

The City Council of the City of Tuskegee met in regular session on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. in the L.M. Gregg Auditorium at the Municipal Complex located at 101 Fonville Street, Tuskegee, Alabama.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Johnny Ford.
2. **INVOCATION.** Stanley Maxwell.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Repeated in Unison.
4. **ROLL CALL.** Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Johnny Ford  
Mayor Pro-Tempore Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.  
Council Member Ala Whitehead  
Council Member Georgette White Moon  
Council Member Frank Christopher Lee, II

**All Members of the Council were present for this Meeting.**

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept and approve the agenda as circulated. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** (October 11, 2016)

A. Minutes from the Canvass of Run-Off Election Results

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve the minutes as circulated with any necessary corrections. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

B. Minutes from City Council Meeting

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept and approve the minutes as circulated with any necessary corrections. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

7. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Maurice Eaves & Booker Harris RE: Annexation for Mindingall Community
2. Melvin Adams RE: Chairman of Clean City Committee Schedule
3. Frank Dillman RE: Candidate for County Commission

8. **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.** (Mayor Johnny Ford)

- A. City Council Work Session.
- B. Announcements.
- C. Annexation: Mindingall Community.

9. **SGA /OTHER AGENCIES, ETC. COMMUNICATIONS.** NONE.

10. **CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS.** James W. Harper, City Manager.

- **6:30 PM Public Hearing FY2017 Budget.**

- A. Council Updates / Concerns.
- B. Street Maintenance Report.
- C. Financial Report.

Motion was made by Council Member Moon to receive the financial report as circulated. Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

D. Dollar General Store #16918: Application for Alcoholic Beverage License

6:30 PM Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to start the public hearing regarding the alcoholic Beverage license for Dollar General Store #16918. Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

Citizens speaking for alcoholic beverage license for Dollar General Store #16918: NONE

Citizens speaking against alcoholic beverage license for Dollar General Store #16918: NONE

6:33 PM Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to end the public hearing regarding the FY2017 Budget. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to approve the alcoholic beverage license for Dollar General Store #16918. Mayor Ford seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

E. Head Start Report:

1. Executive Director's Report (Sept. 2016)
2. Revenue & Expenditure Report including Credit Card Report (Sept. 2016)
3. Monthly Summary of Meals and Snacks Provided through USDA (Sept. 2016)
4. Enrollment and Attendance Report (Sept. 2016)
5. Enrollment Reduction Request FY17 Budget Adjustments.
6. Program Instruction (PL); Revised Head Start Program Performance Standards (HSPPS).

Motion was made by Council Member Moon to accept and approve the Head Start Report as circulated and presented by Nannette Phillips, Head Start Director. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

Motion was made by Council Member Moon to authorize the reduction enrollment to between 225 to 230 students and requesting to use the reduced funds in areas of the Head Start program where the quality can be increased. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

- Head Start Differential COLA Increase:

Motion was made by Council Member Moon to approve and authorize the Head Start Differential COLA increase for seven Head Start employees that were not close to the wage comparability study. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

F. Employee Recognitions: Public Works

- Retiree - Curtis Crayton “33 Years of Service”
- Retiree – Gregory Jones “19 Years of Service”

G. Announcements:

- Inauguration will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 9:00 AM
- Halloween Hours for trick-or-treating is 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM October 31, 2016

11. **ORDINANCES.**

12. **RESOLUTIONS:**

A. Resolution No. 2016-105. Thanking the Hon. Georgette White Moon for her 12 years of service.

Motion was made by Mayor Ford to accept and approve resolution number 2016-105 as stated thanking Hon. Georgette White Moon for her 12 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-105  
A Resolution Celebrating the Retirement**

**WHEREAS**, Georgette White Moon has been an invaluable member of the City Council since 2004 when she was elected to the City of Tuskegee’s City Council to represent Council District 3; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilwoman Moon as a native of Tuskegee has had an extensive knowledge of the City’s short- and long-term needs for the care and improvement of Tuskegee; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilwoman Moon came to the City Council after teaching for many years in Tuskegee, Washington, D.C., Denver, Colorado, Honolulu, Hawaii, and Okinawa, Japan; and

