

Minutes of the Westover Town Council November 21, 2006

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Westover, Alabama is held in the Town of Westover, Town Hall in Westover, Alabama at 7:00 p.m. on November 21, 2006, at the regular place for such regular sessions.

Upon roll call, the Mayor declares a Quorum present and the regular session open for transaction of business.

In attendance are: Councilmembers, Luke Dorough, Jeanne Champion Fisch, Larry Riggins, Annette Tyler, and Mayor Mark McLaughlin

ABSENT: Susan Strickland

Invocation: Councilmember Annette Tyler, with Mayor McLaughlin leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor McLaughlin reads the council's disclaimer:

The Town Council of Westover thanks you for attending tonight's meeting and would like to remind everyone the following:

Anyone desiring to be on the agenda will notify the Mayor no later than ten business days prior to the following scheduled meeting. All guests are limited to three minutes unless extended by a majority of the Council. All guest speakers will speak only to the subject scheduled on the agenda. Any questions or clarifications will be addressed to the Mayor and the ruling of the Mayor will be final. Again, thank you for attending and your understanding, patience and cooperation. We look forward to a productive meeting.

The Mayor announces the following:

Conservation Easements, Smart Code as a possible overlay, Conservation Subdivisions, and Westover Subdivision Regulations are being researched and are all at some stage of review.

Weather siren is operational

COPS Program/ Neighborhood Watch program

280 Access Management Plan is ongoing

The town's website is www.westoveralabama.org

Use the town's voicemail, 678-3375

Looking to increase the sheriff's contract by adding officers as we move forward

Working on infrastructure issues

Thanks everyone for their patience with the work being done at town hall

Christmas Parade December 9, 2006, at 10 a.m.

Ms. Stacy Walkup from the South Shelby Chamber of Commerce spoke briefly to the council concerning the activities of the Chamber

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from November 7, 2006, are presented by the mayor, with a motion by Councilmember Tyler and a second by Councilmember Riggins to accept. Councilmember Riggins moves to make the following corrections from minutes, from approved by Tyler with a second by Riggins to motion presented by Riggins with Tyler seconding the motion. Councilmember Tyler agreed with the correction.

Being no further discussion, the motion is put to a vote and it is approved by unanimous vote.

FINANCE REPORT

Clerk Jones-Presented October 2006 Financial Report to Council.

Councilmember Riggins moved to accept Financial Report with a second by Councilmember Tyler.

Being no further discussion, the motion is put to a vote and it is approved by unanimous vote.

Reports of Standing Committees

ANNEXATION AND DEVELOPMENT -Councilmember Riggins-No report

PUBLIC SAFETY - Councilmember Strickland-Absent

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS - Councilmember Tyler-
Public Relations-December 1, 2006 at 7pm, will be “Reading with Santa” at the
town hall and refreshments will follow.

Christmas Parade-will be December 9th, and staging will be at Mt. Zion Baptist
Church. Food will be provided at the staging area.

Senior Program-will be December 13th, at 10a.m. with a Christmas Program and
Party.

Columbiana, Vincent, Westover, Lay Lake, and Chelsea will be holding
Christmas Parades in December.

SUBDIVISION AND ZONING - Councilmember Champion Fisch-No Report

PUBLIC WORKS – Councilmember Luke Dorough-No Report

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Parks and Recreation: Councilmember Champion Fisch-The park is still under
construction and should be completed by the end of the year. Testing for the weather
siren is the first Wednesday of the month at 10am.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

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Chair, Mr. Larry Riggins-No Report

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Buzz Ingle-Absent

HISTORICAL AND BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

Historical Commission-Councilmember Tyler-No report

Beautification- Councilmember Tyler-The Christmas Yard Award will be
presented December 16th.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Mr. Bill Justice- No Report

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Board member Connie Kennedy-Board procedure will be the topic on December 14th at the town hall.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion to approve an Agreement between the Town of Westover and the South Shelby Chamber of Commerce is presented by Champion Fisch with a second by Riggins.

Councilmember Riggins asks if this is a budgeted item and it is so.

Being no further discussion the motion is put to a vote and motion passes with unanimous vote.

READING OF PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Public Hearing for Planning Commission Recommendation to Re-zone Property from Residential Neighborhood (RN) to Agricultural Preserve (AP), known as the Brannen Property.

Public Hearing opened and closed with no one speaking on the subject

Dr. Sara A. Pfister
623 Asland Forest
Harpersville, AL 35078
Shared Technology and Public Use areas in Eastern Shelby County

Dr. Roswell Pfister
Absent

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

Clerk Jones reads into the minutes for the second reading, a proposed Ordinance, To Promote the Public Health, Safety and General Welfare by Minimizing Public and Private Losses due to Flood Conditions.

The mayor states this ordinance is a result of the FEMA study and will allow residents to purchase flood insurance.

A roll call vote is taken and the vote is as follows:

AYES: Champion Fisch, Riggins, Tyler, Dorough, McLaughlin

ABSENT: Strickland

The mayor declares the Ordinance passing and adopted by the Council

The clerk reads into the minutes An Ordinance Rezoning Property from RN to AP. This is known as the Brannen property.

Councilmember Riggins moves to suspend the rules of order with as second by Champion Fisch. A roll call vote is taken at this time and the vote is as follows:

AYES: Champion Fisch, Riggins, Tyler

NAYS: Dorough

ABSENT: Strickland

The mayor declared motion failing to suspend rules and the ordinance will be presented at the next council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Being no council comments the mayor entertains a motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Riggins with a second by Councilmember Tyler moves to adjourn.

The motion is put to a vote and motion carries with unanimous vote. The mayor declares council adjourned.

Submitted by,

Town Clerk

Mayor, Mark McLaughlin