

**WESTOVER CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
January 17, 2023**

The meeting of the Council of the City of Westover, Alabama was held in the City Hall in Westover, Alabama at 6:30 p.m. on January 17, 2023.

Call To Order

Mayor Riggins called the meeting to order.

Roll Call – Clerk Meacham

Upon roll call, the Mayor declared a quorum present and the regular session opened for transaction of business.

In Attendance

Mayor: Larry Riggins – Councilmembers: Roberta Stamp, Wayne Jones, Dr. Jay Crisman, Susan Lane and Annette Tyler.

Absent

None

Invocation

The invocation was given by Councilmember Mayor Riggins.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was led by Mayor Riggins.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Riggins discussed and distributed a copy of the Chelsea High School Master Plan in pre-meeting. The City of Westover is being asked to participate in this project. A Public Hearing will be held at Chelsea City Hall on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Council is invited to attend and also, if unable to attend the City of Chelsea Face Book page will have the Public Hearing Live.

The Westover Day In the Park planning meeting will be held at Mt. Tabor Annex, Thursday, January 19, 2023 and included in the discussion is to change the name to Westover Day and the possibility of changing the location.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The pre-meeting minutes of January 3, 2023 were presented for adoption.

A motion was made by Councilmember Roberta Stamp to adopt the pre-meeting minutes of January 3, 2023.

A second was made by Councilmember Wayne Jones.

The pre-meeting minutes of January 3, 2023 were adopted unanimously as presented.

The regular meeting minutes for January 3, 2023 were presented for adoption.

A motion was made by Councilmember Annette Tyler to adopt the regular meeting minutes of January 3, 2023

A second was made by Councilmember Roberta Stamp.

The January 3, 2023 regular meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The December Treasurer's report was distributed in pre-meeting and will be presented at our next meeting.

The January 17, 2023 bank balances were distributed in pre-meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY** – Councilmember Susan Lane
Business Development – The 2023 Westover Business Alliance Winter Meeting will be as follows:

Date & Time: January 26th from 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Location: The Church at Chelsea Westover - 9474 Hwy 55

Topic: Saving Lives - ShelbyALert & Legacy of Hope

New EMA Director Michael Asdell

Keynote Speaker: New EMA Director Michael Asdel and Hub Harvey

Special Guest: Abby Litovsky with Legacy of Hope

Sponsors: SuperiorScape/Steel City Metal & The Church at CW

Lunch: The Local Oyster House sponsored by SuperiorScape & Steel City Metal

Speed Round Introductions, Community News, Announcements, and Door Prizes

As always, there is no fee to attend, and RSVP is not required.

Follow us on Facebook and watch your e-mail for more details!

Skiers Marine will have their Boats at the BJCC Birmingham Boat Show

January 19th – 22nd, 2023

Rambo Marine will have an in-house boat show January 19th - 22nd, 2023. Stop by and say hello or purchase a boat!

Please email Susan Lane with information for "Our Westover" digital newsletter. There will be a valentine spotlight if you would like a picture in the spotlight please send them via email.

Public Safety – The Shelby County Sheriff's Office wants me to remind citizens "hide it, lock it, keep it..."

Also, 911 wants me to remind citizens to properly label your mailbox.

B. **EDUCATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Councilmember Annette Tyler
Education – No report

Public Relations – The “2023 Shelby County Business Outlook Conference & Annual Meeting” will be held Wednesday, January 25, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Development Services Building. The cost is \$25.00 for non-member investors and \$10.00 for member investors.

The Business After Hours will be held at Smiley Brothers Specialty Foods on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

The Shelby County Comprehensive Plan Presentation meeting will be held Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Pelham Services Building and Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Highway 280 Services Building.

- A. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM – Councilmember Annette Tyler
Library – Shelby County has a new system for library books to be checked in and out and Councilmember Tyler will be attending a training class this Monday, January 23, 2023.

Seniors – The Seniors are doing the Wii bowling and also sewing projects.

- B. ANNEXATION AND ZONING – Councilmember Wayne Jones – No Report
- E. PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY - Councilmember Dr. Jay Crisman reported two national health observances this month. The first one is Cervical Health Month and for more information go to ncc-online.org. The second one is Blood Donor Month and for more information go to aabb.org. The triple-demic is COVID, influenza and RSV and cases are being reported so get the vaccine when available.
- F. SUBDIVISIONS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Councilmember Roberta Stamp – No Report

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Governmental Utilities Services Corporation - Councilmember Annette Tyler – No Report

Planning Commission – Chairman Ed Stowell – Absent

Attorney – Mr. William Justice – Absent

Board of Zoning – Chairman Joe Smith – Absent

One week from this Thursday Board of Zoning annual meeting is to be held.

Westover Fire Department - Chief Micah Woodley – Absent

Mayor Riggins reported the 2007 Fire Truck Pumper was approved at the purchase price \$30,000.00. A deposit of \$5000.00 was wired on January 11, 2023 and the remainder of \$25,000.00 will be wired in the morning to complete the transaction. The shipping will be \$7,377.00.

Fire Chief Woodley is still working on getting bids for the Generator project.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Riggins distributed a copy of the Chelsea High School Master Plan and discussed in pre-meeting. Mayor Riggins informed the Council they are invited to attend the Public Hearing next Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at Chelsea City Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The next steps associated with the City of Westover's participation is to get firm numbers from revenue collections and projections by their Accountant and by our Auditing firm and we will have a firmer number before talking to a Bond Counselor and Investment Bankers.

Mayor Riggins signed a 2023 Human Trafficking Proclamation and it was distributed in pre-meeting. It is not necessary for the Council to approve this proclamation.

READING OF PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. - None

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Annette Tyler thanked Chief Woodley, Mayor Riggins and Edmund Lane for installing the new Television for the Seniors at Mt. Tabor Annex.

Councilmember Wayne Jones asked if there is a timeline for the Chelsea High School Master Plan funding to make an agreement and the decision to move forward. Mayor Riggins does not know of a date but the City of Westover may be asked to do a letter of intent for this project. A Bond Attorney will have to counsel and write bond in detail.

Councilmember Dr. Crisman asked everyone to attend the Westover Business Alliance next Thursday, January 26, 2023.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Roberta Stamp to adjourn.

A second was made by Councilmember Dr. Crisman.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Submitted by,

Larry Riggins, Mayor

Bonnie Meacham, City Clerk - Treasurer