

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
TUESDAY, January 2, 2024**

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, January 2, 2024. 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, Director Charles Ward, Joseph McNabb, Heather Cohen and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Enfinger 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 December 19, 2023 President Simechak asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 19, 2023 which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to appoint Billy Blackwell to the Hospital Board, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Town of Newton for EMS Services, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve the purchase of two power stretchers for EMS Department, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Resolution to amend the Accounting Policy to allow for the City to award a subject contract to a resident responsible bidder whose bid is no more than five percent greater than the lowest bid died for a lack of motion.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with SetaTech to lease bays 120 & 121 and office suite 126 at the Ozark Technology Center in Ozark, AL for one year at \$1,425.25 per month with first month being prorated, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

With there being no further business to come before this Regular Council Meeting of January 16, 2024 Councilmember Perault made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President

City Clerk