

STATE OF ALABAMA)
CITY OF ONEONTA, ALABAMA, APRIL 22, 2014
COUNTY OF BLOUNT)

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on April 22, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Norris, Council: Blackwood, Rogers, Gargus, McNair and Robinson. Also present were Ed Lowe, Alex Smith, Rodney Wall, Jim Kilgore, Mitch Latta, Brent Bender, Rebekah Wood, Kay Butts, Carl Frey, Sherry Pearce and Tammie Noland.

Councilman Blackwood gave the invocation.

Councilman Robinson moved to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2014 meeting as written. Councilman McNair seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Councilman Gargus moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2014 work session. Councilman Blackwood seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

The Beautification Board was not present at the meeting.

Sherry Pearce, President of the Oneonta Business Association, reported that the Easter Bunny Bonanza was a big success and there are already forty vendors signed up for June Fling.

Ed Lowe reported that they have located a police package Tahoe; we had budgeted for a 2015 police vehicle to be ordered off the State Bid List. We can save about \$3,800.00 purchasing a 2014 vehicle from Capitol Chevrolet, who has the state bid. Ed asked the mayor and council to consider the purchase of a 2014 police package Tahoe for (\$26,617.80) Twenty-six thousand, six hundred and seventeen dollars and twenty cents. Councilman McNair made a motion to purchase a 2014 police package Tahoe in the amount of (\$26,617.80). Councilman Gargus seconded and the motion carried with all ayes.

Ed Lowe informed everyone that absentee applications for voting absentee for the June 3rd Municipal Option Election are available at City Hall. He stated absentee applications may be returned to the Absentee Election Manager, Tammie Noland, by the individual voting absentee or by mail. Lowe stated that new state law requires a photo ID to vote. Also, Lowe stated the Notice of Election will be published in the next week newspaper, giving more notice than required by state law due to timing of the election.

Councilwoman Rogers congratulated Councilman Robinson and his wife on celebrating their 35th wedding anniversary. She urged everyone to use caution when burning leaves when cleaning up their yards. Councilwoman Rogers gave a presentation to Fire Chief Willis presenting to him and the Oneonta Fire Department a certificate of appreciation from the Headquarters of the United States Army North (Fifth U.S. Army) Fort Sam Houston, Texas, for outstanding support during the External Evaluation Training Event for the 208th Chemical Company. The certificate thanked Chief Willis and the Fire Department for their dedication and support to the military; and stated that their professionalism and technical expertise assisted greatly with the training value to the exercise.

Councilman Robinson reported that he had attended the Safety Fair held at the Library; it was a good event with good participation.


Councilman Gargus encouraged everyone to come out this Friday night for the High School Baseball Playoffs. He reported that youth baseball and soccer are underway and he expressed appreciation to Rodney and the park and recreation guys for keeping the ballpark looking good.

Councilman Blackwood thanked everyone for attending the meeting and he wished the Redskin Baseball Team good luck.

Councilman McNair expressed appreciation to the mayor, council, Ed and everyone involved in the purchase of the police vehicle.

Mayor Norris congratulated Chief Willis and the Fire Department on their achievement of appreciation award. Mayor Norris commented that the Safety Fair was excellent. There being no further business, the mayor entertained a motion to adjourn. Councilman Robinson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman McNair seconded and the motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.


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MAYOR