

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
February 5, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:07 p.m., Tuesday, February 5, 2013. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk Gina Antolini to call roll.

Present: Leslie Whiting
Barbara Moore
Ricky Ruston
Kim King
Ouida Mayfield
Mayor Handley

Absent: None

The record reflects that a quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: – January 15, 2013 – Regular Meeting.
- B. Approval for City Clerk Gina Antolini to use the city credit card for accommodations and meals while in attendance at the Master Municipal Clerks Institute in Tuscaloosa, February 27-March 1, 2013, not to exceed \$500.00.

Council member Whiting moved to approve the consent agenda with a correction to the year on the minutes (listed as 2012) and Council member Ruston seconded and the consent agenda was approved by a vote of all members of the council present.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Library-Director Dutcha Lawson gave an update on programming and the Mayor discussed her use of marketing tools.

Street, Sanitation and Park-Allen Reynolds gave an update on grass cutting, preparation for Cowboy Day and his new office at the shop. Council member Whiting asked about a light near Howard Tire that was out and Johnny Howard, Jr. said actually there are four lights out and Allen indicated he would take care of them.

Waste Water-Dale Lucas gave an update on Hwy 47 pump repair and the savings on the project from utilizing city crews to do some of the work. At a future council meeting he would like the engineer utilized by Waste Water to make a presentation.

Fire-Johnny Howard, Jr.-The vehicle donated to the department is repaired and ready to road test. The mayor asked what the plan was for the vehicle and the chief stated it would replace the assistant chief's vehicle, whose vehicle would be moved to Rodney Reed and Rodney's current vehicle would be auctioned. The chief also reported on the Recycling Unlimited fire (no total cost yet). The mayor thanked the fire department for assistance in putting up the flag and notice was made of the department's "Santa visits" as referenced in the Shelby County Reporter.

Mayor Handley thanked Police, Fire, Street and Sewer for all the maintenance performed internally that resulted in savings to the City.

Police-Chief Vick will be attending the Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Montgomery which will be attended by 350-400 chiefs. The chief indicated that liability for departments, communication and the opportunities to benefit from the communication is a benefit of attending the training. The summer conference will be in Orange Beach. He reported that counterfeiting is still an issue and reported on the passing of dispatcher, Debra Hall on January 18th. Graffiti is still an issue. Newly hired Police Officer Peavy stopped by and was introduced to the Council. Council member Whiting asked about the weather sirens and the chief stated there were four that were currently not working and they were attempting to get them functional, replacing batteries usually was what was needed, but discussed the difficulty in finding someone to perform repairs on the sirens.

Administration-City Clerk Gina Antolini reported on business license season and that she would be attending the Master Municipal Clerk Institute the end of February and would report back to the Council at the council meeting following.

RESOLUTION 01-13-08 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SOUTH SHELBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Council member Ruston introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-13-08

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE SOUTH SHELBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enter into a contract with South Shelby Chamber of Commerce, to assist the City in promoting economic development and general promotion of the City, which contract is before this Council;
2. That the City will pay the South Shelby Chamber of Commerce an annual payment of \$5,500.00 in consideration for services provided according to the contract.
3. That the contract be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.
4. That it be attested by the Clerk and the seal of the City affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the contract by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

THEREUPON Council member King moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 01-13-09 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH GREATER SHELBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 01-13-09

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE GREATER SHELBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enter into a contract with Greater Shelby Chamber of Commerce, to assist the City in promoting economic development and general promotion of the City, which contract is before this Council;
2. That the City will pay the Greater Shelby Chamber of Commerce an annual payment of \$5,000.00 in consideration for services provided according to the contract.
3. That the contract be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.
4. That it be attested by the Clerk and the seal of the City affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of the execution of the contract by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

THEREUPON Council member Whiting moved and Council member King seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION – 02-13-01 AUTHORIZING THE MUTUAL AID CONTRACT BETWEEN SHELBY COUNTY AND THE COLUMBIANA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Council member Ruston introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 02-13-01

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the City enter into a contract with Shelby County for the Columbiana Volunteer Fire Department to provide fire emergency response services within the associated fire coverage area in Shelby County for a period of one year as outlined in the contract, which agreement is before this Council;

2. That the City accepts payment in the amount of \$6,000.00 in consideration for the services provided by the Columbiana Volunteer Fire Department and agrees to utilize the funds according to the conditions of the contract.
3. That the agreement be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by the Mayor and the Fire Chief.
4. That it be attested by the Clerk and the seal of the City affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

THEREUPON Council member Moore moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 02-13-02 AMENDING THE 2013 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Council member King introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 02-13-02

AMENDING THE FY 2013 BEGINNING BUDGET AS THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FY 2013

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council amended the FY2012 budget in Resolution 08-12-03 and subsequently passed Resolution 09-12-12 as the Beginning Budget for Fiscal Year 2013, on September 18, 2012; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the City Council to approve a budget that is consistent with the revenue and expenditures reflecting their priorities for the City of Columbiana, and

WHEREAS, the new administration has reviewed the amended budget as prepared by the Mayor and Department Heads and agrees that it accurately reflects the priorities for Fiscal Year 2013.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council hereby adopts the amended FY2013 budget, amending projected revenue and expenses from \$3,876,652.78 to \$3,960,396.00 and authorizes all expenditures reflected therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any expenditure not in keeping with the budget as adopted by the City Council, be presented to the Council in resolution form for consideration, and upon approval, result in the amendment of the current budget to maintain a balanced budget.

THEREUPON Council member Whiting moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and Handley declared the same passed.

DISCUSSION – RECREATION BUILDING RENTAL FEE (Proposed Resolution 02-13-03 Recreation Building Rental Fee)

Discussion ensued regarding changing the fee on rentals at the Recreation Building and the history and reasons for the changes. The fee was changed by the Council in January of 2011, from \$50 to \$100, and in October of 2011 from \$100 to \$200. A resolution has been drafted by the city clerk to return the fee to \$100 based on previous council discussion. The council was presented with comparison rental costs for facilities in other municipalities as compiled by Lisa Lively and the comparison was included in the discussion. The Mayor and Lisa Lively will review the current rental agreement and also look at possible changes and report back at the next council meeting.

MAYOR’S REPORT

The mayor reported that Lee Bryant is working on preliminary plans for the pavilion and they will be brought before the council at a future meeting. The mayor reported on the visit of the first lady of the state, Diane Bentley, to Columbiana for the Fashion Show sponsored by the Culture, Vignette and Novella Clubs on Saturday the 2nd and the attendance was over 300, largely due to her presence as emcee. He also reported on the Shelby County birthday celebration at the Historical Museum on Sunday the 3rd and thanked the Police and Fire departments for “looking good and performing well.”

The mayor reported that he would like to make an appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill the vacancy created by John Jones’ resignation. He previously indicated that he would ask Rick Williams if he was willing to serve and report back to the council and at this time requested the council add this item to the agenda.

Council member Mayfield moved to approve the appointment of Rick Williams to the Planning and Zoning Commission to fill the un-expired term of John Jones, term to expire 10/01/2014. Council member Whiting seconded and the motion passed by a vote of all members of the Council and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Mayor Handley reported on preparations for the fifth annual Cowboy Day, February 16th. The events will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the parade at 1:00 p.m. No motors, only animal driven entries. He reported on the ATRIPS project, a \$200,000 project with a city share of \$40,000, if approved.

The mayor would like the council to tour each city department and discussed a tour of the treatment plant in June.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Whiting advised he would not be at the February 19th council meeting as his son will be home from Iraq. He also reported on the success of the SCHS basketball team, 25-5

Rescue 88 gave a report on calls (193), transports (80) and the number of city residents (40) served and upon request by the mayor the date they began the transport business, July of 2010.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Conn expressed thanks for the documents being included on the website and asked if the budget would be there as well and the City Clerk indicated that it would.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council member Ruston moved that the meeting be adjourned, Council member Whiting seconded and the motion passed by vote of all members of the council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.