CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA OFFICIAL MINUTES: SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020



The City Council of the City of Tuskegee met in Special Session on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 12:00 PM at the Municipal Complex, LM Gregg Auditorium, located at 101 Fonville Street, Tuskegee, Alabama.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.
- 2. INVOCATION. Ulysees L. Roberts.
- 3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Repeated in Unison.
- 4. **<u>ROLL CALL.</u>** Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk.

PRESENT

Mayor Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr. Council Member-at-Large Annie L. Brown Council Member Ala Whitehead Council Member Shirley W. Curry

ABSENT

Council Member Frank Christopher Lee, II

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Motion was made by Council Member Curry to accept and approve the agenda with the following additions: under Resolutions: item B) add a resolution for Ms. Floreida Madison, deceased. Council Member-at-Large Brown seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

- 6. **<u>DISCUSSION ITEMS.</u>** (Tony Haygood, Mayor & Kevin L. Owens, Temp. Acting City Manager)
 - A. State of Emergency related to the Coronavirus.
 - B. Other Matters.

7. **RESLOUTIONS:**

A. Resolution No. 2020-28. State of Emergency related to the coronavirus.

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to accept and approve resolution number 2020-28 declaring a state of emergency related to the coronavirus. Council Member-at-Large Brown seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-28 STATE OF EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency has been declared by the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Alabama urging immediate actions be taken to protect public employees and the citizens regarding the Coronavirus Pandemic and;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the employees and the citizens that the City Council of the City of Tuskegee provides for the immediate safety, welfare, and protection of the public and our employees;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUSKEGEE as follows:

- 1. That an immediate STATE OF EMERGENCY IS DECLARED as of March 17, 2020 as of 12:00 (Noon);
- 2. That the City Council authorizes the City Manager, Kevin L. Owens or his designee to immediately assume full authority to prioritize the administration and the various departments' employees of the City into those who will be required to perform critical mandatory essential services for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and general public in the areas of police, fire protection and other emergency management services, and those employees, staff, and administration whose presence and work requirements shall be deemed non-critical and non-mandatory for essential services. The City Manager or his designee shall set the work schedules and requirements for both categories of employees and shall determine additional hazardous duty compensation for those who are required to work during this emergency period for a period of sixty days or until further Order from this Board.
- 3. The Council hereby orders that the public lobbies and public customer services areas in all City of Tuskegee governmental facilities be closed to the public as of March 18, 2020 at 12:00 (Noon) and that customer service to City of Tuskegee citizens be performed through the drive-through facilities located at the Tuskegee Municipal Complex and other facilities so equipped only.
- 4. That the City Manager shall take such other and different actions, as he or his designee, in his prudent discretion, deems to be proper under the circumstances.
- 5. That the provisions of this Declaration shall be effective for a period of sixty days from the date of its enactment.

Adopted and Approved this 17th day of March, 2020.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA /s/ Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr. Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: <u>/s/ Fartima B. Clark</u> Fartima B. Clark, City Clark

8. **RESOLUTIONS:**

A. Resolution No. 2020-29. Celebrating and remembering the Life of Floreida Madison, deceased.

Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to approve resolution number 2020-29 celebrating and remembering the life of Floreida Madison, deceased. Council Member Curry seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-29 Celebrating and Remembering the Life of Floreida Madison, deceased

WHEREAS, of all beautiful things in life, the most beautiful, is character, and he who possesses a beautiful character is worthy of notice. A beautiful life is the fruit of a beautiful character. She, of whom we speak is Floreida Madison; and

WHEREAS, with a lasting gratitude for her exemplary life, her tireless and unselfish labor among us; the good she did, the things she taught and the inspiration we imbibed; we dedicate this hour;

WHEREAS, as Mayor and on behalf of the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, we recognize a life well lived; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by me as the Mayor of the City of Tuskegee and the City Council of the City of Tuskegee as follows: (1) that the above recitals are true and correct; (2) that we mourn the death of Floreida Madison and express sympathy to her family and friends; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to spread this Resolution and transmit a duly authenticated copy to the family of Floreida Madison.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama, this 17th day of March, 2020.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA /s/ Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr. Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: <u>/s/ Kevin L. Owens</u> Kevin L. Owens, Temp. Acting City Manager

9. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further matters to come before the Council at this time, Mayor Pro-Tempore Brown moved to adjourn at 12:45 PM. Mayor Haygood declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk