

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ARAB, ALABAMA
MAY 29, 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 Tuesday, May 29, 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 Gullion led the pledge of allegiance. The invocation was given by Council Member Harper.

The minutes of the May 7, 2018, regular meeting were approved by unanimous vote upon a motion made by Council Member Allen and seconded by Council Member Warren.

Mayor Joslin then moved to staff reports. City Clerk Tony Willis reported that audits have been completed and presented to the Council. He stated it was a “clean” audit with no issues reported and that if there were any questions, the auditor would be happy to attend and address them. Police Chief Ed Ralston reported that the Police Department has done extensive training at schools in anticipation of a possible active shooter scenario at the City schools. They

have also worked with AFD to ensure medic stations are jointly set up. Also they train jointly with Guntersville and their SWAT team to ensure we have back up in place if needed. School Resource Officers are in place at each school as well. Fire Chief Ricky Phillips reported that the ladder truck has been delivered. Also, Lt. Potter has been training with Alabama Fire College recently and is actually used as an instructor as well. Mr. Eric Hayes from the Park and Recreation Department stated that the first Movie in the Park is this Saturday, weather permitting. Also the Arab Rotary Club has donated trees to the disc golf course. Ms. Melissa Cook stated that she went to Montgomery last week and was able to get some ADECA grant funds for a new deceleration lane for the Zaxby's property. They are also finalizing plans for the Splash Pad and completing last finishing touches on Phase I of downtown improvements. Mr. Dameon Pittenger reported that a house on 3rd Avenue has been taken down and abated. He is still working on several ongoing abatements.

With no more staff reports or old business to address, Mayor Joslin then moved to the first item of new business, a Resolution to authorize the Mayor to submit a grant application with appropriate assurances to ADECA for CDBG funds to construct a deceleration lane along Highway 231. 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 Gullion seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Harper then moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Allen seconded and all voted yes.

The second item of new business was a Resolution to amend the FY 2017-2018 Operating Budget. Council Member Hart moved to suspend the reading of the resolution. Council Member Allen seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Allen moved to suspend

the rules. Council Member Harper seconded and all voted yes. Council Member Allen then moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Hart seconded and all voted yes.

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

MAYOR BOB JOSLIN

TONY WILLIS, CITY CLERK