

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
September 18, 2012**

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, September 18, 2012. Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk Gina Antolini to let the record reflect that all Council members were in attendance and declared a quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: September 4, 2012 – Special Called Meeting; Pre-Council; Regular Meeting.
- B. Re-Appointment of Johnny Farr to the Columbiana Water Board. Term to expire July 17, 2018.
- C. Approval for City Clerk Gina Antolini to use the City credit card for meals and accommodations while attending the Master Municipal Clerk Institute, October 24-26, 2012, in Tuscaloosa, not to exceed \$700.00.
- D. Approval for Revenue Officer Joanna Seale to use the City credit card for meals and accommodations while attending the Alabama Municipal Revenue Officers Re-Certification Institute, October 10-12, 2012, in Tuscaloosa, not to exceed \$500.00.

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

RESOLUTION 08-12-03 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 08-12-03

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2012 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

WHEREAS, the City Council has by resolution and during regular council meetings approved expenditures that were not included in the approved 2012 Fiscal Year budget, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has granted the authority of the departments to proceed with the expenditures, and in order to maintain a balanced budget, an amendment is necessary to reflect the changes in revenues and expenditures since the approval of the Fiscal Year 2012 budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Clerk to make the necessary amendment to the Fiscal Year 2012 budget effective immediately, increasing revenue and expenditures from \$3,761,864.45, to \$3,786,652.78 in anticipated revenue and expenditures, resulting in a balanced budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk has presented the City Council with an updated budget reflecting these changes and has submitted it with the resolution and a copy is herewith attached.

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

RESOLUTION 09-12-11 ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF ADEM RECYCLING GRANT

Council member Seale introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 09-12-11

ACCEPTING AWARD OF ADEM ALABAMA RECYCLING FUND GRANT

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Environmental Management implemented a \$1 per ton fee on the disposal of solid wastes in Alabama landfills, and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana submitted an application on March 1, 2012, and as one of 25 applicants for funding totaling over \$4,000,000, was awarded a grant, in the amount of \$7,246.00, with no City matching fund requirement, to provide recycling opportunities to the City and,

WHEREAS, the following are included in the itemized budget as approved by Alabama Department of Environmental Management:

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| 1. 6 yd. Collection Container (2) | \$1,802.00 |
| 2. Newspaper Collection Bin (1) | \$ 999.00 |
| 3. Outdoor Double Recycling Bins (5) | \$2,995.00 |
| 4. Outdoor Plastic Bag Collection Bin | \$ 500.00 |
| 5. Freight Charges (for above) | \$ 950.00 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbiana City Council, the Council hereby authorizes Mayor Allan Lowe to execute the grant agreement between the City of Columbiana and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, and authorizes City Clerk Gina Antolini, as Grants Administrator, to manage the grant and serve as the contact for ADEM, and that such agreement shall remain on file in the City Clerk's office.

THEREUPON Council member Handley 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 09-12-12 ADOPTING THE AMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET AS INITIAL FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET

Council member Strickland introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 09-12-12

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDED FY2012 BUDGET AS THE INITIAL
FY 2013 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council amended the FY2012 budget in Resolution 08-12-03; 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 will assume office on November 5, 2012 and it is the desire of the current council to delay the adoption of a formal budget and allow the new administration to set their priorities at that time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council hereby adopts the amended FY2012 budget and carries it over into FY2013, until such time the newly elected officials can prepare and adopt a budget, and to enable current programs to continue based on the FY2012 budget until that time.

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 Mayfield moved and Council member Seale seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote. Council member Handley requested to go on record that he was uncomfortable voting on the resolution without reviewing the budget. Council member Strickland addressed the carryover budget and indicated it was only a starting point for the next administration and to keep things moving in the City until the new administration could establish a budget reflective of their priorities for the City. City Clerk Antolini requested to address Council member Handley's concern and stated that the resolution to amend was purely a clean-up of approvals of the Council since the last amendment and that in order to finish out the fiscal year with a balance budget and begin the new year with the same, it was necessary. She further stated that his concerns about adequate time to review were duly noted and she would do her best to see that an adequate amount of time was allowed in future budget amendments. Several grants were a consideration and notice was not received in a timely manner to allow the budget to be distributed prior to the meeting. Mayor Lowe called for a vote on the matter and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor Lowe declared the same passed.

**RESOLUTION 09-12-13 AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND
ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF LSTA GRANT FOR COLUMBIANA PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

Council member Handley introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 09-12-13

AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF THE LIBRARY
SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT (LSTA) GRANT FROM THE ALABAMA PUBLIC
LIBRARY SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Columbiana Public Library had the opportunity to apply for grant funding through the Alabama Public Library Service for collection development, and

WHEREAS, former Library Director Laurie Hackney submitted a grant application to the Alabama Public Library Service, and current Library Director Dutcha Lawson received notification of the award of a grant, for collection development in the amount of \$7,000.00, with a local match of \$1,750.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Columbiana City Council, that the Council hereby authorizes the Columbiana Library Board chair to execute and sign the grant agreement between the Alabama Public Library Service and the City of Columbiana.

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

CITY HALL ROOF

Allen Reynolds discussed the condition of the City Hall roof and Council member Seale moved to authorize him to contact Lathan and Associates regarding the preparation of the specifications for bidding out the replacement and to ask about recommended contractors. There was discussion about the type of roof, the cost and Council member Strickland stated that it should be a top priority. City Clerk Gina Antolini advised that it would have to be bid due to the cost of the project. Council member Mayfield seconded and the motion passed by vote of all members of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Handley-Shelby County Fair is this week.

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. Mayor Lowe declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.