

**TARRANT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2025**

AGENDA

REGULAR SESSION – 7:00PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PRAYER**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. ROLL CALL**
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

December 16, 2024- Regular Meeting

- VI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**
- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Resolution No. 9191 – A Resolution Removing Chief Wendell Major from the Office of Chief of Police for the City of Tarrant.

B. Resolution No. 9248 – A Resolution Affirming the Termination of the Employment of Jason Rickels from the Office of Fire Chief for the City of Tarrant.

- IX. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Resolution No. 9249 – A Resolution Approving Settlement Agreement Between the City and Aden Martin, LLC for Unpaid Taxes.

B. Resolution No. 9250 – A Resolution Reinstating Jason Rickels to Fire Chief of the City of Tarrant Fire Department and Directing All Back Pay and Benefits Pursuant to the Personnel Board of Jefferson County Order Dated November 7, 2024.

- X. VOUCHERS AND EXPENSES**

A. Ending January 3, 2025 - City of Tarrant City Hall

B. Ending December 31, 2024 - City of Tarrant Electric Department.

- XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- XII. ADJOURN**

CITY OF TARRANT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 16, 2024
TARRANT CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Tarrant, Alabama, met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday December 16, 2024, at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Mayor Newton called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM immediately following the council work session that began at 6:00PM to discuss items on the agenda and other matters.

Pastor Chris Patterson lead those in attendance in the invocation. Tarrant City Fire Chief, Patrick Bennett lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Newton asked for a roll call. The following officials were present during the roll call:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Veronica Bandy Freeman
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews
Mayor Wayman A. Newton

A quorum was determined to be present at the meeting.

The minutes from the December 2, 2024 regularly scheduled council meeting were presented for review and approval. After review, Councilor Threadford moved to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2024. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Veronica Bandy Freeman
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman A. Newton

The yeas being five (4) and the nays being zero (0), the motion to approve the minutes for December 2, 2024 council meeting were approved.

The Mayor moved on to communications by acknowledging the City of Tarrant Christmas Parade held on December 14, 2024. The Mayor thanked the businesses involved and acknowledged the organizations that did not participate in this years parade. The Mayor invited the City of Tarrant Alumni to aid in hosting the City of Tarrant 2025 Christmas Parade. Mayor Newton updated all those in attendance of the Supreme Court ruling in the John C. Brown v. State of Alabama ex rel. Deanna Ceasor, as informant decided on December 13, 2024. Mayor Newton metaphorically extended an olive branch to the Council in response to the Supreme Court outcome. Councilor Bryant responded by outlining the past conflicting incidents between Mayor, Council and Citizens of the past four years and the concept of change. Councilor Bryant finalized his comments by thanking the Mayor for his metaphorical olive branch extension.

Councilor Threadford thanked Fire Chiefs Jason Rickels and Patrick Bennett for aiding in the recent toy drive giveaway in which 60 families with their children were helped along with giveaway boxes.

Mayor Newton finalized public comments by including Pastor Everson of New Faith Ministries and the City of Tarrant Public Works Department of their participation in the City of Tarrant Christmas Parade 2024.

There were no committee reports.

The Mayor and Council moved on to Old Business.

Mayor Newton introduced and read Resolution No. 9191. A Resolution Removing Chief Wendell Major from the Office of Chief of Police for the City of Tarrant. The Mayor did not ask for a second due to the interest of time and personal prediction that the Council would not second the Resolution. The Mayor asked the City Clerk to include Resolution No. 9191 at the next council meeting.

Councilwoman Freeman quietly excused herself from the meeting at approximately 7:17 pm.

The Mayor and Council moved on to New Business

Councilor Threadford introduced and read Resolution No. 9244, A Resolution Approving of and Authorizing the Execution of the Assignment Agreement Among the City of Tarrant, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the Electric Board of the City of the City of Tarrant, Alabama. Councilor Threadford moved to approve Resolution 9244. Councilor Bryant seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newton

The yeas being four (4) and the nays being zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to approve Resolution No. 9244 was agreed to, and the Resolution was approved.

Mayor Newton introduced Resolution No. 9245, A Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of the Remaining American Rescue Plan Funds. Mayor Newton suggested the Resolution be withdrawn due to Council previous discussions regarding the American Rescue Plan Funds already released into the City of Tarrant General Funds. Mayor Newton motioned to withdraw Resolution No. 9245. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newton

The yeas being four (4) and the nays being zero (0) with 1 (1) member not voting, the motion to withdraw Resolution No. 9245 was agreed to, and the Resolution was withdrawn.

