

**City of Columbiana**  
**Pre-Council Meeting**

**February 21, 2012**

**MINUTES**

The members of the Columbiana City Council conducted a pre-council meeting with Mayor Lowe presiding. The meeting was held at Columbiana City Hall in the Conference Room at 5:30 p.m.

The following members were present: Frieda Abrams, Stancil Handley, Jim Strickland, Ouida Mayfield and Tom Seale.

The following members were absent: None.

Mayor Lowe advised that Eric Womack, Shelby County Developmental Services and Bill Justice, Wallace, Ellis, Fowler, Head and Justice were there to present the proposed redistricting map and to answer any questions.

Erick Womack discussed the methodology in developing the new ward lines and the effect of the prison population. He stated that the re-districting they would be submitting would exclude the prison population and there had been some precedent for that.

Bill Justice, as the City Attorney, said that while the Department of Justice had made no official statement, there had been situations where the exclusion was allowed. He also recommended a public hearing be held and the Mayor set one for March 6, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., at the beginning of the regular council meeting.

Mayor Lowe reviewed the agenda. The following items were also discussed:

- Item 8 was removed from the agenda due to some confusion by Council member Handley regarding the terms and the request to have Rick Hayes attend the next council meeting to answer questions was made.
- Police Chief Lamar Vick reported that Marilyn Campbell has resigned as a part time on-call dispatcher and he possibly had another who would be resigning. Also, he has hired Angela Bunn Frederick as a part time on-call dispatcher and she is going through training.
- Allen Reynolds reported that he was interviewing to replace Michael Smith, who resigned.
- Council member Strickland reported that the Finance committee had met and recommended no change on the mini-storage business license structure but that it could be reviewed prior to the next business license season and that no change was recommended on the Mayor/Council salary ordinance. He also reported on the Public Works Committee meeting and that he had met with Mr. King and that certain duties would be permanently re-assigned and some adjustments to salary

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- would be made within Public Works and that the City Clerk would be handling Board appointments.
- The change of graduation location and date for Shelby County High was discussed and the Council requested that Mayor Lowe advise the principal of the City's position on it. Mayor Lowe said he would prepare a letter to the principal for the next council meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.