**COLBERT CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**September 13, 2022 – 7 p.m.**

**Auditorium**

**Present:** Roger Fortson, Ray Thomas, Dale Perry, Kerri-Lynn Phillips, Tony Mattox, John Perry, Rickey and Agnes Barber, Cynthia Fortson, Michelle Cole, Greg and Sheila Magrum, Chris Peck, Carl and Ellyn Trinrud

**Call to Order**-Kerri-Lynn Phillips

**Prayer**- Kerri-Lynn Phillips

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**No Quorum to Adopt September 13 Agenda or to Approve August 11 Minutes**

**NEW UPDATES**

-Jonathan Pou, Colbert Mayor Pro Tem, was not able to make the meeting. Head Clerk, Kerri-Lynn Phillips led the meeting.

-The City has received 18 new LED lights donated by Roger Fortson and City Electric Supply to replace outdated and failing auditorium lighting. They will be installed by Tony and Ray once they have decided how they will approach the issue of an unlevel auditorium floor and the use of ladders and scaffolding.

-Bobby Miller sent an email early in the month pertaining to damage one set of doors inside the building the church uses, but that the church rents from the city. Tony Mattox stated that there were two identical doors in storage that can replace the damaged ones. He will work to get those replaced, possibly with Tom Jackson’s assistance.

-Waggoner’s Grove Baptist Church requested to have use of the parking lot on Sunday October 30, 2022; they will hold their annual trunk or treat event for Halloween from 4 p.m. until they run out of candy.

-Proposed Budget drawn up by Jonathan Pou, presented to attendees via printouts. This budget is not an “all-inclusive,” budget. It does not contain special funds such as SPLOST, LMIG, Water Contingency, Water Availability, etc. Budgets cannot be voted on until after the election is over in November.

-Christmas in Colbert 2022 will be held Friday December 2, 2022.

-The next City Council Meeting will be held October 4, 2022.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Ellyn Trinrud questioned why the meeting dates had been changed recently. There was discussion about meeting rules contained in the City Charter. Dale Perry will be reviewing the Charter. Further discussion about changing the City’s Charter to change the meeting dates. Again, without a quorum, nothing could be voted on. If meeting dates are changed, it must be advertised in the local paper for two weeks ahead of time.

Department Reports-Tony Mattox provided a report of maintenance and repairs within the City for the month. He also made a note of an eighteen-wheeler running off the road and damaging city road signs.

Ray Thomas-Stated that we needed to get a price for cleaning out the burn pit. Check with Dusty Tiller, Fields Land Management, or Mark from Backyard to Nature for possible quotes.

Roger Fortson-no updates

Kerri-Lynn Phillips-New Assistant Clerk Elisa Grimes has finished her mandatory clerk’s training as of today’s date. She is excited to get back into the office to apply what she was taught during those sessions. Discussion about cemetery grass cutting schedule.

Meeting Ended