



**WESTOVER CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
May 16, 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 May 16, 2023.

**Call To Order**

Mayor Riggins called the meeting to order.

**Roll Call** – Clerk Meacham

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

**In Attendance**

Mayor: Larry Riggins; Councilmembers: Roberta Stamp, Wayne Jones, Susan Lane and Annette Tyler.

**Absent**

Councilmember: Dr. Jay Crisman

**Invocation**

The invocation was given by Mayor Riggins.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge was led by Mayor Riggins.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

John DeLoach and Wayne Barber, Certified Public Accounts, presented the 2022 Fiscal Year Audit results to the City Council during the pre-meeting.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The pre-meeting minutes of May 2, 2023 were presented for adoption.

A motion was made by Councilmember Susan Lane to adopt the pre-meeting minutes of May 2, 2023.

A second was made by Councilmember Annette Tyler.

The pre-meeting minutes of May 2, 2023 were adopted unanimously as presented.

The regular meeting minutes for May 2, 2023 were presented for adoption.

A motion was made by Councilmember Susan Lane to adopt the regular meeting minutes of May 2, 2023.

A second was made by Councilmember Annette Tyler.

The May 2, 2023 regular meeting minutes were adopted unanimously as presented.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The 2023 March Year-To-Date Treasurer's report were distributed in pre-meeting. Mayor Riggins asked for a motion to adopt the 2023 March Year-to-Date Treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Councilmember Susan Lane to adopt the 2023 March Year-To-Date Treasurer's report

A second by Councilmember Wayne Jones.

The motion to adopt the 2023 March Year-To-Date Treasurer's report was adopted unanimously.

The May 16, 2023 bank balances were distributed in pre-meeting.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilmember Susan Lane  
Business Development – The newsletter will publish in June.  
Keep it local, it matters.

Public Safety – The CSX railroad is in town making repairs and will let us know when Highway 51 and 55 crossings are closed. Appreciate the CSX working with us.

B. EDUCATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS – Councilmember Annette Tyler

Education – No Report

Public Relations – The Shelby County Chamber of Commerce will host the following:

“Ready To Shred” meeting to be held Thursday, May 18, 2023 at the Pelham Civic Complex.

The annual “Small Business Luncheon Awards” will be held Wednesday, May 24, 2023 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Pelham Civic Complex.

C. LIBRARY AND SENIOR PROGRAM – Councilmember Annette Tyler

Library – The Library has received new books from Harrison Regional Library.

Seniors – The Seniors continue to meet every Wednesday at Mt. Tabor Annex.

- D. ANNEXATION AND ZONING – Councilmember Wayne Jones  
A request was made for a Mobile Home replacement located on Highway 51 and we are waiting for more details of the specifications of the newer Mobile Home. The owners are cleaning up the property as well.
- E. PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY - Councilmember Dr. Jay Crisman - Absent
- F. SUBDIVISIONS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Councilmember Roberta Stamp – No Report

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Governmental Utilities Services Corporation - Councilmember Annette Tyler – No Report

Planning Commission – Chairman Randy Wiggins – Absent

A work session will be held Thursday, May 18, 2023 at Mt. Tabor Annex to discuss zoning changes.

Attorney – Mr. William Justice – Absent

Board of Zoning – Chair Pro Tem Jeff Muzer – Absent

Councilmember Roberta Stamp announced the next Board of Zoning work session will be held on Thursday, June 8, 2023.

Westover Fire Department - Chief Micah Woodley – Distributed a handout with details.

Fire Chief Woodley asked the Council for a pay increase for the Fire Department employees. The surrounding area Fire Departments have already increased their salaries. This causes staffing problems with our current firemen staying with Westover. A projection of a current salary increase, as well as, to include in our 2023 – 2024 Budget will be given to Mayor Riggins.

Councilmember Susan Lane asked Mayor Riggins the status on the Retirement System and Mayor Riggins replied that the cost is \$140,000.00 and the City cannot afford at this time. Councilmember Lane asked how many employees does this include and Mayor Riggins replied twenty employees. Fire Chief Woodley stated currently there are sixteen on staff. Mayor Riggins stated it would cost approximately \$200,000.00 annually.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Riggins reported the Spectrum phone system contract has been signed and a proposed date for installation will be determined.

Mayor Riggins stated a meeting was held today with Wayne Morris, Visual Media. Mr. Morris demonstrated the updated website for the City of Westover and will launch soon.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

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

**MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS** - None

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Wayne Jones “thanked” Mayor Riggins, Councilmembers Annette Tyler and Roberta Stamp for their attendance at the League Convention.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Councilmember Susan Lane to adjourn.

A second was made by Councilmember Wayne Jones.

The motion to adjourn was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Larry Riggins, Mayor

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Bonnie Meacham, City Clerk - Treasurer