

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OZARK, ALABAMA
MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Ozark, Alabama, met in Special Session in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Complex at 4:30 P.M. on Monday, March 30, 2015. Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Billy Blackwell, Mayor
 Frank Garrett, Councilmember, Place No. 1
 Mike Barefield, Councilmember, Place No. 2
 Winston T. Jackson, Councilmember, Place No. 3
 Andy Gilland, Councilmember, Place No. 4
 Anthony Hill, Councilmember, Place No. 5

Absent: None

Melissa Robinson, who acted as clerk of the meeting Denise Ellis, Frankey Peterman and Joe Adams was also present.

President Gilland stated the purpose of the meeting was to go into Executive Session to discuss good name and character as part of the interview process for the Fire Chief's position. Councilmember Hill made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss good name and character as part of the interview process for the Fire Chief's position. President Gilland declared the motion died for lack of a second.

President Gilland opened a lengthy discussion about the confidentiality of matters that are discussed in Executive Session. President Gilland said that apparently someone can't keep discussions in Executive Session of good name and character quiet, it is imperative that discussions be kept confidential and important that the Mayor have the Councils trust in issues and the Council has trust in the Mayor. President Gilland further stated they should not ever be having this discussion but it is apparent there is a leak and this discussion is necessary. Mayor Blackwell stated he received information that a Councilmember had repeated the events in public that had taken place in an Executive Session. He said that any discussions that takes place in Executive Session are confidential.

After the discussion Councilmember Hill made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss good name and character as part of the interview process for the Fire Chief's position, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barefield. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to come out of Executive Session, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Garrett. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Councilmember Garrett made a motion to recess the meeting until 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Hill. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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Councilmember Garrett made a motion to reconvene the recess of Monday, March 30, 2015, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Jackson. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

The Council interviewed Mr. Kenneth Harrison, Mr. Philip Prince and Mr. Steve Sketo for the position of Fire Chief.

Upon completion of the interviews Councilmember Garrett made a motion to hold a Special Council Meeting at 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 6, 2015 to continue the process of the selection of a Fire Chief, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Hill. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

With there being no further business to come before this Special Council Meeting of March 30, 2015, Councilmember Jackson moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barefield. The Council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

Presiding Officer

City Clerk