**STATE OF ALABAMA**

**COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

**CITY OF RAINBOW CITY-COUNCIL MEETING-NOVEMBER 13, 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, Larry Keenum, and Rick Hill. Tim Ramsey, absent.**

**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 Bobby McCartney. Mayor Calhoun led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun presented the minutes of October 23, 2017 for review, and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Rick Hill made**

**a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Larry Keenum seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**

**Mayor Calhoun made the following announcements: Tomorrow is the Senior Citizens Thanksgiving meal. Sunday, November 19 is the Community Thanksgiving Service at Harvestfield Church beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Fall Resurfacing Project bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21. City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24 for Thanksgiving. The Garbage schedule---no pick up on Thursday (Thanksgiving Day). Pick up on Friday and Saturday. The Rainbow City Christmas Tree Lighting will be Monday, December 4, at 6:00 p.m. Joyful-Juniors will be performing. Refreshments will be served along with a visit from Santa.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun announced that the phone system for the Animal Shelter has been installed and paid for.**
2. **Mayor Calhoun said all the Cities are joining in the Opioids Lawsuit. The City Attorney said the Opioids situation is a nationwide epidemic, and this might be a way to get to the distributors of the various drugs. This is a Class Action lawsuit. The Cities need to keep records and these records will determine how much money each city will get. Discussion followed. Anita Bedwell made a motion to give the Mayor the authority to sign the contract. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
3. **Mayor Calhoun presented a proposal of $2,300.00 from A & G Construction & Fence, LLC to install new 20’ Cantilever Roll Gate in existing fence at the new recycling building. Anita Bedwell made a motion to purchase the gate. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
4. **Mayor Calhoun presented a budget revision in the Recreation Department. Insurance reimbursed damage to VLMSC ballfield lights. The account of Repairs & Maintenance was increased $5,305.00, making an amended balance of $38,701.75. They also reimbursed stolen equipment and tools at the VLMSC in the amount of $5,164.76, for an amended balance of $13,810.84. Bobby McCartney made a motion to approve the budget revisions. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
5. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from El Tapatio Restaurant l, 3514 Rainbow Drive, for a Restaurant Retail Liquor License. Camilo Martinez, Glencoe, Alabama is the owner. Rick Hill made a motion to approve the license. Larry Keenum seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
6. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following vehicle in the police department to surplus: one 2016 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado, Vin #1201, as a trade in to Donohoo Chevrolet, Ft. Payne for $27,000.00 and purchase one 2017 Chevrolet Silverado off the State Bid list for a price of $33,000.00 for a total of $6629.40 difference after trade-in. Rick Hill 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.**
7. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following monthly departmental reports: Library, Building, Court, Community Center, Police, Animal Shelter, and Fire Department. He asked if anyone has any questions. There being none, he asked the minutes to show the reports were presented.**
8. **Mayor Calhoun discussed the widening of Steele Station Road. Bad soil was discovered, and the City will be responsible for any overage on the cost. It can run from $750,000.00 to $900,000.00. The MPO might pay some of this.**
9. **Rick Hill said that Jim Stewart has saved the City a large amount of money in the Recreation Department. He then made a motion to promote him to Rainbow City Electrician, and he will still work in the Recreation Department. When he is not doing electrical work, he will do the same work as the other recreation employees under the Recreation Director. Rick then made a motion to give him a $2.00 per hour raise. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun asked for a roll call vote as follows: Rick Hill, yes; Mayor Calhoun, no; Larry Keenum, yes; Anita Bedwell, yes; Bobby McCartney, yes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
10. **Larry Keenum, Anita Bedwell, and Bobby McCartney wished everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving.**

**Time Adjourned: 5:20 p.m.**

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

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 **Terry John Calhoun, Mayor**