Mayor Newton introduced and read Resolution No. 9246, A Resolution by the City of Tarrant Recognizing and Celebrating 100 years of the National League of Cities. Mayor Newton motioned to approve Resolution No. 9246. Councilor Bryant seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newton

The yeas being four (4) and the nays being zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to approve Resolution No. 9246 was agreed to, and the Resolution was approved.

Mayor Newton introduced and read Resolution No. 9247, A Resolution Preapproving of and Authorizing Travel for Councilwoman Veronica Freeman to Attend the National League of Cities 2025 Congressional City Conference. Mayor Newton made motion to amend Resolution No. 9247. Councilor Anderson seconded the amendment. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newton

The yeas being four (4) and the nays being zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to amend Resolution No. 9247 was agreed to, and the Resolution was agreed to be amended.

Mayor Newton introduced and read Resolution No. 9247, A Resolution PreApproving of and Authorizing Travel for *Mayor Wayman Newton* and Councilwoman Veronica Freeman to Attend the National League of Cities 2025 Congressional City Conference with the amendments added to add *Mayor Wayman Newton, only pay for registration fee of \$670 each in advance, cost of transportation to and from airport, air travel, accommodations and per diems to be reimbursed upon receipts in accordance to section 2-221 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tarrant, and that the total cost of the trip for each City Official will not exceed \$2,500.00.* Mayor Newton also noted for the record that he will not accept the daily \$50.00 per diem. Mayor Newton motioned to approve Resolution No. 9247. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newton

The yeas being four (4) and the nays being zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to approve Resolution No. 9247 was agreed to, and the Resolution was approved as amended.

Next, Mayor Wayman Newton introduced Resolution No. 9248 with amendments *to remove first person singular tense pronoun used for Chris Patterson, and the stanza phrase in reference to personal motives at bottom of page one.* Mayor Newton motioned to approve Resolution No. 9248. There was no seconder. Mayor Newton asked the City Clerk to add the Resolution No. 9248 to next meeting's agenda and that the amendments will be provided to the City Clerk before the next meeting.

Next, The Council reviewed the vouchers and expenses for the Tarrant City Hall ending December 13, 2024. Councilor Threadford moved to approve the vouchers for the Tarrant City Hall ending December 13, 2024. Councilor Bryant seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newman

The yeas being four (4) and the nays zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to approve the vouchers and expenses for the Tarrant City Hall for December 13, 2024 was agreed to and the vouchers and expenses were approved.

Next, The Council reviewed the vouchers and expenses for the City of Tarrant Electric ending December 13, 2024. Councilor Threadford moved to approve the vouchers for the City of Tarrant Electric ending December 13, 2024. Councilor Bryant seconded the motion. Mayor Newton called for a vote.

Yeas:

Councilor John T. "Tommy" Bryant
Councilor Tracie B. Threadford
Councilor Catherine "Cathy" Anderson
Councilor Deborah "Debbie" Matthews

Nays:

None

Not voting:

Mayor Wayman Newman

The yeas being four (4) and the nays zero (0) with one (1) member not voting, the motion to approve the vouchers and expenses for the City of Tarrant Electric for December 13, 2024 was agreed to and the vouchers and expenses were approved.

Next, the Council moved to Public Comments.

First, City of Tarrant Fire Chief Jason Rickels thanked Lt. Hill, Councilor Threadford and all those that participated and that were in attendance for the successful toy drive of the City of Tarrant Christmas 2024.

Second, Chris Patterson asked the Council of an update on the software used to detect gun shots in the City of Tarrant. Mr. Patterson also acknowledged and reviewed the abuse of the 2nd amendment of the United States Constitution in the City of Tarrant. Council agreed that the Chief of Police would provide a 30-day report of the gunshots fired in the City of Tarrant. The Chief of Police invited Mr. Patterson to a gunshot detection training event to be held at 12 noon December 17, 2024 at the Tarrant Police Station. Mr. Patterson accepted the invitation.

There being no further comments from the public Councilor Threadford made a motion to adjourn at 7:44pm. Councilor Brant seconded the motion. A verbal vote was taken with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Laverne Knight
City Clerk January 6, 2024
City of Tarrant Council Meeting, Alabama

READ AND APPROVED this the 6th day of December, 2025.

The City of Tarrant, Alabama

APPROVED _____
WAYMAN NEWTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Laverne Knight

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TARRANT, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION NO. 9191

**A RESOLUTION REMOVING CHIEF WENDELL MAJOR FROM
THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF
TARRANT**

WHEREAS, following the findings of an April, 2024 independent investigation into the Office of the Chief of Police of the City of Tarrant, which revealed multiple areas of serious misconduct on the part of Chief Wendell Major, the City Council of the City of Tarrant has continual declined to remove Chief Major from office;

WHEREAS, since that April, 2024 report, said misconduct has continued and/or escalated, exposing law enforcement officers, the citizens and the City of Tarrant to serious harm; and

WHEREAS, this ongoing misconduct includes: (a) continual closing of law enforcement cases preventing and/or obstructing active investigations (including cases which involve domestic and/or gun violence); (b) retaliation in violation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; (c) allowing unauthorized personnel unsupervised access to sensitive and confidential areas of the Public Safety Building (including former employees who were terminated for misconduct), (d) hiring personnel outside the rules, policies and procedures as outlined by the Jefferson County Personnel Board and (e) approving contracts, services and/or expenditures without prior authorization.

WHEREAS, based on the findings of misconduct from the April, 2024 independent investigation and the current, ongoing misconduct and exposure to harm to law enforcement officers, citizens and the City of Tarrant, Chief Wendell Major is due to be removed from the Office of the Chief of Police of the City of Tarrant for cause

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tarrant, Alabama while in regular session on Monday, January 6th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Tarrant does hereby immediately remove, for cause, Wendell Major from the Office of the Chief of Police for the City of Tarrant by a majority vote of those elected to the Council.

ADOPTED this the 6th day of January, 2025.

APPROVED: _____
WAYMAN NEWTON, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
Laverne Knight, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF CITY CLERK

STATE OF ALABAMA

JEFFERSON COUNTY)

I, Laverne Knight, the City Clerk of the City of Tarrant, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly and legally adopted by the City Council of the City of Tarrant, Alabama, on the 6th day of January, 2025 while in regular session on Monday, January 6th 2025, and the same appears of record in the minute book of said date of said City.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 6th day of January, 2024.

Laverne Knight, City Clerk

Cancelled. No Quorum.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TARRANT, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION NO. 9248

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE TERMINATION OF THE
EMPLOYMENT OF JASON RICKELS FROM THE OFFICE OF
FIRE CHIEF FOR THE CITY OF TARRANT**

WHEREAS, I, Chris Patterson, resident and citizen of the City of Tarrant, present the following Resolution Affirming the Termination of the Employment of Jason Rickels From the Office of Fire Chief for the City of Tarrant, and request immediate action from the City Council of the City of Tarrant; and

WHEREAS, Jason Rickels (“Rickels”) was appointed to the position of Fire Chief for the City of Tarrant in April, 2015 and remained in that position until his termination by Mayor Wayman Newton in April, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in March, 2021, Rickels was arrested in Roswell, Georgia for illegally holding a female African-American Realtor and a male African American Photographer at gun point and violently destroying professional photography equipment, following an unfounded accusation of burglary at his \$925,000 Georgia home; and

WHEREAS, according to witnesses, even though the victims had a pre-arranged appointment at the property through the First Multiple Listing Service, they were actively complying with a request to leave the property when Rickels arrived at the property, pulled a handgun and pursued them to their cars before a physical altercation took place; and

WHEREAS, the victims had received the request to leave the property less than 10 minutes prior to Rickels’ arriving on scene; and

WHEREAS, prior to and following this incident, Rickels has a history of demeaning behavior and the use of verbally abusive language, particularly toward women and minorities; and

WHEREAS, due to the behavior of Rickels and his subsequent arrest, Mayor Wayman Newton terminated the employment of Jason Rickels in April, 2021 for Commission of a Criminal Offense and Conduct Unbecoming an Officer; and

~~**WHEREAS**, following Rickels’ termination by Mayor Wayman Newton, the City Council of the City of Tarrant were negligent in their duties and ignored their obligation to affirm his termination, instead choosing to put their personal motives and~~

~~political hatred of the Mayor over the safety and wellbeing of the citizens they represent;~~
and

WHEREAS, approximately two years after his arrest Jason Rickels chose to settle the Georgia incident with a monetary payout rather than face further criminal action; and

