

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
TUESDAY March 18, 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, **March 18, 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, Director Charles Ward, Deputy Chief Michael Bryan, Joseph McNabb, Heather Cohen and Joe Adams.

Councilmember Jackson 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 **March 4, 2025** President Simechak asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on **March 4, 2025** 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 Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Perault introduced an Ordinance to allow for permitting and regulating low speed vehicles (golf carts) on certain public streets and moved for its adoption which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the Second Reading Application 050 – Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 – Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only): Applicant: DolgenCorp LLC.; Trade Name: Dollar General Store 30890, 3039 Jernigan Road, Ozark, AL 36360. Owner: Emily C. Taylor, 1805 Otter Creek Road, Nashville, TN 37215; Zachary J. Brining, 1019 Morchella Private Way, Hendersonville, TN 27205; Kelly M. Dilts, 6108 Hickory Valley Road, Nashville, TN 27205, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approved the execution of a Wiregrass RC&D Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 for Military History Preservation Project CD202536 for the painting of tank and helicopter located on Hwy 231, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Harlow made a motion to award the Bid for the painting of tank and helicopter on Hwy 231 to John Wayne Ryals for an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson introduced a Resolution Appointing City Clerk to Supervise the Municipal Elections and to Serve as Absentee Elections Manager and moved for its adoption which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger introduced a Resolution setting compensation for the Absentee Elections Manager at \$100.00 per day and moved for its adoption which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to set a public hearing for April 1st, 2025 to discuss an Ordinance Establishing the use of Electronic Vote Counting Devices 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 **March 18, 2025** Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President

City Clerk