

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ARAB, ALABAMA
MARCH 4, 2019**

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, March 4, 2019, 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), several city department heads, representatives of the media, and the public.

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

The minutes of the February 19, 2019, regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Allen and seconded by Council Member Warren.

Mayor Joslin then reminded the Council of the items covered in pre-meeting. The Mayor further reported for Eric Hayes from the Park and Recreation Department that 410 baseball and softball kids have signed up for spring sports. Also, Dameon Pittenger reported on two new possible abatements and that the new Jerry Damson dealership on Brindlee Mountain Parkway is

almost complete. With no more staff reports or old business, Mayor Joslin then moved to the first item of new business, a resolution to amend the FY 2018-2019 Operating Budget. Council Member Gullion moved to suspend the reading of the resolution, subject to the resolution being amended to indicate that Item One (1) would also require approval of Marshall County E911 before expenditure as had been discussed in the work session. Council Member Allen seconded based on that amendment being included and all voted yes. Council Member Allen moved to suspend the rules. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Hart indicated that he had some questions regarding the reasoning for certain of the expenditures related to the jail that he felt might need to be discussed in Executive Session based on the recommendation of the City Attorney. Council Member Allen then moved to table voting on the final approval of the matter until after Executive Session. Council Member Hart seconded and all voted yes to table the final vote until after Executive Session later in this meeting.

Next the Mayor moved on to the second item of new business, a resolution to award bid for used dozer/crawler. Based on the Mayor reporting that all of the bids received had exceptions indicated to certain of the bid requirements which were pertinent, Council Member Hart moved to reject the bids due to them being non-responsible. Council Member Allen seconded and all voted yes.

With no more new business to address, the Council prepared to move into Executive Session.

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 pending and threatened litigation. Based on the City Attorney's certification, Council Member Hart made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the annual litigation update. Council Member Allen

seconded and all voted yes. The Council then moved with the Mayor and City Attorney Rodney Edmondson to the board room for the Executive Session.

Upon return from Executive Session, Council Member Allen then moved to approve the resolution amending the FY 2018-2019 Budget. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. The Mayor then opened the floor for public comment. When no one sought recognition Council Member Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes.

MAYOR BOB JOSLIN

TONY WILLIS, CITY CLERK