**WHEREAS**, while serving on the City Council Councilwoman Moon has represented District 3 with distinction; and

**WHEREAS**, her rich background has made her an invaluable resource and advisor as she has served as a liaison with Tuskegee Macon County Head Start; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilwoman Moon has also served as the Council’s representative on the Tuskegee Planning Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, during her twelve years on the City Council Councilwoman Moon has worked tirelessly to educate herself by becoming an Advanced Certified Municipal Official from the Alabama League of Municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, while Councilwoman Moon’s “work” roots have been firmly planted in the City’s bricks and mortar, her private side has Aspen, her granddaughter with whom she plans to spend more time; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilwoman Moon’s City friends and colleagues will miss her hard work and leadership on behalf of the City, and will miss her ready smile, her energy, and her happy outlook that have so often buoyed our spirits; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY ME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUSKEGEE:** That the Council hereby recognizes and thanks Georgette White Moon for her professional and personal dedication to the City of Tuskegee on the occasion of her retirement from the City Council.

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to spread this Proclamation and transmit a duly authenticated copy to Councilwoman Georgette White Moon.

In witness I have hereunto set my hands and caused this seal to be affixed.



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Johnny Ford, Mayor

B. Resolution No. 2016-106. Thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-106**

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Johnny Ford has provided leadership in the City of Tuskegee and served faithfully as the Mayor for more than 37 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Ford has always been concerned with the citizens of Tuskegee and Macon County; and

**WHEREAS**, Ford’s outreach in the community has extended to his involvement in the Tuskegee-Macon County Housing Authority, Macon County Community Action, and MCCRR, his membership in his Fraternity, Kappa Sigma Theta Inc. and Sigma Pi Phi Boule, his faithful membership in Mt Olive Missionary Baptist Church; a member of the Trustee Board of Knoxville College; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Ford has served on the Alabama League of Cities, The African American Mayor’s Association, among other organizations, and

**BE IT RESOLVED** on behalf of the City Council of the City of Tuskegee to honor Mayor Johnny Ford because of numerous years of service to the Macon County and the community that this day October 25, 2016 is

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Ford’s City friends and colleagues will miss his hard work and leadership on behalf of the City, and will miss his ready smile and his energy; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY ME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUSKEGEE:** That the Council hereby recognizes and thanks Mayor Johnny Ford for his professional and personal dedication to the City of Tuskegee on the occasion of his retirement from the City Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to spread this RESOLUTION and transmit a duly authenticated copy to Mayor Johnny Ford.

**Mayor Johnny Ford Day**  
in Tuskegee, Alabama

In witness I have hereunto set my hands and caused this seal to be affixed.

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Lawrence F. Haygood  
Mayor Pro Tempore and Mayor Elect

C. Resolution No. 2016-107. Renaming Greenfork Park to Georgette White Moon-Bulls Park.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

D. Resolution No. 2016-108. Renaming Shoreham Circle to Sarge Willie Whitehead Circle.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

E. Resolution No. 2016-109. Renaming Massey Street to Rev. Dr. Lawrence Haygood, Sr.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

F. Resolution No. 2016-110. Renaming Lake Tuskegee to Lake Tuskegee-Ford.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

G. Resolution No. 2016-111. Renaming Prestwood Circle to Johnny Ford Park.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve resolution number 2016-106 as stated thanking Hon. Johnny Ford for his 32 years of service. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

13. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.** *Gray, Langford, Sapp, McGowan, Gray, Gray & Nathanson.*

Atty. Gray stated that he continually work as called upon by the City Manager and other Dept. Heads with respect to litigated matters and continues to work with council to resolve the cases that he can resolve and continue with litigation on the other ones.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept the City Attorney's Report as presented. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood asked the City Attorney to have the outstanding invoices (what's totally owed) as of September 30, 2016 by the next city council meeting so that council will know the amount that's due and it will be helpful in planning the budget.

14. **OTHER BUSINESS / EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

5:37 PM Motion was made by Council Member Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood for Council to enter Executive Session. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

5:59 PM Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead for Council to come out of the Executive Session. Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to set the next regular council meeting for Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the regular time, 5:30 PM Work Session and 6:00 PM Council Meeting at the Municipal Complex in L.M. Gregg Auditorium. Council Member Lee seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

There being no further matters to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Whitehead moved to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Mayor Ford declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA



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Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk