

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF ETOWAH

CITY OF RAINBOW CITY- COUNCIL MEETING-APRIL 28, 2025

The City Council of the City of Rainbow City, Alabama, met in regular session at City Hall at 5:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Rev. Gary Cardwell. Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Taylor and upon roll call by City Clerk, Beth Lee, the following members answered present: Anita Bedwell, Randy Vice, Jeff Prince, Jameson Jenkins, Clark Hopper, and Mayor Taylor. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted.

1. Mayor Taylor presented the minutes of the regular Council meeting of April 14, 2025 and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Clark Hopper made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
2. Mayor Taylor presented the following personnel changes:
  - Hire Eoin Hammonds as a Certified Police Officer, effective Friday, May 9, 2025.
  - Accept the resignation of Bobby Smith, Street Dept. effective Friday, May 2, 2025.Anita Bedwell made a motion to approve these personnel changes. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
4. Anita Bedwell made a motion to authorize Fire Chief Tim McKee to sign the Automatic Aid Fire Suppression Agreement between the Town of Steele and the City of Rainbow City. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
5. Mayor Taylor presented Ordinance No. 604 – Sell Unneeded Real Property Described as Lots 36, 37, and 38 (total of 22.95 acres) in the Lumley Road Research and Industrial Park to RBC, A Series LLC of PCD for \$68,850.00. Jameson Jenkins moved and Jeff Prince seconded the motion to introduce the ordinance. Jeff Prince moved and Anita Bedwell seconded the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes
Mayor Taylor	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried. Jameson Jenkins moved and Anita Bedwell seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 604. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes
Mayor Taylor	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

6. Mayor Taylor presented Ordinance No. 605 – Open Burning Regulation and Permitting. Randy Vice moved and Clark Hopper seconded the motion to introduce the ordinance. Anita Bedwell moved and Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes
Mayor Taylor	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried. Jeff Prince moved and Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 605. Mayor Taylor asked for a roll call vote as follows:

Anita Bedwell	Yes
Randy Vice	Yes
Jeff Prince	Yes
Jameson Jenkins	Yes
Clark Hopper	Yes
Mayor Taylor	Yes

Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.

7. Randy Vice made a motion to surplus the following items in the Library and to open sealed bids on Monday, May 12, 2025.
- 1-48” round oak table with laminate top
  - 6-oak chairs
  - 1-oak frame fabric covered bench (about 51 ½” wide)
- Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
8. Mayor Taylor presented a donation request for the Etowah Community Heritage Festival to be held on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at The Amphitheater beginning at 4:00 p.m. Randy Vice made a motion to donate \$1,200.00. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
9. Mayor Taylor recognized Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent of the Etowah County Schools System. Dr. Cosby spoke about the Special School Tax Election scheduled for May 20, 2025. This is not a new tax, an additional tax, or an increase in taxes but a tax renewal that is voted on every 20 years. All funds from this tax stay in the Etowah County Schools.
10. Kenneth Payne gave a report on the Lions Club Pancake Day. 550 people were served in Rainbow City. Kenneth also gave a report on Clean Up Day where 180 bags were collected.

**Announcements**

- Saturday, May 17, 2025 – Kayak Launch at Rainbow Landing at 9:30 a.m.
- Monday-Wednesday – Farmer’s Market opens from 7:00 a.m. - Noon

There being no further business to come before the Council, Jameson Jenkins made a motion to adjourn. Time Adjourned: 5:30 p.m.

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Beth Lee, City Clerk

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Joe Taylor, Mayor