

August 18, 2014

WORKSHOP:

Councilmember David Holt gave the invocation and Councilmember Brandon Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following topics were discussed:

1. RDS Lodging Tax Agreement
2. Your Town Alabama Workshop
3. 2013-2014 Amended Budget
4. Post-Retirement Benefits
5. Splash Pad – Public Hearing/Comments
6. Fall Municipal Law Conference
7. Imagination Library – AMRV-RC&D
8. Field of Dreams

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

The Rainsville City Council met in regular session on August 18, 2014, at 5:30 pm at the Agri-Center with the following members present: Mayor Nick Jones. Councilmembers: Joey Graham, David Holt, Melissa Ledbetter, Brandon Freeman and Rodger Lingerfelt. City Attorney: Dara Patterson.

Mayor Nick Jones called the meeting to order and called the roll.

A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Freeman to approve the August 6, 2014, minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #1. A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to empower the mayor to sign the renewal Lodging Tax Agreement with RDS. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #2. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Freeman to purchase a 2015 Mack MRU Garbage Truck from Ingram Equipment Company on the NJPA contract for \$237,101.71 and empower the Mayor and Clerk to renew our note and seek financing at the First Southern State Bank. This will be paid out of the Sanitation Fund and will be in next year budget. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #3. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to purchase three new 2013 Dodge Chargers for the police department for \$21,000.00 each and empower the Mayor and Clerk to seek financing. This will be on the NJPA contract and will come out of next year budget. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #4. A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to amend the 2013-2014 Budget with a copy being on file in the clerk's office. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilmember Holt also discussed Post Retirement Benefits and asked that City Attorney Dara Patterson research on have we need to proceed on amending the employee handbook.

After an article being published in a local newspaper giving the community an opportunity to express their views on a grant for the purchase and installation of a Splash Pad for the City or Rainsville, Councilmember Ledbetter advised the public that there were petitions in the back of the room to sign for support and/or comments.

Item #5. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Freeman to separate the Walking Trail Grant from the splash Pad Grant in order to seek local grant funding and non-restricted funds. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #6. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Freeman to approve City Attorney, Dara Patterson to attend the Fall Municipal Law Conference in Orange Beach, September 25 -27, 2014. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #7. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Lingerfelt that the City of Rainsville continues to work with AMRV-RC&D as a partnership to seek matching grants for the Imagination Library and other matching and non-matching grants and empower the Mayor to sign agreements for these grants thru AMRV-RC &D. Motion carried with all in favor. Councilmember Ledbetter respectfully requested that it be made a part of the minutes that she is 100% behind the Imagination Library and she requested to be involved in any and all meetings with regards to the Imagination Library.

Item #8. A motion was made by Freeman and seconded by Ledbetter to pay the Pee Wee Football Club \$2,300.00 for the purchase of a metal storage building that was built at the Field of Dreams. The Pee Wee Football Club will have access to the Bethune Fields from July 1st to December 31st. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #9. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to reschedule our next regular council meeting from Monday, September 1, 2014 to Tuesday, September 2, 2014, due to Labor Day Holiday. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Freeman to pay the monthly bills as presented by the city treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to adjourn at 6:10 pm. Motion carried with all in favor.

Nick Jones, Mayor

Judy Lewis, City Clerk