MINUTES
Algood City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Fowler 6:02 pm

Invocation by Shannon Herron Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Roger Williams

Roll call: Honorable Mayor Fowler, Honorable Councilman Bilbrey, Honorable Councilman Williams, Honorable Councilwoman Hawkins Absent: Honorable Vice Mayor Hill

Others Present: Attorney Danny Rader, City Recorder Anna Walker, Public Works Director Walt Bradshaw, Parks and Recs Director Roy Phipps, Fire Chief David Judd, Police Chief Tim Terry, DC Bryant Swallows, Building Inspector Bob Lane, Herald Citizen

Agenda and Minutes:

Motion was made by Councilman Williams to approve the agenda as presented. Second was voiced by Councilman Bilbrey. Motion Carried. Those voting Aye: Mayor Fowler, Councilman Bilbrey, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. Those voting Nye: None. Absent: Vice Mayor Hill

Motion was made by Councilman Bilbrey to approve minutes from council meeting held on September 10, 2024. Second was voiced by Councilwoman Hawkins. **Motion Carried. Those voting Aye:** Mayor Fowler, Councilman Bilbrey, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. **Those voting Nye: None. Absent:** Vice Mayor Hill

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Motion was made by Councilman Bilbrey to suspend the reading of Ordinance 713-24. Second was voiced by Councilman Williams. **Motion Carried. Those voting Aye:** Mayor Fowler, Councilman Bilbrey, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. **Those voting Nye: None. Absent:** Vice Mayor Hill

Motion was made by Councilman Bilbrey to approve, on first reading, Ordinance 713-24 setting new water rates beginning on January 1, 2025. Second was voiced by Councilwoman Hawkins. **Motion Carried. Those voting Aye:** Mayor Fowler, Councilman Bilbrey, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. **Those voting Nye: None. Absent:** Vice Mayor Hill

Motion was made by Mayor Fowler to appoint Lloyd Norris to the BZA for a term ending 2026. Second was voiced by Councilman Bilbrey. **Motion Carried. Those voting Aye:** Mayor Fowler, Councilman Bilbrey, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. **Those voting Nye: None. Absent:** Vice Mayor Hill

Motion was made by Councilman Williams to appoint Bill Bilbrey to the BZA for a term ending 2026. Second was voiced by Councilwoman Hawkins. **Motion Carried. Those voting Aye:** Mayor Fowler, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Hawkins. **Those voting Nye: None. ABSTAINED:** Councilman Bilbrey **Absent:** Vice Mayor Hill

CITY ADMINISTATOR'S REPORT:

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Fire Chief David Judd: Nozzles for Engine 2 has arrived and replaced as the old ones were 30 years old; wanted to show gratitude for donations for East TN and NC we had an outpouring of support from the community, Thank you.

Police Chief Tim Terry: Had 509 calls for service, 131 traffic stops, wanted to commend 2 officers Jeremy Beard and Matthew Hunter who assisted with the bicyclist who had a deep wound injury. The officers assisted him until first responders and air life evac showed up to transport him to Vanderbuilt. He has since recovered and home.

Public Works Director Walt Bradshaw: Public Works is running smoothly, actively doing some patch work; leaf season is coming quickly make sure to push leaves to the edge of the road for pick up; 458 work orders; new salt bin flour has been poured and almost ready for use.

Parks and Recs Director Roy Phipps: Fall Ya'll Even is on 10/26 from 3 pm to 7 pm. Will have 200 pumpkins first come first serve; local business will be set up with activities for kids, bounce houses, food trucks. Walt put together Hay Rides to run from park to White Plains house for a tour and also be served hot chocolate and cider. The new dog park is officially open to the public, will be installing a water line out to area. Wanted to give a shout out to Keith Morrison who helped with the dog park as well as Walt's guys.

New Park also has no parking singes to stop people from parking in the grass due to underground utilities. Please use parking lot for parking.

Councilman Williams: parking has been a problem there, need to see about cost for assisting with parking issues

Mayor Fowler: digital sign; does any departments need positions filed?

Chief Terry: has one position open currently

Chief Judd: always accepting applications for Volunteer Firefighters.

Mayor Fowler: asking Director Phipps about flowers needing to be changed out for fall and she would help supply the flowers if he can get the manpower to complete.

HEARING OF CITIZENS AND/OR DELEGATIONS:

Shannon Herron: been training for a 5k and noticed a lot of people driving have not been paying attention to walkers/runners/bikers and would like to see that the City does their due diligence to make an effort toward safety. Also wanted to see if the City would be up for the idea of hosting a 5k to allow for motorists to get used to walkers/runners/bikers.

Chief Terry reassuring we are addressing these issues as the calls come in. Please be sure to call in and let us know of any problems so we can address them accordingly.

Director Phipps: explaining that the biggest part of the problem of hosting a 5k would be the manpower to cover all the intersections to provide a safe travel plan for runners in 5k.

Audio Available

Lu Chapman-Jowles

Motion was made by Mayor Fowler to adjourn meeting. Second was voiced by Councilman Bilbrey. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm

Attest: anna L Walker

City Recorder

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