

The City Council of the City of Tuskegee met in **Special Session on Thursday, December 19, 2019**, at 11:24 AM in the Meeting Room on the 2nd Floor at the Municipal Complex located at 101 Fonville Street, Tuskegee, Alabama.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.
2. **INVOCATION.** Repeated the Lord's Prayer in Unison.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Repeated in Unison.
4. **ROLL CALL.** Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk.

PRESENT

Mayor Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.
Council Member-at-Large Annie M. 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 approve the agenda as circulated with the following additions: add Airport Matters, Employee Payroll, Proposal to increase Municipal Court Costs, Budget resolution and city limits. Council Member-at-Large Brown seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

6. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** (Ulysees Roberts, Temporary Acting City Manager/Tony Haygood, Mayor)

- A. Audit Confirmation for year ending 09/30/2019. (FY2019 Banks, Finley, White & Co.)
- B. City Manager Selections.
- C. Airport Matters.
- D. Proposal for increasing court cost. (Municipal Court) - *Council tabled this item until next meeting.*
- E. Budget Resolution. *Council will have a working session on the City's finances.*

7. **RESOLUTIONS:**

- A. Resolution No. 2020-12. Appointing the auditors, Banks, Finley, White & Co. to perform an audit for the FY2019 year ending September 30, 2019.

Motion was made by Council Member-at-Large Brown to approve the audit contract for auditing services not to exceed a fee of \$75,000.00 and \$6,500 for Head Start Program plus out-of-pocket cost for travel for the year ending September 30, 2019. Council Member Curry seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12

A resolution authorizing and approving the Auditor's Contract of BANKS, FINLEY, WHITE & CO., Certified Public Accountants to perform auditing services for the FY2019

WHEREAS, the City of Tuskegee is in need of an audit for the 2019 Fiscal Year; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to approve and authorize the Auditor's Contract with **BANKS, FINLEY, WHITE & CO.**, Certified Public Accountants for auditing services for the 2019 Fiscal Year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1: That the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best interest of the City to authorize the Contract with **BANKS, FINLEY, WHITE & CO.**, Certified Public Accountants to perform Auditing Services for the 2019 Fiscal Year for the City of Tuskegee.

Section 2: That **BANKS, FINLEY, WHITE & CO.**, Certified Public Accountants will perform auditing services for a fee not to exceed \$75,000 dollars for the City of Tuskegee and \$6,500.00 for the Head Start Program plus out-of-pocket cost for travel for the year ending September 30, 2019.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama, this 19th day of December, 2019.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

/s/ Lawrence "Tony" Haygood

Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Fartima B. Clark

Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk

B. Resolution No. 2020-13. Appointing Kevin L. Owens as Temporary Acting City Manager.

Motion was made by Council Member-at-Large Brown to make an offer to Kevin L. Owens for THE position of Temporary Acting City Manager for a period of 120 days at a pay rate of \$80,000.00 per year. Council Member Curry seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Haygood declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

A Resolution Appointing Kevin L. Owens as Temporary Acting City Manager for the City of Tuskegee

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy in the position of City Manager of the City of Tuskegee, the City Council of the City of Tuskegee appointed a Temporary Acting City Manager on August 28, 2019 by adopting Resolution 2019-59 and;

WHEREAS, the City Council has now selected a candidate to become the successor Temporary Acting City Manager of the City of Tuskegee in compliance with Section 11-43A-18 of the Code of Alabama 1975 as amended;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Tuskegee appoints **KEVIN L. OWENS** as the Temporary Acting City Manager of the City of Tuskegee for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days, at a salary of Eighty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$80,000.00) per year, effective immediately and pending satisfactory results from the background check.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama at its duly called Special Meeting on the 19th day of December, 2019.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

/s/ Lawrence "Tony" Haygood

Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Fartima B. Clark

Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further matters to come before the Council at this time, Council Member-at-Large Brown moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:28 Noon. Mayor Haygood declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

ATTEST:

Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr., Mayor

Fatima B. Clark, City Clerk