**STATE OF ALABAMA**

**COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

**CITY OF RAINBOW CITY-COUNCIL MEETING-OCTOBER 23, 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, Tim Ramsey, Larry Keenum, and Rick Hill. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted.**

**The meeting was called to order by Mayor Terry John Calhoun. Invocation was given by**

**Tim Ramsey. Mayor Calhoun led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.**

**Mayor Calhoun made the following announcements:**

1. **City Hall will be closed Friday, November 10th for Veterans Day. Garbage will be on schedule.**
2. **Tuesday, October 31st is the last day for the Etowah County Tag Office in Rainbow City to be open for the year. They will reopen on January 2, 2018.**
3. **Starting on Saturday, November 4, our Animal Shelter will be open on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.--2: p.m. for adoptions.**
4. **Mayor Calhoun presented the minutes of October 9, 2017 for review, and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Anita Bedwell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
5. **Mayor Calhoun stated he needed a motion to take off the table, Item 2 of the Council meeting, October 9, 2017. Tim Ramsey made a motion to take Item 2 off the table. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried. Mayor Calhoun stated the reason this item (Whorton Creek Grant) has been tabled is that Chuck Chitwood has to get easements signed from four (4) property owners. Rick Hill then made a motion to table until we hear from Chuck Chitwood concerning the easements. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun asked for a roll call vote as follows: Anita Bedwell, yes; Bobby McCartney, yes; Tim Ramsey, yes; Rick Hill, yes; and Mayor Calhoun, yes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
6. **Mayor Calhoun said bids were opened at the last council meeting, so the Council needs to award the bid tonight. The three (3) bidders are as follows: Fred Dempsey Constructions: $30,887.00; Greer Building Contractors: $31,320.00; and Trent Thrasher Construction: $41,322.00. Anita Bedwell made a motion to award the bid to Fred Dempsey Construction, who had the lowest bid. Bobby McCartney seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
7. **Mayor Calhoun presented Resolution No. 1708, authorizing incorporation of the Commercial Development Authority of the City of Rainbow City. Discussion followed. Tim Ramsey made a motion to adopt the resolution. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
8. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from the librarian for a budget revision, requesting that the $1,000.00 Community Services Grant monies received from Mac Butler be used for collection development. Rick Hill made a motion to this effect. Bobby McCartney seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
9. **Mayor Calhoun presented a budget revision in the police department increasing Capital Outlay by $32,000.00, from the sale of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado. Funds will go toward the purchase on the state bid of a 2017 Chevrolet Silverado for $33,629.40. Rick Hill made a motion to this effect. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
10. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from the Chief to purchase a 2017 Chevrolet Silverado for $33,629.40 off the State Bid list. Anita Bedwell made a motion to purchase the vehicle. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
11. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from the Chief to post one police officer position for ten (10) days. Will accept certified or non-certified applicants. Rick Hill made a motion to post the position. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
12. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request to purchase a camera system for the Animal Shelter for $4,067.00. Rick Hill made a motion to purchase the camera. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
13. **Mayor Calhoun presented a request from Eddie Cline to give Rodney Bartlett a pay increase of $.50 an hour for his six-month pay increase. Tim Ramsey made a motion to give the pay increase. Rick Hill seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
14. **Mayor Calhoun presented the attached surplus list for the Recreation Department. Anita Bedwell made a motion to surplus the items and open bids at the next meeting at pre-council at 4:30 p.m. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
15. **Mayor Calhoun stated we have an appeal by a former employee on a personnel issue, and asked if Joe Johnson is present. Mr. Johnson filed an appeal of the termination of his probationary job. Mr. Johnson did not attend the City Council Meeting, although he was notified. The City Council considered the paperwork offered by the Police Chief and Mr. Johnson. Anita Bedwell made a motion to uphold Chief Horton’s recommendation. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**

**There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Anita Bedwell made a motion to adjourn.**

**Time Adjourned: 5:15 p.m.**

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

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 **Terry John Calhoun, Mayor**