**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALABAMA ON JUNE 10, 2025.**

**The Mayor and Council Members of the City of Cordova, Alabama met in a Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. on June 10, 2025, at the Cordova City Hall.**

**Mayor Pate delivered the Invocation.**

**Mayor Pate led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Upon roll call the following members were present:**

**Mayor Jeremy Pate, and**

**Council Members: Larry Sides, Ed Earp, and Velda Pettit**

**Absent: Brett Dawkins and Jane Mitchell**

**Mayor Pate addressed the Council to inform them of the resignation of Police Chief, Krimson Culverson. Mayor Pate thanked Chief Culverson for his dedication to the community for four years.**

**Mayor Pate announced that after interviews and consideration, Jason Hare is to be appointed Chief of Police. Mayor Pate invited Mr. Hare to the front to take his Oath of Office.**

**Councilmember Earp made a motion to go into Executive Session, which was seconded by Councilmember Pettit. Mayor Pate asked if it is employee related. Councilmember Earp confirmed that it was, and Mayor Pate and Council Members entered into the Executive Session at 6:36 p.m.**

**Mayor Pate and Council Members reconvened at 7:21 p.m. and Mayor Pate opened the meeting for the transaction of business.**

**Mayor Pate presented the Regular Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2025. Councilmember Earp made a motion to approve the minutes as given, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate presented the accounts payable. Councilmember Earp made a motion to approve the accounts payable, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Pettit. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate gave notice of the municipal election for August 26, 2025. This election is for Mayor and 5 Council Member places.**

**Mayor Pate presented Resolution 07-2025. A resolution to surplus two zero-turn mowers: John Deere and ExMark. Councilmember Earp made a motion to approve Resolution 07-2025, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate presented an application to hire Maggie Benson as Magistrate/Court Clerk at $16.50 an hour and will receive a raise after completing certifications. Councilmember Sides made a motion to approve the hire of Maggie Benson, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Pettit. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate presented a list for Cordova Works part-time temporary hires for $10 an hour. These employees will only work 8 weeks. Councilmember Earp made a motion to approve the hires, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Pettit. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Mayor Pate gave a Public Works update. He announced the bridge at the park is almost complete. He also announced 8-9 tons of patch has been poured throughout needed areas until the RAISE Grant bids go out.**

**Dean Harbison gave a Fire Department update. He requested approval from the Council to apply for two FEMA grants. The FEMA Safer grant has no match and is a four-year term, which would offset the pay-per-call to the volunteers who run calls. The second FEMA grant has a 5% match and will be used for fire prevention and safety. Councilmember Earp made a motion to approve Mr. Harbison applying for the two FEMA grants, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sides. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Krimson Culverson gave a Police Department update. He announced that two full-time dispatchers are leaving, including the Dispatch Supervisor, and he will allow the new chief to decide who he would like to have in place for those positions. He thanked the Council Members and Mayor for the opportunity to serve his community.**

**Renee Sides gave a CEIDA update. She requested the Council consider approving a road closure on June 19 for the Juneteenth Celebration being put on by Litle St. James Church between the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Sides made a motion to approve the road closure, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Pettit. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following was recorded: yes – 4. Motion carried.**

**Renee Sides informed the Council that the ARC Grants to Grow grant was not awarded to the City at this time. Mrs. Sides also informed the Council that the old Key Building renovation is almost complete and would house an urgent care with primary care available.**

**Mayor Pate invited Teresa from Capstone to speak. Teresa addressed the Council to inform them of a Back-to-School Health Fair Supply and Backpack Giveaway. She requested that if anyone would like to sponsor, they should fill out the form given in their packet and mail them to Capstone in Parrish.**

**Lawrence Sides gave a Planning and Zoning update.**

**It was ascertained there was no other business to come before this meeting. Upon motion made and seconded, the meeting was duly adjourned.**

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**Mayor Jeremy Pate**

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**City Clerk/Treasurer**