

**WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2018**

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled work session on Monday, October 15, 2018, in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building located at 601 12th Street, Phenix City, Alabama. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Councilmember Arthur L. Day Jr., Councilmember Vickey Carter Johnson, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember R. Griff Gordy, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Also present were City Manager Wallace B. Hunter, City Clerk Melony Lee, and City Attorney Jimmy Graham. Department Heads in attendance were: Building Official Gil Griffith, Economic Development Manager Shaun Culligan, Engineering Director Angel Moore, Utilities Director Stephen Smith, Finance Director Labrita King Copeland, Fire Chief Kris Kennedy, IT Director Mike Bauer, Library Director Michele Kilday, Municipal Court Clerk Ruby White, Parks and Recreation Director Todd Hughes, Human Resources Director Stephanie Chastain, Chief of Police R. J. Smith and Graduate Engineer John Spraggins.

Upon a quorum being established, Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order.

The invocation was led by Councilmember Day.

Mayor Lowe called upon Engineering Director Angel Moore to discuss the actions taken by the Planning Commission at their October 9, 2018 meeting.

Mayor Lowe called upon City Clerk Melony Lee who discussed the following with Mayor and Council:

1. Reminded Mayor and Council of the Administrative Hearing on October 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.
2. Reminded Mayor and Council of the Downtown Redevelopment Authority meeting on October 18, 2018 being cancelled.
3. Reminded everyone of the Homage Park meeting on October 18, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.
4. Reminded everyone of the Fort Benning Oktoberfest starting the weekend of October 19, 2018.
5. Reminded everyone that Councilmember Day will be attending the AARC Annual Training Conference October 21st through the 26th. Ms. Lee stated this conference is through the Lee Council-Russell County governments.
6. City Clerk Melony Lee reminded everyone that she would be out due to jury duty the week of October 29, 2018.
7. City Clerk Melony Lee reminded everyone that she would be in at 1:00 p.m. on November 7, 2018.
8. Reminded everyone of the Veteran's Day Parade on November 10, 2018.
9. Reminded everyone of Thanksgiving Holidays on November 22nd and 23rd.
10. Reminded everyone of the Downtown Redevelopment interviews after the November 5, 2018 work session.
11. Discussed the 2019 city calendar with Mayor and Council.

Human Resources Director Stephanie Chastain discussed the Human Resources Departmental Review with Mayor and Council.

Mayor Lowe and Council discussed the following:

1. Councilmember Bailey inquired about the insurance coverage for future councilmembers. Stephanie Chastain and City Manager Wallace Hunter discussed the insurance coverage information with Mayor and Council.
2. Councilmember Bailey inquired about Whitewater Express. Utilities Director Stephen Smith and City Manager Wallace Hunter discussed the Whitewater Express Outfitter 10 year contract with Mayor and Council. Economic Director Shaun Culligan and Utilities Director Stephen Smith discussed the review of the Whitewater Rafting Operations and Facilities at the Chattahoochee Whitewater Park.
3. Mayor Lowe, Council, and City Manager Wallace Hunter discussed the Brickyard Road project.
4. Councilmember Johnson inquired about the Hickory Heights project. Engineering Director Angel Moore advised Mayor and Council that the material had been ordered.
5. Utilities Director Stephen Smith discussed the regulators on water meters with Mayor and Council.
6. Councilmember Day inquired about the paving project at the Industrial Park. Engineering Director Angel Moore advised to Mayor and Council that the paving project would stop at AlaTrade.
7. Councilmember Johnson inquired about the problem with dumping tires in Phenix City. City Manager Wallace Hunter discussed the tire issue and discussed the amount of trash around the city.
8. Councilmember Day inquired about the Arthur Sumbry Park area. City Manager Wallace Hunter discussed the Arthur Sumbry Park area with Mayor and Council.

Mayor Lowe went over the agenda items.

City Attorney Graham reviewed the claims with Mayor and Council.

There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned until 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 5, 2018.