WHEREAS, currently the City of Council has before them a second opportunity to affirm the original termination of Jason Rickels' and reaffirm their commitment to protecting the citizens of Tarrant; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Tarrant should not have to live in fear of a racist and misogynist Public Official that is tasked with, in this case, saving their lives and the lives of their children; and

WHEREAS, it is requested that the City Council of the City of Tarrant take immediate action reaffirming the original termination of Jason Rickels due to his conduct unbecoming an officer of the City of Tarrant.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tarrant, **Alabama** while in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Tarrant does hereby immediately affirm the original termination of Jason Rickels from the position of Fire Chief of the City of Tarrant, for conduct unbecoming an officer of the City of Tarrant. Any and all claims for payment of backpay, vacation, sick time, etc. are hereby forfeited.

ADOPTED this the 6th day of January, 2024.

APPROVED: _____
WAYMAN NEWTON, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

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JEFFERSON COUNTY)

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Witness my hand and seal of office this 6th day of January, 2024.

Laverne Knight, City Clerk

Cancelled. No Quorum.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TARRANT, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION NO. 9249

A RESOLUTION APPROVING OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ADEN MARKET, LLC AND THE CITY OF TARRANT FOR UNPAID TAXES.

WHEREAS, Aden Market, LLC, a business that operated within the City of Tarrant ("City") timely filed a Notice of Appeal with the Alabama Tax Tribunal in the cause styled Aden Market, LLC v. City of Tarrant, 22-113-JP (the "Appeal") with respect to a final assessment of sales taxes entered against Aden Market for the period of September 1, 2016, through September 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, by and through Avenu Insights & Analytics, who handled the City's business license and sales tax collection at the time, contracted with Webb, McNeill, Walker, PC to pursue the business license / sales tax collection; and

WHEREAS, having engaged in discovery and all relevant pre-trial appeals on the matter, the Parties were able to reach a proposed settlement to resolve any past-due taxes from Aden Market, LLC, by and through its sole member, agreed to resolve the appeal according to the terms attached in Exhibit "A" which is incorporated as if fully set out herein in order to avoid any continued expense, and avoid uncertainty of outcome; and

WHEREAS, the unpaid amount of the resolution is for the full taxes owed over the time-reference of the appeal; and

WHEREAS, having considered same, and upon advice of the City's counsel handling the appeal, Mr. Mark Cowell of Webb, McNeill, & Walker, PC, the City Council finds the settlement agreement fair and reasonable under the circumstances, its approval of same, and authorize the execution of the attached settlement agreement by the Mayor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tarrant, Alabama, at a regular meeting on Monday, January 5, 2025, at 7:00pm a quorum being present as follows:

Section 1. The above-stated preamble is hereby adopted and incorporated as if fully set out herein.

Section 2. The City Council hereby approves and ratifies the attached Settlement Agreement by and between Aden Market, LLC and the City of Tarrant, Alabama.

Section 3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and passage.

Adopted this the 6th day of January, 2025.

Wayman A. Newton, Mayor

Attest: _____
Laverne Knight, Ph.D.
City Clerk

Exhibit A
Settlement Agreement

Cancelled. No Quorum.

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Witness my hand and seal of office this the ____ day of January, 2025.

Laverne Knight, Ph.D.
City Clerk

Cancelled. No Quorum.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TARRANT, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION NO. 9250

A RESOLUTION REINSTATING JASON RICKELS AS FIRE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF TARRANT BY ORDER OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD OF JEFFERSON COUNTY.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Tarrant, Alabama, at a regular meeting on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 7:00pm a quorum being present as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the order of the Personnel Board of Jefferson County ("PBJC") (a copy of order is attached as Exhibit "A" to this Resolution), Jason Rickels be and is hereby immediately reinstated as Fire Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Tarrant.

Section 2. In compliance with the order, the City shall reinstate Rickels to the position and his rate of pay (including all cost-of-living adjustments) to which he had as of April 12, 2021. Additionally, all of Rickels sick leave and vacation / personal leave time are reinstated from April 12, 2021, to present subject to section 3 below.

Section 3. In addition to the current rate of pay and deductions for taxes, retirement, etc., Rickels shall be entitled to back pay in the amount of his rate of pay from April 12, 2021, through July 13, 2021, and then May 10, 2022, through present (including all cost of living adjustments) less interim earnings from other employment Rickels held during the time of the pending appeal. (This specifically excludes pay during the time Rickels's personnel action was stayed upon his motion from July 13, 2021, through May 10, 2022.)

