

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CHEROKEE
CITY OF CENTRE

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CENTRE, ALABAMA

THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CENTRE MET IN PUBLIC SESSION ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025 AT THE CITY HALL AT 5:00 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR THE 2025-2029 ADMINISTRATION.

MAYOR JAY HOWELL PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING AND SHERRIE CHANDLER, CITY CLERK, WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT, RECORDED THE MINUTES.

REVEREND EDDIE NATION, PASTOR OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, DELIVERED THE INVOCATION.

MAYOR HOWELL WELCOMED EVERYONE.

MAYOR JAY HOWELL WAS GIVEN THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE FOUR-YEAR TERM, BEGINNING THIS DATE, BY THE HONORABLE WES MOBLEY, CHEROKEE COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGE.

THE COUNCILMEMBERS WERE GIVEN THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE FOUR -YEAR TERM, BEGINNING THIS DATE, BY THE HONORABLE WES MOBLEY, CHEROKEE COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGE. THOSE TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE WERE AS FOLLOWS:

TOREY CHANDLER, COUNCILMEMBER
CARETHA CLIFTON, COUNCILMEMBER
DON COTHRAN, COUNCILMEMBER
SID GARRETT, COUNCILMEMBER
PHILLIP ROBERTS, COUNCILMEMBER
KAREN SLUPE, COUNCILMEMBER
JIMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCILMEMBER

MAYOR JAY HOWELL STATED THE NEXT THING ON THE AGENDA WAS APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE. MAYOR HOWELL OPENED THE APPOINTMENT FOR MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE TO THE COUNCIL FOR NOMINATION. COUNCILMEMBER DON COTHRAN NOMINATED COUNCILMEMBER PHILLIP ROBERTS. COUNCILMEMBER CARETHA CLIFTON NOMINATED COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE. THE NOMINATIONS WERE CLOSED. THE FOLLOWING VOTES WERE RECORDED ON COUNCILMEMBER PHILLIP ROBERTS.

YEAS: TOREY CHANDLER, COUNCILMEMBER
DON COTHRAN, COUNCILMEMBER

NAYS: CARETHA CLIFTON, COUNCILMEMBER
SID GARRETT, COUNCILMEMBER
JIMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCILMEMBER

ABSTAINING: JAY HOWELL, MAYOR
PHILLIP ROBERTS, COUNCILMEMBER
KAREN SLUPE, COUNCILMEMBER

THE FOLLOWING VOTES WERE RECORDED ON THE NOMINATION OF COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE.

YEAS: CARETHA CLIFTON, COUNCILMEMBER
SID GARRETT, COUNCILMEMBER
JIMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCILMEMBER

NAYS: TOREY CHANDLER, COUNCILMEMBER
DON COTHRAN, COUNCILMEMBER

ABSTAINING: JAY HOWELL, MAYOR
PHILLIP ROBERTS, COUNCILMEMBER
KAREN SLUPE, COUNCILMEMBER

MAYOR HOWELL PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CENTRE, ALABAMA, TO WIT:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-11-03-01

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT KAREN SLUPE BE ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN PRO-TEMPORE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT KAREN SLUPE BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CHECKS IN THE ABSENCE OF MAYOR JAY HOWELL.

ADOPTED THIS 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

JAY HOWELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SHERRIE CHANDLER, CITY CLERK

COUNCILMEMBER CARETHA CLIFTON MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT SAID RESOLUTION. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SID GARRETT. THE FOLLOWING VOTES WERE RECORDED:

YEAS: CARETHA CLIFTON, COUNCILMEMBER
SID GARRETT, COUNCILMEMBER
JIMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCILMEMBER

NAYS: TOREY CHANDLER, COUNCILMEMBER
DON COTHRAN, COUNCILMEMBER

ABSTAINING: JAY HOWELL, MAYOR
PHILLIP ROBERTS, COUNCILMEMBER
KAREN SLUPE, COUNCILMEMBER

MAYOR HOWELL PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CENTRE, ALABAMA, TO WIT:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-11-03-02

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET ON THE 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH IN THE CITY HALL ST 5:00 P.M.

ADOPTED THIS 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025

JAY HOWELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SHERRIE CHANDLER, CITY CLERK

COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SAID RESOLUTION. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DON COTHRAN. THE FOLLOWING VOTES WERE RECORDED:

YEAS: TOREY CHANDLER, COUNCILMEMBER
CARETHA CLIFTON, COUNCILMEMBER
DON COTHRAN, COUNCILMEMBER
SID GARRETT, COUNCILMEMBER
PHILLIP ROBERTS, COUNCILMEMBER
KAREN SLUPE, COUNCILMEMBER
JIMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCILMEMBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAINING: JAY HOWELL, MAYOR

COUNCILMEMBER PHILLIP ROBERTS MADE A MOTION TO KEEP THE PRESENT DEPOSITORIES FOR MUNICIPAL FUNDS. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF SAME. A LIST OF THE ACCOUNTS WILL BE PLACED ON FILE AT CITY HALL AND BECOME A PART OF THESE MINUTES BY REFERENCE THERETO.

MAYOR HOWELL MADE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS FOR THE COUNCIL COMMITTEES AS FOLLOWS:

COUNCIL COMMITTEES
2025-2029

BUDGET & FINANCE

CHAIRMAN: **KAREN SLUPE**
DON COTHRAN
PHILLIP ROBERTS

PUBLIC SAFETY

CHAIRMAN: **PHILLIP ROBERTS**
SID GARRETT
CARETHA CLIFTON

PARKS & RECREATION

CHAIRMAN: **SID GARRETT**
DON COTHRAN
CARETHA CLIFTON

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN: **PHILLIP ROBERTS**
JIMMY WILLIAMS
KAREN SLUPE

STREET & SANITATION

CHAIRMAN: **TOREY CHANDLER**
PHILLIP ROBERTS
CARETHA CLIFTON

AIRPORT

CHAIRMAN: **SID GARRETT**
DON COTHRAN
JIMMY WILLIAMS

BEAUTIFICATION & EVENTS

CHAIRMAN: **JIMMY WILLIAMS**
CARETHA CLIFTON
KAREN SLUPE

BUILDING & INSPECTIONS

CHAIRMAN: **DON COTHRAN**
TOREY CHANDLER
SID GARRETT

EFFECIENCY

CHAIRMAN: **CARETHA CLIFTON**
KAREN SLUPE
JIMMY WILLIAMS

MAYOR HOWELL ANNOUNCED ALL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES SHALL CONTINUE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DUTIES TEMPORARILY PENDING SUCH TIME AS THE COUNCIL SHALL MAKE PERMANENT APPOINTMENTS, WHICH WILL BE AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025 AT 5:00 P.M. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER PHILLIP ROBERTS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DON COTHRAN, TO APPROVE THE DATE FOR THE APPOINTMENTS. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF SAME.

COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE MADE A MOTION TO WAIVE THE SCHEDULED MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2025 DUE TO VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER TOREY CHANDLER. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF SAME.

COUNCILMEMBER DON COTHRAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KAREN SLUPE. THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS	\$ 34.28	ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE	\$ 139.00
ALA. LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$ 645.00	CARD SERVICES	\$5,119.59
CHEROKEE CO COMM DIST.	\$13,366.19	CEDAR BLUFF OIL	\$3,498.20
CENTRE AUTO PARTS	\$ 640.36	CHEROKEE CHEMICALS CO	\$ 225.00
CINTAS	\$ 784.47	COOSA VALLEY COMM	\$ 320.46
DANA SAFETY SUPPLY	\$ 14.95	DANNY'S BUILDERS SUPPLY	\$ 43.13
DIXIE DECORATIONS	\$ 900.75	EAST ALABAMA REGIONAL	\$1,038.05
EDIE LYNN BECK SENTELL	\$ 250.00	ELLIS BROTHERS GRADING	\$2,600.00
FOOTHILLS TRACTOR	\$ 1,074.59	FUELZ-A MCPHERSON	\$7,057.14
GALL'S	\$ 232.00	HOLSTON GASES	\$ 24.17
INGRAM EQUIPMENT	\$ 847.97	KERR'S REDI MIX	\$ 238.50
LARRY'S TOWING	\$ 2,129.76	LOWE'S	\$ 237.90

MODEL TEES	\$ 360.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	\$ 198.92
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS	\$ 1,070.23
RAY'S SAW	\$ 128.98
RODNEY'S AUTO PARTS	\$ 250.95
SHERI STALLINGS	\$ 105.00
TEMPLE ELECTRIC	\$ 3,317.50
THE TRACTOR PLACE	\$ 77.52
VALVOLINE	\$ 233.92
WAL-MART	\$ 404.65
WATERWAY	\$ 169.85
WEISS SUPPLIES	\$ 301.53

NETWORK SOLUTIONS	\$ 220.25
O.K. TIRE	\$4,373.94
QUILL	\$1,063.77
REECE TIRE	\$ 321.00
SAND MOUNTAIN PEST	\$ 129.00
TATE & TATE	\$ 3,050.00
THE FRANKLIN PRESS	\$ 218.00
TRAFFIC SIGNS	\$ 1,259.56
VULCAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 1,082.70
WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$ 9,859.62
WEBB CONCRETE	\$ 831.32

SUB TOTAL	\$70,489.67
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RECREATION FUND

CEDAR BLUFF OIL	\$ 400.71
CINTAS	\$ 122.61
FUELZ-A MCPHERSON	\$ 474.94
RAY'S SAW	\$ 119.31
TRACTOR SUPPLY	\$ 42.48
WEBB CONCRETE	\$ 192.94

CHEROKEE FARMERS COOP	\$ 110.97
DAY'S SPORTING GOODS	\$ 890.80
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	\$ 9.55
SAND MOUNTAIN PEST	\$ 86.00
WAL-MART	\$ 224.58
WEISS SUPPLIES	\$ 30.28

SUB TOTAL	\$ 2,705.17
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THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF PAYING THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL, COUNCILMEMBER JIMMY WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 5:29P.M.

JAY HOWELL, MAYOR

SHERRIE CHANDLER, CITY CLERK