

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
TUESDAY August 19, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Ozark, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Complex at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday **August 19, 2025**. Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Mark Blankenship, Mayor
Brenda Simechak, Council President, Place No. 4
Leah Harlow, Councilmember, Place No. 1
Les Perault, Councilmember, Place No. 2
Winston T. Jackson, Councilmember, Place No. 3
Stanley Enfinger, Councilmember, Place No. 5

Absent:

Also present: Chris Peters, who acted as clerk of the meeting, Deputy Chief Michael Bryan, Joseph McNabb, Rebecca Buckland, Heather Jordan, Beth Grider, Kelly Johnson, Ozzie Maianeto, Heather Cohen and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Harlow gave the prayer followed by Mayor Blankenship leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council having read the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on **August 5, 2025** President Simechak asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on **August 5, 2025** which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Simechak advised the Council that it was time to set the Agenda. Councilmember Perault made a motion to set the Agenda as presented, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson introduced a Resolution Declaring Certain Properties a Public Nuisance at 694 Deese Rd and 1394 S. Union Ave and moved for its adoption which was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the FY2026 Budget which was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve the renewal of the Discovery Recovery Contract with Avenu which was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to set a Special City Council Meeting for September 2, 2025 at 12:00 PM to Canvass the Vote from the August 26, 2025 Municipal Election which was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Harlow made a motion to set a Public Hearing on September 2, 2025 at 5:00 PM for consideration of the revocation of business license for Namaste Hospitality LLC dba Choice Inn which was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the First & Second Reading Application 010 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I: Applicant: DA Spot 2 B LLC; Trade Name: DA Spot 2 B, 1394 US Highway 231 S. Suite 9, Ozark, AL 36360. Owner: Lawyer T. Lawson, Jr. 421 Smith Ave. Ozark, AL 36360, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Harlow made a motion to approve an unbudgeted purchase request for the Police Department for pistols(\$42,988.95) and bulletproof vests (\$21,670.00) which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to re-appoint Derek Dickens to the ODEDC Board which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Harlow made a motion to re-appoint Perry Pritchett to the Tree Board which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Simechak advised the Council that a Court Report and Financial Report were in their packets for review.

With there being no further business to come before this Regular Council Meeting of **August 19, 2025** Councilmember Jackson made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President

City Clerk