Section 4. As the City Council is the appointing authority for the position of fire chief, the Mayor Pro Tem and one other city councillor are hereby authorized to execute this Resolution.

Section 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the City's payroll staff who shall ensure compliance with same forthwith and send written acknowledgment of compliance to the Mayor Pro Tem, Chief Rickels, and the City Attorney.

Section 6. The City Clerk shall send certified electronic copies of this Resolution to the Personnel Board of Jefferson County as soon as is practical following its adoption.

Section 7. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and passage.

Adopted this the 6th day of January, 2025.

Signed: _____
By: _____
Its: _____

Signed: _____
By: _____
Its: _____

Attest: _____
Laverne Knight, Ph.D.
City Clerk

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Witness my hand and seal of office this the ____ day of January, 2025.

Laverne Knight, Ph.D.
City Clerk

Cancelled. No Quorum.



BEFORE THE PERSONNEL BOARD OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

JASON RICKELS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
vs.)	CASE NO. DA-2021-2336-TC
)	
CITY OF TARRANT,)	
(Fire Dept.),)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER

Jason Rickels' employment with the City of Tarrant was terminated effective April 12, 2021. Rickels timely appealed his termination to the Personnel Board. After being stayed at Rickels request¹, his appeal was heard before a Hearing Officer on July 28, 2022. The Hearing Officer recommended the City's decision to terminate Rickels be upheld. The Board heard additional argument at its August 25, 2022 meeting. Subsequently, the Board upheld the Hearing Officer's recommendation and thus, the City's decision to terminate Rickels.

Rickels timely appealed the Board's decision to the Circuit Court of Jefferson County. During oral argument before the three judge panel of the circuit court, Rickels, for the first time, asserted that his termination was improper under Alabama Code § 43-11-81 (1975) which provides that the mayor

may remove any officer for good cause, except those elected by the people, and fill the vacancy caused thereby permanently, if the appointment of such officer is made by the mayor, and temporarily, if such officer was elected by the council or appointed with its consent², in either of which last two cases he must report such removal and his reasons therefor to the council at its next regular meeting, when, if

¹ The matter was stayed from July 13, 2021 to May 10, 2022.

² The fire chief is an officer appointed by the City Council. Ala. Code § 11-43-5 (1975).

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the council shall sustain the act of removal by the mayor by a majority vote of those elected to the council, the vacancy shall be filled as provided in this title.

The Circuit Court found that it did not have “subject matter jurisdiction to render a judgment in Rickels’ appeal.” (Order May 13, 2024 (CV-2022-902602).

Because the Section 11-43-81 issue was not raised before the Personnel Board, the Personnel Board ordered the matter assigned to a Hearing Officer to address the Ala. Code § 11-43-81 issue and its impact, if any, on the disciplinary action taken against Jason Rickels and what remedy, if any, to which Rickels may be entitled. This hearing was held on September 26, 2024.

The City of Tarrant argued that the Mayor complied with the first part of the statute by placing, in the council’s meeting packet for the first meeting after Rickels’ termination, a copy of a press release addressing Rickels’ termination. Three council members testified at the September 26, 2024 hearing, they testified that they did not receive the press release or did not recall receiving it. The City presented no evidence that the Council voted at that council meeting to sustain the mayor’s termination. Three council members testified that no such vote was taken.


The City argued that failure to comply with Section 11-43-81 was a procedural due process argument that Rickels waived by failing to raise with the City or the Personnel Board. This argument was previously raised and rejected by the Circuit Court.

All three Tarrant City Council members who testified at the September 26, 2024 hearing requested this Board send the matter back to the Council for resolution. The Hearing Officer recommended “the matter be returned to the City of Tarrant for compliance with Alabama Code § 11-43-81 and such further action as seems fit.” The Board upholds the recommendation of the Hearing Officer. Pending compliance with § 11-43-81, Rickels’ employment with the City of Tarrant is reinstated, with the benefits to which he would have been entitled had he not been terminated. Rickels’ back pay, if any, is limited to the amount of compensation he would have

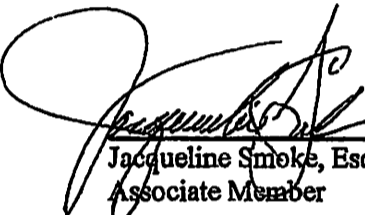
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received less interim earnings. The City of Tarrant will need to address the employment of its current fire chief, who has completed his probationary period in that position in June 2024.³ Going forward, the City of Tarrant is required to attach a council resolution to any personnel action form related to the employment of the fire chief, or any other position for which the Council has appointment authority.

