

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF ETOWAH

CITY OF RAINBOW CITY- COUNCIL MEETING-APRIL 8, 2024

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 Anita Bedwell. 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 March 25, 2024 and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, Jeff Prince made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Randy Vice seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
2. Mayor Taylor stated sealed bids were opened for the surplus items in Recreation, Library, and Administration. One bid was received for the four (4) pitching mounds in the Recreation Dept. from Brant Tankersley for \$200.00. Randy Vice made the motion to award the bid of \$200.00 for the four (4) pitching mounds. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
3. Mayor Taylor presented the following personnel change:
  - Accept the resignation of Linda Cleveland, Director of Revenue, effective Tuesday, March 26, 2024.Jameson Jenkins made a motion to approve this personnel change. Jeff Prince seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
4. Mayor Taylor presented Resolution No. 24-10 – Authorize Mayor Taylor to sign the Tax Abatement Agreement for Loading Automation, Inc. to be located at 661 Sutton Bridge Road. Abate all state and local noneducational property taxes (approx. \$5,428.00) and all construction related transaction taxes, except those local construction related transaction taxes levied for educational purposes or for capital improvements for education (approx. \$1,418.75). Randy Vice made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 24-10. 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 a budget revision – Police – Increase due to a Norfolk Southern grant for digital speed signs and reimbursement from BVP Grant (Vest partnership)
  - Capital Outlay (Acct.# 01-430-400) - \$14,891.00
  - Equip. & Tools (Acct.# 01-430-180) - \$1,337.00Jeff Prince made a motion to approve the budget revisions. Jameson Jenkins seconded the motion. Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.
6. Mayor Taylor presented Proclamation No. 24-05 – Rainbow Middle School 2023-2024 Quiz Bowl Team. Quiz Bowl Coach Michelle Sanders stated that the team (6 members) will attend the NAQT Nationals in Chicago in May.
7. Mayor Taylor presented the departmental reports from Animal Control, Building, Community Center, Court, Fire, Library and Police.
8. Jameson Jenkins made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the RMS Quiz Bowl Team to attend Nationals in Chicago. Jeff Prince seconded the motion.

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**Mayor Taylor stated all in favor say aye. All ayes. Randy Vice-Abstained. Mayor Taylor declared the motion carried.**

**9. Kenneth Payne reported on the Lions Club Pancake Day stating that over 600 people were served that day. The Boy Scout Troop 92, 22 students from the Southside High School Leo Club along with the Mayor and Council members volunteered to make it a great success.**

**10. Mayor Taylor stated that one element of Economic Development is the value in our education system and Rainbow City was fortunate to have great schools. He also stated that today was Eclipse Day.**

**Announcements:**

- **RSVP Free Tax Program last day will be Wednesday April 10, 2024 from 11:30 – 3:30 p.m. in the Community Center.**
- **Saturday, May 4, 2024 – Rainbow City Clean Up Day**
- **Monday, June 3, 2024 – Farmer’s Market begins 7:00 – Noon, Mondays & Wednesdays**

**There being no further business to come before the Council, Jameson Jenkins made a motion to adjourn. Time Adjourned: 5:24 p.m.**

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**Beth Lee, City Clerk**

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**Joe Taylor, Mayor**