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March 4, 2013

**WORKSHOP:**

**5:00 pm – Paul Bell – Dare Program**

Mr. Bell addressed the council about the city sponsoring T-Shirts for the Dare Program

**5:10 pm – Derek Burke – Property surrounding his house and the upkeep**

Mr. Burke addressed the council about abandoned homes in his neighborhood and asked if the council would consider passing an Ordinance to prevent this from happening.

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:**

The Rainsville City Council met in regular session on March 4, 2013, at 6:00 pm at the Rainsville Fire Hall with the following members present: Mayor Nick Jones. Councilmembers: Rodger Lingerfelt, Brandon Freeman, Joey Graham, David Holt and Melissa Ledbetter. City Attorney: Eric Colley. City Accountant: Betty Holcomb.

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

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Freeman to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 21, 2013, regular council meeting and approve them as presented by the clerk. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #1.** Mayor Jones presented a resignation from Larry Traylor resigning from The Public Building Authority and the Northeast Alabama Agri-Business Center Board. After a discussion, a motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to accept this resignation as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #2.** A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to sponsor T-Shirts for the Dare Program in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #3.** A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to hire Christie Towns, as a part-time temporary dispatcher. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #4.** A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Freeman to follow the precedence set about holiday pay for emergency personnel until it can be addressed in the employee handbook. This is retroactive to President's Day. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #5.** A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to hire Charles Coffen, as a full time police officer to replace an officer that resigned. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #6.** A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Freeman to hire Monica Smith, as a full time Child Librarian. Motion carried with all in favor.

**Item #7.** A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Lingerfelt to discontinue the landscaping contract at the library effective April 1<sup>st</sup>. The city street department will take this over. Motion carried with all in favor.

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**Item # 8.** A motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Graham to combine the positions of the Parks & Recreation Director, Pool Director, and Summer League Director into one and make this a salary position. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mrs. Betty Holcomb, City Accountant, attended the council meeting to answer some questions about the tornado memorial fund. Betty informed the council that they are not enough receipts from the fund raising to conduct a full audit. She also informed the council and all present that contributions made to the tornado memorial fund are now in fact tax deductible.

A motion was made by Freeman and seconded by Ledbetter to pay the monthly bills as presented. Motion carried with all in favor.


**At 6:25 pm**, a motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Graham to go into executive session to discuss the good name and character of an employee. Motion carried unanimously.

**At 7:25 pm**, by report of Mayor Jones, a motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Freeman to return to regular session with no action being taken. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Freeman to adjourn at 7:26 pm. Motion carried with all in favor.



Nick Jones, Mayor

  
Judy Lewis, City Clerk