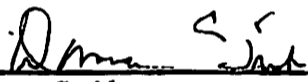
Done this 7th day of November, 2024.


Hon. L. Kenneth Moore
Chairman

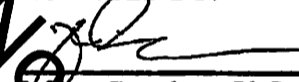
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Jacqueline Smoke, Esq.
Associate Member

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Donna Smith
Associate Member

Favor
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ATTESTED BY:

Jeffrey Crenshaw, Ph.D.
Director of Personnel

Cancelled.
NO QUORUM.

³ The City Council voted unanimously on June 5, 2023 to appoint its current fire chief. (See Resolution 9020).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing corrected Order upon all parties and counsel of record in this cause by electronic mail or placing a copy of same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows on this the 7th day of November 2024.

Case No. DA-2021-2336.01-TC: Jason Rickels vs. City of Tarrant (Fire Department)

(Email)

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Thadden Smith

Employee Relations Manager

Cancelled. No Quorum.

Cancelled
Attachment
No Quorum.

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**PERSONNEL BOARD OF JEFFERSON COUNTY
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA**

IN RE:)
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JASON RICKELS)
)
Complainant,)
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v.)
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)CASE NO: DA-2021-2336.01-TC
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)
CITY OF TARRANT)
(FIRE DEPARTMENT),)
)
Respondent)

HEARING OFFICER'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

The Complainant was Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Tarrant, Alabama. He was terminated from this position on or about April 12, 2021. On or about April 21, 2021, the Complainant filed an appeal with the Jefferson County Personnel Board (Board). The Appeal was accepted by the Board and a Hearing Officer was assigned to hear the merits of the case in accordance with Act No. 248, Ala. Acts 1945 as amended also known as the Enabling Act. On or about July 13, 2021, the Complainant filed a Motion to Stay the proceedings, pending outcome of his criminal charges. The Motion was granted and the matter was held in abeyance until May 10, 2022. The Hearing Officer submitted a Report of Findings and Recommendation upholding the decision of the Department Head. On or about August 25, 2022, the Board entered an Order affirming the recommendation of the Hearing Officer. On or about August 31, 2022, the Complainant filed an appeal with the Circuit Court of Jefferson County. On or about February 8, 2024, the 3-judge panel held a hearing, the Complainant raised an issue, for the first time that the City failed to comply

with Ala. Code §11-43-81 which reads: *The Mayor shall be the chief executive officer, and shall have general supervision and control of all other officers and the affairs of the city or town, except as otherwise provided in this title. He shall have the power to appoint all officers whose appointment is not otherwise provided for by law. He may remove any officer for good cause, except those elected by the people and fill the vacancy caused thereby, permanently, if the appointment of such officer is made by the mayor, and temporarily, if such officer was elected by the council or appointed with its consent, in either of which cases he must report such removal and his reasons therefor to the council at its next regular meeting, when, if the council shall sustain the act of removal by the majority vote of those elected to the council, the vacancy shall be filled as provided in this title.* The Court ordered that all parties submit a brief as to the jurisdictional issue. On or about May 13, 2024, the Honorable 3-Judge panel (in a 2-1 decision) ruled that it did not have subject matter jurisdiction to hear the matter because the statute was not complied with and dismissed the matter. The Court gave no instructions to accompany the ruling, nor did it remand the case back to the Personnel Board. The Personnel Board, however, issued an Order on May 23, 2024, stating that a Hearing officer be assigned and address the Ala. Code §11-43-81 issue and its impact, if any, on the disciplinary action taken against Jason Rickels and what remedy, if any, to which The Complainant may be entitled. No other issues or the merits of the case were to be addressed. This was a case of first impression for the Jefferson County Personnel Board.

The Hearing Officer received testimony from Mayor Waymon Newton for the Respondent and Councilmember John Bryant, Councilmember Cathy Anderson, Councilmember Veronica Bandy and the Complainant, Jason Rickels for the Complainant.

