

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ARAB, ALABAMA
FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

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, February 5, 2018, 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:

MIKE ALLEN
MARK GULLION
CHRIS HARPER
JOHNNY HART
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 Hart led the pledge of allegiance. The invocation was given by Council Member Harper.

Council Member Allen moved to Amend the Agenda to re-organize Items 10. (a) and (b) of the Agend (Executive Session and consideration of Resolution) and move them to the end of New Business. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes.

The minutes of the January 16, 2018, regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Allen and seconded by Council Member Hart.

The minutes of the January 18, 2018, special meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Harper and seconded by Council Member Warren.

The minutes of the January 29, 2018, special meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Allen and seconded by Council Member Gullion.

Mayor Joslin then moved to staff reports. The Mayor reminded the Council of all the matters covered in the work session. Tony Willis reported that auditor is currently working on the audit and should have ready shortly.

With no more staff reports, board appointments or old business to address, Mayor Joslin then moved to the first item of new business, a resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Sales Contract with Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus, LLC, for the newly-negotiated amount for purchase of a fire truck. Council Member Allen moved to suspend the reading of the resolution. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Allen moved to suspend the rules. Council Member Hart seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Allen then moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Gullion seconded and all voted yes.

The second item of new business was a resolution to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments (TARCOG) to provide Professional Grant Administrative Services for a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant as provided in Grant. Council Member Harper moved to suspend the reading of the resolution. Council Member Warren seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Allen 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.

Mayor Joslin then called on City Attorney, Rodney Edmondson, who certified to the Council that pursuant to State Law, an Executive Session was appropriate to discuss possible future litigation. Based on the City Attorney's certification, Council Member Allen made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. The Council then moved with the Mayor, City Attorney Rodney Edmondson and Mr. P.J. Harris of Beard and

Beard Law Firm to the board room for the Executive Session regarding pending and threatened litigation.

Upon return from Executive Session, the Mayor and Council then moved to the last item of new business, a Resolution to authorize Mayor Joslin to enter into an Engagement Letter and Contingent Fee Agreement with Beard and Beard Law Firm. Council Member Allen moved to suspend the reading of the resolution. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Harper then moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Allen seconded and all voted yes.

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

MAYOR BOB JOSLIN

TONY WILLIS, CITY CLERK