

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
May 6, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in a Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday May 6, 2014. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order. The Mayor then asked City Clerk Mark Frey to call roll.

Present:

Council member Barbara Moore
Council member Rickey Ruston
Council member Kim King

Council member Ouida Mayfield
Mayor Stancil Handley

Absent:

Council member Leslie Whiting

A quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: April 15, 2014 – Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes: April 27, 2014 – Council Work Session
- C. Approval of City Clerk Mark Frey to use the credit card to cover cost of meals and accommodations for Alabama Training Institute Certified Public Managers Training in Montgomery on June 2nd & 3rd. Not to exceed \$170.
- D. Successful completion of probationary period by City Clerk / Treasurer Mark Frey. Request from Policy Committee to move from Pay Grade XII, Step 5, to Pay Grade XIV, Step 5, to be effective May 17, 2014.
- E. Beautification Board nominees Nena Atchison and Jennifer Maier

Council member Mayfield moved to approve the consent agenda with corrections as noted by Mayor Handley and Council member King seconded the motion which given to a roll call vote and was approved unanimously by all members present.

Mayor Handley noted that Allen Reynolds and Helen Dean were absent due to Senior Night activities at the High School.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Library** – Dutcha Lawson reported that the renovations were almost complete at the Library and workers were finishing up with the employee restroom in the lounge and the carpet in the meeting room. Dutcha noted that there have been many positive responses by the patrons regarding the renovations.

Shelby County IT is finishing up with the installation of the new computers and wireless printer paid for in part by the LSTA grant. She noted also that the new wireless printer allows library patrons to print from their wireless phone or tablet.

The arts grant is finished up and there were 35 teens and several adults that were involved. The library will be showing the movie *Hunger Games - Catching Fire* this Thursday with free pizza. On Friday Dutcha and Teresa Whiting are also taking this movie and popcorn to the Shelby County Juvenile Detention Center – using this as an outreach for the students.

On the 15th of May, Dutcha will be going to the schools to let them know about the Library's Summer Reading Program. Mayor Handley commended Dutcha on reaching out to the students at the Detention Center and working to make our City Library one of the finest around. The Library will also be sponsoring the Reading Wizard Award for students at Elvin Hill Elementary.

- **Environmental Services** – Department Head, Dale Lucas reported that his department had purchased a 2005 F250 and installed a new bed and Auto Crane on it. The truck is a diesel and only has 88,000 miles on it. This will save his department the cost of hiring a company with a crane to come and pull the wastewater pumps out for service during the year. Dale reported that the old truck was 1990 GMC that Shelby County had given to City several years ago. The engine is in good shape and it will be used in one of the streets and maintenance trucks. Mayor Handley thanked Dale for getting this truck in lieu of a new one, resulting in saving the City approximately \$18,000.
- **Fire Department** – Fire Chief Johnny Howard reported that there had been no storm damage during the last bout of severe weather. Chief Howard noted that the guys with the Streets and Maintenance Department have done a great job cleaning up the storm shelters and getting them up to par. Scott Owen is getting a price for signage that will be located in the shelter giving instruction and shelter rules. Chief Howard is also getting prices for new signage for the fire department building.

Chief Howard said that his guys will be re-painting the purple fire hydrants around the city red after the Cancer Awareness month passes.

- **Police Department** – Chief Lamar Vick reported that his department had received a \$1000 ADECA Grant in order to run license check points during this month. Officer Matt Johnson is going to be leaving in the next couple of months because he has completed his nursing program. Chief Vick added that he will be doing interviews to prepare to fill this position in the near future.

Chief Vick also reported that he will be meeting with the company that is repairing the emergency sirens. He reported that the City should have 7 of the 8 sirens back in working order.

The annual Egg hunt was a success and his department hid over 2000 eggs. Mayor Handley commended Matt Johnson for his work and getting his RN degree.

- **Rescue** – Mark Bray reported that Rescue was on the 8th call today and they have been very busy in the last few weeks. Rescue will have a brand new back up truck for Columbiana and a new truck for Montevallo as well. This is a step towards offering a County wide response for Rescue. Columbiana’s new truck should be here in the next 120 days. Mark also noted that most of the time, there aren’t enough EMS responders and trucks to handle all of the emergencies in the south part of the County. The new trucks will help with the large volume of calls and response time.
- **Administration** – City Clerk Mark Frey reported that he had just driven back in from the annual League of Municipalities Conference in Mobile. Mr. Frey reported that the conference was very good and there were many topics taught about during the sessions that gave insight into many of the challenges of cities today, including: Economic Development, Food Trucks, Outdoor Festivals and Events, Cable TV Franchises as well as maximizing our city right of ways.

Council member Mayfield introduced Resolution 05-14-01 a Resolution Authorizing Retention of Special Counsel. Council member Mayfield moved and Council member King seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-14-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION OF SPECIAL COUNSEL TO DESIGN, MANAGE, AND PROSECUTE, ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS, THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA’S DANGEROUS BUILDINGS AND UNSAFE STRUCTURES PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Columbiana, Alabama desires that the City of Columbiana, Alabama (the “City”) enter into a professional services agreement with Hand Arendall LLC to assist the City with the remediation of dangerous buildings, unsafe structures, and other nuisances that are located within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that Hand Arendall LLC work together with all of the City’s officials, including the City Attorney, to help resolve property maintenance issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Columbiana, Alabama, while in regular session on the 6th day of May, 2014, as follows:

A. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to retain Hand Arendall LLC to represent the interests of the City in the design, management, and prosecution, as needed, of dangerous buildings and unsafe structures program, as well as to assist the City with

the remediation of other nuisances, by executing an engagement agreement and/or waiver of conflict, if applicable, to secure such representation through all potential stages, including before and after the institution of proceedings before the City Council, through trial, and all stages of appeal, if applicable; and

B. That the Mayor and such other necessary City officials are hereby authorized to execute any pleadings or other documents that may be necessary to assert and/or preserve the City's interests in connection with such representation authorized by this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE 6th DAY OF MAY, 2014.

ATTEST

Stancil Handley, Mayor

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Council member King introduced Resolution 05-14-02 a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Southeastern Attractions for Liberty Day 2014. Council member Ruston moved and Council member Moore seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 05-14-02

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHEASTERN
ATTRactions FOR LIBERTY DAY 2014

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

1. That the City enters into a contract with Southeastern Attractions, to provide entertainment and event management for the City's Liberty Day Festival, June 27-28, 2014, which contract is before this Council;
2. That the City will pay Southeastern Attractions a deposit of \$8,900.00 after the execution of the contract, and the remainder of \$8,900.00 paid on June 1, 2014 as outlined in the contract, 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.

ATTEST

Stancil Handley, Mayor

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Council member Mayfield introduced Resolution 05-14-03 a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Alabama Pyrotechnics Guild, Inc. for Liberty Day 2014. Council member King moved and Council member Moore seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 05-14-03

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ALABAMA
PYROTECHNICS GUILD, INC FOR LIBERTY DAY 2014**

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

1. That the City enters into a contract with Alabama Pyrotechnics Guild, Inc., to provide a fireworks display on Liberty Day, June 28, 2014, which contract is before this Council;
2. That the City will pay Alabama Pyrotechnics Guild, Inc. a deposit of \$3,500 after the execution of the contract and the balance of the contract, \$3,500.00 on the day of the display, 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.

ATTEST

Stancil Handley, Mayor

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution 05-14-04 a Resolution to Declare Vehicle Surplus Property. Council member King moved and Council member Ruston seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 05-14-04

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE VEHICLE SURPLUS PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana, Alabama, has certain items of personal property which are no longer needed for public or municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-43-56 of the Code of Alabama of 1975 authorizes the municipal governing body to dispose of unneeded personal property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the following personal property owned by the City of Columbiana, Alabama, is not needed for public or municipal purposes:

- 1990 GMC Truck VIN 1GDGC24K2LE531071

SECTION 2. That the city clerk be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to dispose of the personal property owned by the City of Columbiana, Alabama, described in Section 1 above, by sale via bid by posting on GovDeals, Public Auction or by appropriate destruction of such property, whichever best serves the City of Columbiana, based on the value of the listed property.

THEREUPON Council member King moved and Council member Ruston 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.

Adopted and approved this 6th day of May, 2014.

ATTEST

Stancil Handley, Mayor

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution 05-14-05 a Resolution granting a Donation for Greenhouse Project. Council member Mayfield moved and Council member King seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by vote of all members of the Council present, and Mayor declared the same passed.

RESOLUTION 05-14-05

DONATION FOR GREENHOUSE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana recognizes the contribution of the Shelby County High School's agriculture program to the community and specifically recognizes the benefit of supporting the current Greenhouse project, and wishes to assist with the cost of

the building materials for the new Greenhouse. The City Council has determined that a public purpose is served by assisting with the cost of the project as it directly improves the learning environment for all students utilizing this new facility.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana recognizes the need to raise additional funds for the purchase of a new greenhouse. The Council agrees to match, dollar-for-dollar, funds donated for this project up to \$2000.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Columbiana hereby authorizes the payment of up to \$2000 in matching funds, to be used towards the purchase of materials and supplies for the greenhouse project.

Passed, adopted and approved this 6th day of May, 2014.

ATTESTED:

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

Stancil Handley, Mayor

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Handley reported that there were approximately 40 entries in the *Name the City Park* contest and the City is on its way to have this property renamed. The contractor is preparing to remove the pavement up where the Arts Council building will be located and this project is moving full speed ahead.

Mayor Handley reported that he is seeing a sense of corporation amongst all the boards across the City. Music on Main is really taking off this year and the merchants on Main Street are doing well on Friday nights.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member King announced that the Shelby County Girls Softball team won the Area and they are going to be playing again this Friday in Troy.

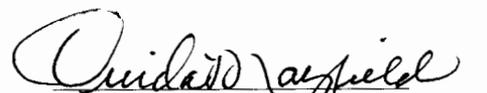
Council member Mayfield announced that the annual Columbiana Clean- Up Day would be held on Saturday June 14th from 7-11 and in the event of rain, it will be held on Saturday June 21st.

There being no further business, Council member Ruston moved that the meeting be adjourned, Council member King seconded and the motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20p.m.



J. Mark Frey, City Clerk





Ouida Mayfield, Mayor Pro Tem