

**City of Chelsea
City Council Pre-Council**

December 5th, 2017

Pre-Council Minutes

Members of the Chelsea City Council met in pre-council on December 5th, 2017, at 5:30 P.M. with Mayor Tony Picklesimer presiding. The meeting was held in the Conference Room Chamber and open to the public.

The following elected officials were found to be present:

Mayor Tony Picklesimer
Councilmember Cody Summers
Councilmember Scott Weygand
Councilmember David Ingram
Councilmember Tiffany Bittner
Councilmember Casey Morris

Others present were: City Clerk Becky Landers, Fire Chief Wayne Shirley, and City Attorney Mark Boardman

After discussion regarding items on the agenda and other various items the pre-council meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M. and the Council met in the council chambers for the regular scheduled council meeting.

Approval Date: December 19th, 2017

Certification: Tony Picklesimer
Tony Picklesimer, Mayor

Attest: Becky C. Landers
Becky C. Landers, City Clerk

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Regular Session

The City Council of the City of Chelsea, Alabama, met in regular council session on December 5th 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at Chelsea City Hall. Mayor Tony Picklesimer called the meeting to order and Pastor Steve Kilpatrick from Chelsea Baptist Church opened the meeting with prayer. The pledge of allegiance was led by Scott Weygand.

The following elected officials were found to be present:

Mayor Tony Picklesimer
Councilmember Cody Sumners
Councilmember Scott Weygand
Councilmember David Ingram
Councilmember Tiffany Bittner
Councilmember Casey Morris

Mayor Picklesimer declared a quorum present.

A motion to approve the minutes as presented from the November 15th, 2017, Pre-Council Meeting Minutes and Regular Council Meeting Minutes was made by Casey Morris and seconded by David Ingram. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

James Price from the Cahaba Coosa Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution presented framed certificates for City Hall and the Fire Station at 160 Chesser Drive. They are in recognition of Chelsea's properly displaying the American flag.

A Proclamation declaring the week of February 24th, 2018 as "Arbor Week" and February 24th, 2018 as "Arbor Day" was presented by Mayor Picklesimer. A motion was made by David Ingram and seconded by Cody Sumners to approve this proclamation. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

Representatives of the Chelsea High School Student Government Association presented council member David Ingram with a gift. Student Government Association President Tanner Middleton told the council they had accepted donations during the month of October, in addition to selling "pink out" shirts to raise money for breast cancer awareness, and wanted to present the funds as well as gift certificates to the Ingram family in honor of Councilmember Ingram's wife, Kristi pas in late November following a years-long battle with breast cancer. Since her death, the Chelsea Community has held candlelight vigils, recognized their family at sporting events, and Councilmember Ingram expressed his deep appreciation to all present.

Proposed Resolution 2017-11-21-648 for a resolution to authorize the Mayor of Chelsea for the hiring of consultants to investigate in creating our own sewer services in the City of Chelsea was presented by Mayor Picklesimer. About 40 percent of Chelsea residents are currently served by privately owned company Double Oak Water Reclamation and view their rates as unreasonable and too high. The city will look at several sources, probably from engineering companies, to look at how possible the project would be and according to the resolution the mayor will be


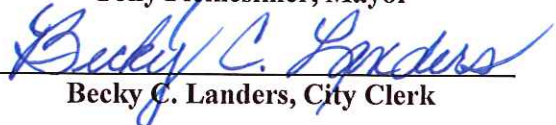
authorized to spend up to \$25,000 for the consultant and feasibility study. This is separate from the Governmental Utility Services Corporation (GUSC) the council voted to establish in September and the GUSC is a separate board that is appointed by the council and will not be involved in the new resolution. A motion was made by Scott Weygand and seconded by Casey Morris to approve this resolution. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

Proposed Resolution 2017-11-21-649 for a resolution in opposition to the closing of the Childersburg Work Release Center was also presented by Mayor Picklesimer. Mayor Picklesimer attended an emergency meeting last week, where municipal leaders that use laborers from the work release center voiced concerns over the repurposing of the center. Mayor Picklesimer stated that while Chelsea only uses two individuals from the program currently, other entities face the potential for a much higher negative financial impact. He also stated that it is not about just free labor for the city, but gives these prisoners the chance to transition back into public life and a chance to demonstrate their willingness to work to make it back into society. A motion was made by Cody Sumners and seconded by Scott Weygand to approve this resolution. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

The approval of the City of Chelsea Bills to be paid was next on the agenda. A motion was made by Cody Sumners and seconded by Scott Weygand to approve to pay the bills. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tiffany Bittner and seconded by David Ingram. A voice vote was taken and it was an unanimous, "Yes".

Time: 6:27 P.M.

Approval Date: December 19th, 2017
Certification: 
Tony Picklesimer, Mayor
Attest: 
Becky C. Landers, City Clerk