAMA  
DECEMBER 18, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Arab, Alabama, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. for its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, December 18, 2017, in Arab City Hall, the time and place scheduled for such meeting.

Mayor Bob Joslin called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following answered present:

MARK GULLION  
CHRIS HARPER  
RENAE WARREN

Also present were Tony Willis (City Clerk), Summer Bixler (Administrative Assistant), Rodney Edmondson (City Attorney), representatives of the media, and the public.

Mayor Joslin declared a quorum present and opened the meeting for the transaction of business. Council Member Harper led the pledge of allegiance. The invocation was given by Council Member Gullion.

The minutes of the December 4, 2017, regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Harper and seconded by Council Member Gullion.

Mayor Joslin then moved to staff reports. The Mayor reported that the red ribbons in front of City Hall were donated by Scott's Urban Earth and were in memory of Mr. Buddy Breedwell. Also, Mr. Donnie Adams should be signing the soccer fieldhouse construction contract soon. He also commented on the new LED lights in the courtroom. Next, Tony Willis gave the November financial statement. He also reported that the Alcohol Review Committee approved the transfer of ownership of South Texaco. The Mayor then called on Police Chief Ed Ralston who reported that he and the Mayor are proceeding as discussed previously with getting a sworn police officer to fill the role of Community Service/Litter Coordinator. Next, Fire Chief

Ricky Phillips stated the City is putting out bid packets tonight on new fire ladder truck. He also reported on a couple of recent Fire/Medic graduates. Then Mr. Eric Hayes from the Arab Recreation Department reported that Santa in the Park goes on for one more week and they have also lit two of the City's Welcome Signs. Next, Ms. Melissa Cook stated that downtown work has continued and expects to be finished by the end of March at which time Phase II will begin. Lastly, Mr. Dameon Pittenger reported that one of the abatement houses has been removed and one other house is being worked on by the owner.

With no more staff reports, board appointments or old business to address, Mayor Joslin then moved to the first item of new business, to approve bid specifications for the lease-to-purchase of a 75' Pierce Ladder Truck for the Arab Fire Department. After review, Council Member Gullion then moved to approve the bid specifications. Council Member Warren seconded and all voted yes including the Mayor.

The last item of new business was a resolution to declare certain items surplus from City inventory. Council Member Warren moved to suspend the reading of the resolution. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Harper moved to suspend the rules. Council Member Warren seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Gullion then moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Warren seconded and all voted yes including the Mayor.

With no more new business to address, Mayor Joslin then opened up the floor for public comment. Since no one sought recognition, Council Member Warren moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes.

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MAYOR BOB JOSLIN

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TONY WILLIS, CITY CLERK