

City of Columbiana
Pre-Council Meeting

September 4, 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 6:00 p.m.

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

The following members were absent: None.

Mayor Lowe reviewed the agenda.

A finance committee report was provided by Council member Strickland and the following recommendations were made:

- Purchase of the “Columbiana Cleaners” building-no recommendation to purchase property-recommended proceeding with abatement
- City Sign-discussion regarding the 2 lines versus the 4 lines (current) sign. Vendors had only quoted on a two line sign and the recommendation for further exploration by the new administration was made but that a 4 line content sign should be pursued. The \$5,000 included in the current budget should be increased to approximately \$15,000 for the appropriate sign.
- Recommendation to carry over the current year budget and allow the new administration to prepare a budget consistent with their goals.

Department head reports:

Administration-City Clerk Gina Antolini-Followed up the recommendation of Council member Strickland to concur that after talking prior to the meeting with the Mayor and the Mayor-elect as well as the finance committee, she would be proceeding with the budget amendment, delayed from August for the next council meeting and also including a resolution to carry over the newly amended budget.

Waste Water-Dale Lucas submitted the proposals for the Rabren project and requested that action be taken. Council member Strickland and Council member Seale agreed to add to the agenda and asked that Resolution 09-12-10 Award of Rabren Sewer Project be added as item 7 on the regular agenda.

Mayor Lowe, at the request of Police Chief Lamar Vick, addressed a request to donate sick leave from employees to Debra Hall, who has exhausted her leave. Discussion

City of Columbiana
Pre-Council Meeting

ensued and in the absence of a donated sick leave policy, the Mayor and Council concurred that based upon checking with the City Auditor John DeLoach, employees would be allowed to donate time to Debra Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M.