

**MEETING MINUTES
January 2, 2019**

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met in a regularly scheduled council meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers within the Public Safety Building located at 1111 Broad Street, Phenix City, Alabama. Upon roll call, the following members of Council 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 Hunter, City Clerk Melony Lee, and City Attorney Jimmy Graham.

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

Mayor Lowe delivered the invocation.

Councilmember Johnson led the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

City Manager Wallace Hunter and Human Resources Director Stephanie Chastain presented employee service recognitions to Michael Ballstaedt (5 years), Eliza Phillips (10 years), and Shelia Aaron (20 years).

Mayor Lowe presented the regularly scheduled meeting minutes of the December 17, 2018 work session and the December 18, 2018 council meeting for approval. Councilmember Day moved to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe stated there was no unfinished business to address at this time.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to accept a proposal from Thompson Insurance, Inc. for calendar years 2019, 2020, and 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$225,808.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01

Councilmember Gordy moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmember Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Best Copy Products, Inc. for a Sharp MX-5070V Networked Digital Color Copier for the total amount of \$6,646.32 for 36 months.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-02

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmember Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to declaring old turnout gear as surplus to be disposed of at the City Landfill.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03

Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented an Itemized Statement of Expense from Arthur L. Day, Jr. in the amount of \$116.00. Mayor Lowe called for a vote approving the Itemized Statement of Expense. Councilmember Gordy moved to approve the Itemized Statement of Expense, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe Presented an Itemized Statement of Expense from Vickey C. Johnson in the amount of \$10.11. Mayor Lowe called for a vote approving the Itemized Statement of Expense. Councilmember Gordy moved to approve the Itemized Statement of Expense, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmember Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe thanked the Department Heads for their hard work.

Councilmember Day wished the citizens of Phenix City a Happy New Year. Councilmember Day also advised the citizens that the city is still working on the 5th Street South project.

Mayor Lowe reminded the citizens of the State of the City Address on January 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Martin-Idle Hour Park Community Center and encouraged all citizens to come to see how the city is using tax dollars to make improvements throughout the city.

Councilmember Johnson wished everyone a Happy New Year. Councilmember Johnson also congratulated the city workers for a job well done. Councilmember Johnson further stated school would be starting back soon and to be safe and have a successful 2019.

Mayor Lowe thanked CTV-Beam for their hard work.

There being no further business to address, the meeting thus adjourned until January 15, 2019.