Mayor Waymon Newton - testified that he satisfied the notification requirement of the statute by placing a copy of the press release of the Complainant's termination in the council packet for the next council meeting. There was no requirement that the council must act. At a subsequent council meeting, councilman John Bryant attempted to reinstate the Complainant; however, the matter was tabled by another councilmember. A resolution to appoint the current fire chief was approved and passed by the city council by a unanimous vote on June 5, 2023. On cross-examination, the witness was asked if there was really a vacancy in which he replied, yes. He furthered testified that there was no specific formality by which he was required to notify the council. **Respondent rests.**

John Bryant – the witness is a member of the City of Tarrant, AL City Council and has been so for 17 years. He testified that it is his understanding that the mayor has the right to fire for good cause. At the next meeting, the person has a right to come to the next meeting and state their side and then the counsel will take action. He doesn't recall being notified of the termination by the mayor. He learned of the termination from a citizen who monitors the City's Facebook page about things that are going on in the City. He brought up the resolution to reinstate the Complainant and back pay; the council tabled the matter and it never came up again. He's seen the press release before; but he doesn't know when. There were no official procedures regarding placing items on the council agenda, just usually receive the council packet about 24 hours before the meeting.

Cathy Anderson – the witness is a member of the City of Tarrant, AL City Council and has been so for approximately 12 years. She learned of the Complainant's termination via FaceBook. She does not recall seeing the press release inside the council packet. The council never took a vote to terminate the Complainant. They will have done so via resolution. The Complainant was not terminated by the council; but by the mayor. She

agrees with the ruling of the Circuit Court. She would like the matter returned to the city for action. Upon cross-examination, she admitted that she introduced the resolution to appoint the current Fire Chief. She saw the Facebook post before the council meeting. Citizens came to the next meeting after the Complainant's termination complaining about the termination and the council went into executive session. However, during the executive session, they did not discuss the Complainant's termination. She does not remember what they discussed.

Veronica Bandy – the witness is a City of Tarrant, AL City Council and has been so for approximately 4 years. She testified that she received the press release from a citizen and doesn't remember seeing it in her council packet. She did not vote to terminate the Complainant. That would have been done by resolution. Any council member may place an item on the council meeting agenda. She did not place the matter on the agenda because she was new to the council at the time and was just trying to learn and just went along with other council members. She voted to appoint the new fire chief.

Jason Rickels – the witness is the Complainant in this matter. He testified that he was improperly terminated and he was not given due process. Upon cross examination, the witness testified that he never went to the council meeting to discuss his termination. When completing the appeal packet, he marked "all state laws" and Due Process-failure of timely serve. He has not been served with termination papers yet. He did not attend a pre-hearing conference. Upon re-direct, the witness testified that he was never invited to council meeting to discuss his termination. **Complainant rests.**

The Respondent submitted Exhibits R-1 and R-2. The Complainant submitted no exhibits. The Hearing Officer submitted Exhibit HO-1.

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The Jefferson County Personnel Board was created pursuant to Act No. 248, Ala. Acts 1945 (hereinafter referred to, as amended, as “the Act”), and is also known as the Enabling Act. The Jefferson County Personnel Board is empowered by the legislation under Section 2 of the Act to exercise “control, by rules and regulations and practices..., of all employees and appointees holding positions in the classified service of Jefferson County and its municipalities having populations of over 2,500 people. Under Section 22 of the Act, a dismissed municipal employee “may within ten days after notice [] appeal from the action of the appointing authority by filing with the Board and the appointing authority a written answer to the [disciplinary] charges” against the employee, after which the Board *must* “order a public hearing of such charges” before itself or a hearing officer, Ex parte Chambers v. City of Birmingham, 137 So. 3d 912. The Complainant’s employment with the City of Tarrant was terminated effective April 12, 2021. The Complainant timely appealed his termination to the Personnel Board. The Board assigned the matter to a Hearing Officer as it was required to do, by the Enabling Act. After holding a hearing, the Hearing Officer upheld the termination of the Complainant. The Board confirmed the recommendation of the Hearing Officer (all dates listed above). The Complainant timely appealed his case to the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama. The 3-judge panel, after reviewing the record and receiving briefs from all parties including and an amicus curiae brief from the City Council of Tarrant City, subsequently dismissed the matter for lack of subject matter jurisdiction because it believed that the Respondent had failed to comply with Ala. Code §11-43-81. The Jefferson County Board, shortly thereafter, entered an order in stating in part: “Because the issue was not raised before the Personnel Board, the record before the Board is silent regarding this issue. Consequently, the Personnel

Board orders that the matter be assigned to a Hearing Officer to address the Ala. Code § 11-43-81 issue and its impact, if any, on the disciplinary action taken against Jason Rickels and what remedy, if any, to which Rickels may be entitled. The Hearing Officer shall not hear evidence regarding the underlying conduct that led to the disciplinary action as that information was previously presented and is part of the record before the board.”


