**STATE OF ALABAMA**

**COUNTY OF ETOWAH**

**CITY OF RAINBOW CITY-COUNCIL MEETING-July 9, 2018**

**The City Council of the City of Rainbow City, Alabama, met in regular session at City Hall at 5:00 p.m., and upon roll call by City Clerk, Beth Lee, the following members answered present: Mayor Terry John Calhoun, Anita Bedwell, Bobby McCartney, Tim Ramsey, and Rick Hill. Larry Keenum-Absent. The same constituting a quorum of the City Council, the following business was transacted. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Calhoun. Invocation was given by Tim Ramsey. Mayor Calhoun led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun presented the minutes of regular Council Meeting of June 25, 2018 and Special Meeting of June 29, 2018 for review, and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Rick Hill made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Bobby McCartney seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
2. **Mayor Calhoun presented Ordinance No. 530-the annexation of approximately 144 acres purchased by Rainbow City joining the VLMSC to be zoned Highway Commercial District. Mayor asked if anyone was for or against this annexation. Mayor Calhoun stated a Public Hearing was held on June 25, 2018. Tim Ramsey moved and Rick Hill seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 530. Mayor Calhoun asked for a roll call as follows:**

**Anita Bedwell Yes**

**Bobby McCartney Yes**

**Tim Ramsey Yes**

**Larry Keenum Absent**

**Rick Hill Yes**

**Mayor declared the motion carried.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun received a request for a new street light with Alabama Power at the intersection of Capstone Subdivision and Lumley Road. The Council approved the request on the condition that an existing pole can be used. Mayor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
2. **Mayor Calhoun presented the resignation of Kevin Ashley, effective July 20, 2018. Anita Bedwell moved and Tim Ramsey seconded the motion to accept the resignation. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
3. **Chief Horton recommends promoting Officer John Ramsey to Sergeant and Justin Plunkett to Sergeant with a 5% pay increase effective Friday, July 13, 2018. Rick Hill moved and Anita Bedwell seconded the motion. Tim Ramsey stated for the record that he is not related to Officer John Ramsey. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor declared the motion carried.**
4. **Chief Horton recommends hiring Matt Thacker as a Certified Police Officer at the rate of $14.50/hr. with family coverage insurance to start Friday, July 13, 2018. Rick Hill moved and Bobby McCartney seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
5. **Mayor Calhoun presented a budget revision for the Animal Control. Increase budget items (450-265, 180, and 325) and decrease items (450-115, 190, 300, and 310). Tim Ramsey moved and Anita Bedwell seconded the motion to approve the budget revision. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
6. **Mayor Calhoun recognized Sherry Buckner. She spoke on behalf of Fanell Williams and Alice Bircheat who own property on Joham joining 111 Robinwood Court. Triple J Development LLC (Joey Wells) has purchased 111 Robinwood Court and with construction has presented water issues for Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Bircheat. Discussion followed. Mrs. Buckner asked that the records show that Wiley McLain, Building Official, will contact her when Mr. Jim Turnbach reviews Ordinance No. 490 and makes a recommendation.**
7. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following donation requests:**
* **Greater Etowah 310 Board - $1,200.00**
* **Unique Choices - $750.00**
* **Southside High School Yearbook – Full page ad $150.00**

**Rick Hill moved and Tim Ramsey seconded the motion for these requests. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**

1. **Mayor Calhoun asked the records show that the monthly departmental reports had been received.**
2. **Tim Ramsey requested to purchase two (2) additional recycling trailers. Anita Bedwell seconded the motion for the purchase. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
3. **Anita Bedwell made a motion to purchase a new Gradall from Tractor & Equipment for the Street Department for $255,635.00 and finance through Exchange Bank at a rate of 4.74%. NJPA Excavator Contract # 031014. Tim Ramsey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Calhoun declared the motion carried.**
4. **Mayor Calhoun presented the following announcements:**
* **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – Run-off Election. Vote 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.**
* **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – Ribbon Cutting 12:00 p.m. at “All About You Kids Day Spa” located in Rainbow Plaza Suites 259 & 260**
* **July 20-22 - Back to School Tax Free Weekend**

**There being no further business to come before the Council, Anita Bedwell made a**

**motion to adjourn.**

**Time adjourned: 5:40 p.m.**

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 **Beth Lee, City Clerk/Treasurer**

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 **Terry John Calhoun, Mayor**