

Council Meeting
May 20, 2024

Members Present: Mayor Buddy Duke, council members Jody Greene, Greg Paige, Celestine Hayes, Terry McClain and Walter Cowart.

Others Present: City Manager Mark Barber, Pam Hamilton, and members of staff and the public.

Invocation was given by Councilman Terry McClain.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Greg Paige.

Approval of Minutes: Councilman Greg Paige made a motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2024 as presented. Councilman Terry McClain seconded with all in favor.

Ord. #24-03 (Cryptocurrency): This ordinance, adding Article V *Crypto and Data Mining* to Chapter 22 *Business and Business Regulations* of the Code of Ordinances, was read for the first time. Mrs. Altheia Paige expressed concerns about locations of HI zoning, including crypto organizations, next to neighborhoods. Council members Hayes and Paige stated their opposition to crypto. City Manager Mark Barber added additional input to sections of the proposed ordinance and stated the ordinance is to protect the City of Adel and its citizens. Mrs. Annette Tiveron also expressed concern about getting answers to questions and Mr. Barber advised her if she would make an appointment, he would be glad to try to answer her concerns.

AIA Contract with Altman & Barrett Architects: City Manager Mark Barber provided the council with a copy of a standard AIA contract from Altman & Barrett for the proposed renovations on the new city hall. He stated they were asking for a fee of 8% of the total construction cost. Mayor Duke added he was involved in an architectural agreement several years ago and it was 8% back then. Councilman McClain asked if the agreement would put us ready for the bid process and Mr. Barber stated, yes. Motion to approve this contract was made by Councilman Jody Greene. The Mayor asked for a second. There was no second provided and the motion died.

Other Business: Mr. Barber provided a report on the recent community cleanup held in the northwest quadrant of the city. He stated that 13.3 tons of debris had been collected in swa cars; 35 tires were collected and 33 bags of trash (35 gal size bags). There were also 22 pot holes filled in during the week. He further stated that there will be another community cleanup held soon.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Pamela Hamilton, Admin. Asst.

Buddy Duke, Mayor