

The City Council of the City of Tuskegee met in regular session on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 5:00 P.M. in the upstairs meeting room at the Municipal Complex located at 101 Fonville Street, Tuskegee, Alabama.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Johnny Ford.
2. **INVOCATION.** Lord's Prayer Repeated in Unison.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Repeated in Unison.
4. **ROLL CALL.** Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk.

PRESENT

Mayor Johnny Ford
Mayor Pro-Tempore Lawrence F. Haygood, Jr.
Council Member Ala Whitehead
Council Member Georgette White Moon

ABSENT

Council Member Frank Christopher Lee, II

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to accept and approve the agenda as circulated. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** NONE.
7. **CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS.** NONE.
8. **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.** (Mayor Johnny Ford)
9. **SGA /OTHER AGENCIES, ETC. COMMUNICATIONS.** NONE.
10. **CITY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS.** James W. Harper, City Manager.
 - A. Election Items:
 - o Ordinance setting the salaries for Elected Officials: Mayor & Council. (2016 Election)
 - o Ordinance setting qualification fees for candidates. (2016 Election)
 - B. Announcements.
11. **ORDINANCES:**
 - A. Ordinance No. 2016-3. An Ordinance setting the salaries for elected officials: Mayor & Council. (2016 Election) (Adopt)

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to adopt and approve Ordinance 2016-3 setting the salaries for Elected Officials: Mayor & Council. Council Member Whitehead seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - 3

**An Ordinance Establishing the Salaries of the Mayor and Council Members
for the City of Tuskegee, Alabama 2016 Municipal Election**

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the salary of the Mayor of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama shall be the same hereby fixed at \$25,000 annually to be paid in twenty-six (26) equal installments, bi-weekly.

Section 2. That the Councilmember-at-Large shall be compensated at the sum of \$10,700 annually to be paid in twenty-six (26) equal installments, bi-weekly.

Section 3. That each councilmember shall be compensated at the sum of \$10,000 annually to be paid in twenty-six (26) equal installments, bi-weekly.

Section 4. That the members of the City Council shall be entitled to participation in insurance programs provided by the City of Tuskegee under the same terms as City employees.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall become effective on the first Monday in November, 2016 and shall continue in force and effect until repealed by action of the Council.

Section 6. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable; if any portion of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama this 23rd day of February, 2016.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

James W. Harper, City Manager

B. Ordinance 2016-4. An Ordinance setting the qualification fees for candidates. (2016 Election) (Adopt)
Motion was made by Council Member Whitehead to adopt and approve Ordinance 2016-4 setting the qualification fees for candidates for the 2016 election. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 4

**An Ordinance setting Qualification Fees for Candidates for
the City of Tuskegee, Alabama 2016 Municipal Election**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A qualification fee in the amount of \$50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as Mayor of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 2. A qualification fee in the amount of \$50.00 is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as Councilmember of the City of Tuskegee, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 3. Such qualification fee shall be paid to the Revenue Office and deposited to the General Fund of the city at or prior to the time of taking out qualification papers by any such candidates.

Section 4. Any person desiring to qualify who is not financially able to pay the required fee may qualify provided such prospective candidate furnishes the clerk with an affidavit stating that he is financially unable to pay the required fee fixed by this ordinance.

Section 5. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 11-46-2 of the Alabama Code of 1975 and shall be effective in all elections, both general and special, for aforesaid offices from and after the date of adoption.

Adopted and Approved this the 23rd day of February, 2016.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

James W. Harper, City Manager

12. **RESOLUTIONS.** NONE.

13. **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.**

Attorney Gray reminded Council Members about the Court Hearing regarding the case, Benjamin Franklin Cox et al vs. City of Tuskegee et al which is set for Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 9:00 AM. Atty. Gray stated that all members of the council should be present for court.

14. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood to set the next city council meeting for Monday February 29, 2016 at the regular time: 5:30 PM Work Session and 6:00 PM Council Meeting. Council Member Moon seconded the motion and all members voted aye. Mayor Ford declared the motion carried.

There being no further matters to come before the Council at this time, Mayor Pro-Tempore Haygood moved to adjourn at 5:10 PM. Mayor Ford declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

Johnny Ford, Mayor

ATTEST:

Fartima B. Clark, City Clerk