

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
CITY HALL BOARD ROOM
DECEMBER 3, 2019
5:00 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MET IN THE CITY HALL BOARD ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR MAURICE HOWARD, ALDERMAN ALONZO SYKES, ALDERMAN DOUG STONE, ALDERMAN DAVID EWING, ALDERWOMAN CAROLYN ODOM, AND ALDERMAN JIM BUFFINGTON; JACKIE BENSON, CITY CLERK; AND ROBERT FAULKS, CITY ATTORNEY.

Alderman Alonzo Sykes attended by telephone.

Invocation: Alderman Doug Stone.

A motion was made by Alderman Buffington, seconded by Alderman Stone to approve the proposed Minutes dated November 21, 2019. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

A motion was made by Alderman Buffington, seconded by Alderwoman Odom to pay all bills submitted by proper vendors as recorded on the Docket of Claims dated December 3, 2019. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

A motion was made by Alderman Stone, seconded by Alderwoman Odom to employ James Buchanan as a fulltime Patrolman in the Aberdeen Police Department at the wage of \$13.00 per hour, as recommended by Aberdeen Police Chief Henry Randle. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

A motion was made by Alderman Ewing, seconded by Alderwoman Odom to accept the resignation of Aberdeen Fire Department employee Marcus Dearing, effective December 10, 2019. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

A motion was made by Alderman Stone, seconded by Alderman Ewing to employ Cruz Jimenez as a fulltime Fireman in the Aberdeen Fire Department at the wage of \$9.00 per hour as recommended by Aberdeen Fire Chief Fred Hodges. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

Bishop Sacus asked whether the Aberdeen Police Department could set up some road blocks and more patrol monitoring around the Big Bender Road and Vine Street and Hwy 145 areas to deter the racing problem and safety hazard caused by such racing in Aberdeen.

Alderman Sykes requested the Aberdeen Public Works Department to be proactive and to remove the piles of leaves off the City streets before more rains and more clogging up of the City streets drains.

Alderman Stone stated that he can hear people racing vehicles all over town and agreed the racing issue needed to be addressed. Alderman Stone also indicated there was a racing and safety issue along Thayer Avenue.

Alderman Ewing proposed that some speed bumps be installed on Canal Street in front of the Day Care business for safety reasons. Alderman Ewing also asked about a request of Ben and Mary Smith to install a new manufactured home on their lot located on High Street Extension in replacement of an older manufactured home on that lot.

Alderwoman Odom thanked Linda and Frank Record for their community service and recognized the Records for being named Aberdeen Citizens of the Year by the Aberdeen Junior Women's League.

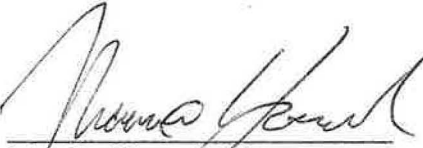
A motion was made by Alderman Stone, seconded by Alderwoman Odom to enter into a closed determination to determine whether to go into Executive Session. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

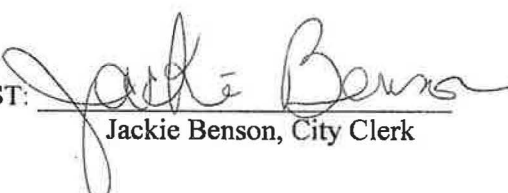
A motion was made by Alderwoman Odom, seconded by Alderman Stone to come out of closed determination. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".

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The Board indicated that a Special Called Board Meeting may be scheduled on Monday, December 9, 2019 to discuss the request of Ben and Mary Smith to install a new manufactured home on their lot located on High Street Extension. The Board requested to review the Zoning Commission Order on the matter.

A motion was made by Alderman Stone, seconded by Alderman Ewing to adjourn until the December 17, 2019 Board Meeting. On a roll call vote, all present voted "Aye".


Maurice Howard, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Jackie Benson, City Clerk