

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023**

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, June 6, 2023. 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, Chief Charles Ward, Joseph McNabb, Deputy Chief Michael Bryan, Tyler Hurst 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 May 16, 2023 President Simechak asked the wishes of the Council. Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 16, 2023, 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 with the removal of Item #5, a discussion of recommendations of three individuals to be presented for consideration of the Board of Equalization from Dale County to be tabled until next City Council meeting, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Enfinger. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to authorize Mayor Blankenship to execute a renewal lease with State of Alabama Department of Human Resources for rental of a 16,000 square foot facility located at 513 Carroll Ave. Ozark, AL at a rate of \$16,000.00 per annum paid in equal installments of \$1,333.33 per month, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to authorize Mayor Blankenship to execute a contract with Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce for use of the City owned Holman House with monetary contributions to the Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce at an amount of \$36,000 per year payable in monthly installments of \$3,000.00 for the twelve month period, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The vote was recorded as to wit: Ayes, Council President Simechak, Councilmember Perault, Councilmember Jackson, Councilmember Enfinger. Absentions, Councilmember Harlow. The motion carried.

Councilmember Perault made a motion to approve a Lease with James Counseling & Referral Services at the Ozark Technology Center in the amount of \$206 per month; Harper's Innovative Counseling & Consulting Services LLC at the Ozark Technology Center in the amount of \$206 per month; and a Lease Renewal with Strategic Live Sound LLC at the Ozark Technology Center in the amount of \$810 per month, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to authorize Mayor Blankenship to execute an IDC Web Services Agreement with Avenu, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Council President Simechak advised the Council that due to the National Holiday of July 4th falling on the first Tuesday in July, the July 4, 2023 City Council Meeting would need to be rescheduled. Councilmember Harlow made a motion to reschedule the meeting for July 11th, 2023, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Enfinger made a motion to approve the purchase of a new door for the Piggly Wiggly grocery store located at Union Central in the amount of \$13,925.00, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Harlow. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the allowance of a Warrant Officer Museum be established in the Holman House, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Perault. 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 June 6, 2023, 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