The Respondent asserts that the Complainant waived the right to assert Ala. Code §11-43-81 because it was not asserted during his initial appeal. The Respondent further asserts that the mayor complied with his portion of the statute by placing a copy of the press release in the council packet as notification and that is all that the statute requires to effectuate the termination. The Hearing Officer disagrees. The statute requires full compliance with the statute, including a notification by the mayor and an affirmation by a majority vote of the city council. The entire statute, as it relates to this termination has to be complied with. Three of the current and then city council members testified that they did not vote to terminate the Complainant. However, it is to be noted that these very same council members voted to appoint the current fire chief, with one of them actually introducing the resolution. The mayor’s position was that he did his part and the council members’ position is that they didn’t do theirs and both parties had a duty under the statute. As stated by the Jefferson County Circuit Court 3-judge panel in its Dismissal Order (noting that one of the judges dissented), all elements of the statute must be complied with, not just a portion. However, this is a catch 22 because the council that was seated 3 years ago may have had a different view of and vote on the matter than the council today.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the foregoing, it is the recommendation of this Hearing Officer that the matter be returned to the City of Tarrant for compliance with Alabama Code §11-43-81 and such

further action as seems fit. A failure to render this recommendation by this Hearing Officer would be a manifest injustice and a violation of the Complainant's fundamental rights.

Done this 9th Day of October, 2024-


Cynthia Parris Smith, Hearing Officer

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CITY OF TARRANT

VOUCHER LIST

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025

GENERAL FUND

54450-54474	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE RUN	\$ 71,524.45
54475	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE RUN	\$ 154.42
54476-54507	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE RUN	\$ 69,476.20
5072	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE RUN	\$ 5,495.04
54508-54529	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE RUN	\$ 152,829.19
NET PAYROLL		
1/3/2025	12/14/2024-12/27/2024	\$ 154,471.77

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		54453	CHK	Alsco - Birmingham	1438		12/19/2024	\$69.18
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		54456	CHK	Baker & Taylor Entertainment	208		12/19/2024	\$149.14
		54457	CHK	Bradford W. Caraway	2121		12/19/2024	\$237.50
		54458	CHK	Bsn Sports	1978		12/19/2024	\$321.38
		54459	CHK	City Of Tarrant	32		12/19/2024	\$1,027.62
		54460	CHK	Genesis Tire	1291		12/19/2024	\$35.00
		54461	CHK	Jacqueline Anderson Smith	1851		12/19/2024	\$414.06
		54462	CHK	Leadson Inc	861		12/19/2024	\$6,049.00
		54463	CHK	Lehman Harris	2003		12/19/2024	\$1,040.00
		54464	CHK	Regional Training Institute RTI	3244		12/19/2024	\$2,212.00
		54465	CHK	Republic Services M (O) & MSW	2033		12/19/2024	\$2,629.03
		54466	CHK	Robert J Young Company	1681		12/19/2024	\$897.23
		54467	CHK	Sansom Equipment Co., Inc	59		12/19/2024	\$3,046.54
		54468	CHK	Southern States	1244		12/19/2024	\$62.00
		54469	CHK	State Of Alabama Department	883		12/19/2024	\$115.55
		54470	CHK	Tarrant Board Of Education	164		12/19/2024	\$1,397.45
		54471	CHK	Texas Life Insurance Co.	1801		12/19/2024	\$199.55
		54472	CHK	United Way Of Central Alabama	241		12/19/2024	\$20.00
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54502	CHK	State Of Alabama Department	883		01/02/2025	\$115.55
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54511	CHK	Amman Capital Services	1902		01/06/2025	\$142.83
54512	CHK	At & T	407		01/06/2025	\$192.16
54513	CHK	Atkins & Gebish	1996		01/06/2025	\$1,984.07
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54515	CHK	Best Wings & Deli	3402		01/06/2025	\$187.00
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