

STATE OF ALABAMA )

CITY OF ONEONTA, ALABAMA DECEMBER 9, 2014

COUNTY OF BLOUNT )

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on December 9, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Norris, Council: Rogers, Blackwood, Gargus, McNair and Robinson. Also present were Ed Lowe, Alex Smith, Scott Evans, Chief Arthur Willis, Chief James Chapman, Steve Gunn, Brandon Horton, Kevin Nicodemus, Jim Kilgore and Tammie Noland.

Councilman Blackwood gave the invocation.

Councilman Robinson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Councilman Gargus seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

A public hearing was held at 5:15 p.m. on this same date to consider a Declaration of vacation of alley filed by Lester Memorial United Methodist Church by and through its Authorized Representative, Wendell Ellis, Chairman of Trustees, who is the owner of all abutting alley located between Lots 49-64, First Addition to the Town of Oneonta, Map Cabinet 16L in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Blount County, Alabama. Ed Lowe read the Declaration of Vacation of Alley. There was no opposition present at the public hearing. Ed stated that the petitioners would be responsible for relocating utilities. Mayor Norris entertained a motion to close the public hearing at 5:27 p.m. Councilman Robinson made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Blackwood seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Ed Lowe read a resolution stating that the vacation of said alley is in order and that convenient and reasonable means of ingress and egress is afforded to all other property owners owning properties in the tract of land embraced in said map as recorded. Councilman Gargus made a motion to approve the resolution to vacate said alley. Councilwoman Rogers seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilman McNair made a motion to purchase a 2015 Tahoe for the police department. Councilman McNair stated that a bid was received from the State Bid list for Twenty-eight thousand, three hundred and thirty dollars (\$28,330.00). ~~Councilman Blackwood~~ seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Ed Lowe read a letter from Kim Hamby, Executive Director of the Oneonta Housing Authority, recommending the re-appointment of Don Camp to serve on the Housing Authority Board. Councilman Robinson made a motion to re-appoint Don Camp. Councilman McNair seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

The Beautification Board was not present at the meeting.

The Oneonta Business Association was not present at the meeting.

Ed Lowe invited everyone to come to the Old Brick Church during the parade for hot chocolate, coffee, cookies and to see the renovation progress.

Councilman Gargus thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and he reported on some park and recreation basketball events. He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday and asked that everyone keep Councilman Robinson and his family in prayer during this time, as his dad is very ill.

Councilman Blackwood reported that the leaf truck will start running next week. He reiterated what Councilman Gargus said about keeping Councilman Robinson and his family in prayer.

Councilman McNair thanked the mayor and council for approving the purchase of the 2015 Tahoe police vehicle. Councilman McNair asked that everyone buy local and have a safe holiday. Also, he reiterated to keep the Robinson family in prayer.

Councilman Robinson expressed appreciation to everyone for their prayers and he wished everyone a happy holiday.

Councilwoman Rogers thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She asked that everyone remember those less fortunate during this holiday season. . Also, Councilwoman Rogers reminded everybody to have a home safety and fire safety plan.

Mayor Norris thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Mayor Norris extended his sincere thoughts to Councilman Robinson, stating that Mr. Robinson is a great man, a World War II Veteran and a great influence. There being no further business, Councilman Blackwood moved to adjourn. Councilman McNair seconded and the motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR