

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
Tuesday, May 3, 2011**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:35 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2011. Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order and asked that the record reflect that all Council members were in attendance and declared a quorum.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Approval of Minutes: April 19, 2011 – Pre-Council; Regular Meeting.

There being no objections, Mayor Lowe declared the consent approved as presented.

**PROCLAMATION – LISA CHRISTIE DAY**

**Mayor Lowe issued the following proclamation:**

**Lisa Christie Day**

April 23, 2011

By the Mayor of the City of Columbiana, Alabama

**A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING “LISA CHRISTIE DAY” AND HONORING DREAM  
GIRLS ALLOWED AND BONNIE WILLIAMS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana recognizes and cherishes each of our children as an immeasurable gift from Our Lord; and

**WHEREAS**, Dream Girls Allowed has made the awareness of girls of all ages to their true potential and ability to achieve their desires their mission statement; and

**WHEREAS**, Lisa Christie, Mrs. America 1997-1998, has, through her focus on her goals, commitment to preparation and success, and determination to achieve her dreams, given herself as a worthy role model to our city’s young ladies, some of whom have yet to realize that their beauty comes from within as they begin to understand the true value of their preciousness as God sees them; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Lisa Christie’s personal relationship with God Almighty has brought her to this moment today and serves as proof that the Lord will crown with success those goals that are pleasing to Him;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011, shall now and forevermore be known as

“LISA CHRISTIE DAY”

In the City of Columbiana, Alabama, and that Dream Girls Allowed and Lady Bonnie Williams are recognized with appreciation for their efforts to assist our city’s future wives, mothers and community leaders in becoming ladies of integrity and faith.

**PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

**Mayor Lowe issued the following proclamation:**

**National Day of Prayer**

May 5, 2011

By the Mayor of the City of Columbiana, Alabama

**WHEREAS**, a National Day of Prayer was first proclaimed in 1775 as recognition by our Founding Fathers of the need for God to be central in the establishing and continuing of this great Nation, signed into Constitutional Law for these United States in 1952; and

**WHEREAS**, the Founding Fathers of this Nation established public and private prayer as a valued declaration of a Nation who believes in God and who is freely allowed to and encouraged to exercise this belief in God through the means of practical prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans come together in churches, temples, synagogues, and other places of worship, to pray for peace, wisdom and guidance in their lives and in the lives of their loved ones; and

**WHEREAS**, today, people from across the country of different denominations and backgrounds come together in their shared vision of a better world and their belief in the power of prayer to make a positive impact on us all; and

**WHEREAS**, as a community, it is fitting that we gather together in a day of prayer and ask for God’s guidance and to remember that a day of prayer is not a solemn day, but a day of joy, renewal and hope.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, J. Allan Lowe, the Mayor of the City of Columbiana, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2011, as “NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER” in the City of Columbiana and urge all citizens to join together in prayer that in the spirit of trust, cooperation and goodwill, we may beseech God for the strength and wisdom to make our community an even better place to live.

**RESOLUTION 05-11-01 CHANGING THE SCOPE OF GRANT SCPR-S09-05  
(FORMERLY SUMMER CLASSICS GRANT)**

Council member Seale introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 05-11-01**

**ACCEPTING PARK AND RECREATION GRANT SCPR-S09-05**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana accepted the Shelby County Park and Recreation Grant in the amount of \$ 30,000.00 awarded by the Shelby County Commission for the purpose of renovation of the existing Summer Classics building for use as a public pavilion, by Resolution 08-09-04, on August 18, 2009 during its regular council meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana requested a change of scope of that grant, to complete a fencing project for Lewis Field, Bolton Field, Columbiana Sports Complex and the City Tennis Courts, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor by contact with the Shelby County Commission has received approval to proceed with the fencing project and change the scope of the grant, with the total of the project not to exceed \$33,400.00, and requires that all documents necessary for reimbursement be submitted to the Shelby County Commission no later than July 31, 2011, and

**WHEREAS**, a quote for the fencing was submitted by Grounds Maintenance Plus, to include fencing at Lewis Field, Bolton Field, Columbiana Sports Complex and the City Tennis Courts, in the amount of \$23,820.00, with additional supporting work to be completed by the City of Columbiana, part of which will serve as the City matching requirement (50%).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Columbiana City Council, the Council hereby authorizes a change of scope of the grant agreement between the Shelby County Commission and the City of Columbiana and authorizes the project to proceed with Public Works Director Hilry King as the manager of the project and authorizes the City Clerk to remit payments to the contractor as appropriate invoices are submitted, to include payment for materials necessary for the project to commence.

**THEREUPON** Council member Mayfield moved and Council member Seale 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 05-11-02 SALES TAX HOLIDAY 2011**

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION 05-11-02**

#### **AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA IN THE 2010 SALES TAX HOLIDAY**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Columbiana, Alabama wishes to participate in the State of Alabama Sales Tax Holiday beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 5, 2011 and ending at twelve midnight on Sunday, August 7, 2011.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the Council hereby provides for the exemption of city sales tax on “covered items” from municipal sales during the same time period, under the same terms, conditions and definitions as required by Sales Tax Holiday Rule 810-6-3-.65 and Code of Alabama 1975, §11-51-210(e).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the Council will consider participation in the State of Alabama Sales Tax Holiday on an annual basis.

**THEREUPON** Council member Seale moved and Council member Abrams 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 05-11-03 ABC LICENSE REQUEST – DOLLAR GENERAL**

Council member Handley introduced the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION 05-11-03**

### **RESOLUTION FOR ABC LICENSE FOR DOLLAR GENERAL – RETAIL BEER AND WINE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana has received an application from DolGenCorp, LLC, through the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board requesting a retail beer (off premise) 050 and retail wine (off premise) 070; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana recognizes that this business has complied with the requirements of the State of Alabama to obtain such licenses;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council of the City of Columbiana does hereby grant the request and charge the City Clerk with providing a letter to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board indicating their approval of the license request.

**THEREUPON** Council member Strickland moved and Council member Handley 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.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mayor Lowe announced that a standing council work session would be held immediately following the second council meeting of each month. The project scheduled for April 30, involving the cleaning up of the City cemetery has been re-scheduled to allow the participants to assist with storm related relief. The Shelby County overflow parking will be used this weekend (May 7-8) and next weekend (May 14-15) for relief efforts.

Council member Abrams – Update on the clean up project of the cemetery on Old Highway 25.

Public Works Director Hilry King advised that a bid opening will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2011 regarding the sidewalk work on Thompson and Depot streets, for crews to perform replacement. The City will remove the sidewalks and furnish materials. He also expressed concern regarding current employees' pay not being competitive with potential contract workers and requested to meet with the Public Works committee to discuss that.

Council member Mayfield questioned Mr. King about abandoned buildings and he responded to her concerns.

The Council had discussion regarding the tornadoes, the City's preparedness, the use of the storm shelters, how other municipalities had fared and where the City could assist and the desire to provide some assistance on behalf of the City. Fire Chief Johnny Howard, Jr. advised that five fire-fighters assisted with efforts in Shoal Creek. Council member Handley suggested assisting with garbage pick up in Eoline, as they are a smaller municipality and have not received the attention that some areas have. Mayor Lowe, Council members Mayfield and Seale, all stated that several churches were collection

points and expressed a desire to get the word out and to facilitate collection in some way. City Clerk Antolini suggested that the League would be an excellent source since they have been e-mailing to all mayors and clerks regarding the efforts and needs.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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