

Mayor Estes called the meeting to order after which he asked B. Lewis to give the invocation.

Present were council members C. Elsberry, T. Stanley, M. Cook, C. Henderson and R. Culpepper. Employees present were B. Smith, R. Henderson, J. Hendley, W. Bass, M. Watson, M. Thompson, Z. Taylor, A. Stephens and L. Brown. Visitors present were L. Hendley and the Martinez Family.

After a review of the July meeting minutes T. Stanley made a motion to approve the minutes, R. Culpepper seconded. All voted aye.

Fredrick Martinez presented the council with a request to move a mobile home into the city limits. Pictures were shown to the council. After discussion T. Stanley made a motion to approve the mobile home, R. Culpepper seconded. All voted aye.

Mayor Estes informed the council that the White Crown Victoria police car needed major repairs. Ross Black of Grandslam Auto had suggested using the White Crown Vic for parts for the Brown Crown Vic, the transmission will be put in the Brown Crown Victoria.

L. Brown stated that the Fire Department had put in a bid for a fire truck but that he had not heard anything from the bid yet. L. Brown also stated that 31 fire fighters had taken part in the Extrication Class the past Saturday.

Stephens stated that the city was in need of a sewer jet and that he had been looking in magazines for a good used one.

Chief Hendley introduced the City of Abbeville Police Officers to the council. Chief Hendley also gave the July & August police reports.

M. Cook made a motion at 6:40 pm to go into executive session, seconded by T. Stanley. All voted aye.

At 7:45 pm the city council meeting was reopened to the public with it being stated that no action had been taken.

Mayor Estes brought before the council his interest in applying for a Gateway Grant. The Gateway Grant helps to beautify the City. C. Henderson made a motion to go ahead with applying for the grant, M. Cook seconded. All voted aye.

Mayor Estes informed the council that the EPD had been to the sight for the Campground. He stated that the city needed an ENS Plan that must be done by an engineer at a cost of around \$2000.

Mayor Estes stated that the Abbeville Downtown Development Authority needed funds to operate. Mayor Estes suggested giving the DDA interest from the City RBEG account. M. Cook made a motion to give the Abbeville Downtown Development Authority \$10, 000. T. Stanley seconded. All voted aye. C. Elsberry abstained.

Mayor Estes stated that the city needed to set the mileage rate for taxes. The current mileage rate is 12. M. Cook made a motion to leave the rate and the current mileage. R. Culpepper seconded. All voted aye.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by C. Elsberry and seconded by M. Cook. All voted aye.