

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
June 17, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in a Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:02 p.m., Tuesday June 17, 2014. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order. The Mayor then asked City Clerk Mark Frey to call roll.

Mayor Handley noted that there are several absences for this meeting, including: Chief Vick, Council member King, Dutcha Lawson, Chief Howard and a Rescue Representative.

Present:

Council member Leslie Whiting	
Council member Barbara Moore	Council member Ouida Mayfield
Council member Rickey Ruston	Mayor Stancil Handley

Absent:

Council member Kim King
A quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: June 3, 2014 – Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of City Clerk Mark Frey to use the credit card to cover cost of meals and accommodations for Auburn Training Institute Certified Public Managers Training in Montgomery on August 7th & 8th. Not to exceed \$230.

Council member Mayfield moved to approve the consent agenda and Council member Whiting seconded the motion which given to a vote and was approved unanimously by all members present.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Police Department** – Mayor Handley stated that he will give the report for Chief Vick. The Mayor reported that Chief Vick is happy with the new Police Auxiliary and it seems to be working well. The Columbiana Police Department is making a real difference in combating drug problems by recently arresting 26 people buying or selling drugs. More arrests are pending.

Mayor Handley reported that the word is getting out on the streets: Columbiana does not tolerate drug dealing. Council member Whiting added that he wants our kids to have a chance and this new effort by the Police Department is making a big difference for our community.

Mayor Handley asked the Council to take a moment to hear a report from Randall Hunt about the progress of the new Col. Robert A. Hume Scout Park located out in front of City Hall. Randall reported that they have just received their last shipment of trees and they are on

schedule to complete and dedicate the park on Liberty Day. The dedication is scheduled for 10am on June 28th. Mayor Handley commended Randal and all of the Scouts for their diligent work on this park noting that this Eagle Scout Project was the most aggressive project that he has ever seen.

Mayor Handley recognized Teresa Whiting. Teresa reported that Matt from Rescue will be heading up a Friends and Family CPR / Emergency Response program for the students at the Shelby County Detention Center.

- **Administration** – City Clerk Mark Frey reported that he had met with ADEM yesterday about City’s Recycling program. He noted that the newspaper and aluminum recycling programs have worked well with the newspaper going to the Shelby County Humane Society and the aluminum benefiting the Boy Scout’s. The plastic recycling is not working because of a lack of sorting facility and manpower to handle the sorting. The City has approximately \$11K, in the form of a grant for this year. This will be used to expand and improve our aluminum recycling program.

Mark reported that he is looking at the City budget to see if an amendment is needed. Mayor Handley added that he had talked to John DeLoach about this and John stated that an amendment may not be needed.

O’Reilly Auto Parts purchased the old CVS building and they are pulling permits to renovate now. Council member Whiting stated that the agenda needs to be out by Friday at lunch or notification given if there is a delay.

- **Environmental Services** – Department Head, Dale Lucas reported that his department is cutting the grass and hedges around the pond and yard work has been the focus due to all the rain.
- **Streets and Maintenance** – Allen Reynolds reported that all of the rain has made it difficult to keep up with grass cutting. They are preparing for Liberty Day and picking up brush with the new brush truck. His guys have taken down the tree on the Helipad approach. Mayor Handley stated that he appreciates all of the work done in preparation for Liberty Day. Council member Whiting added that the guys are doing great and always working hard when he sees them.

Mayor Handley discussed the Jeanette Niven House and the request from Parrott Structural Services to have a Structural Engineer look at the house. Shelby County does not have a structural engineer that can look at the house, so Alex Dudchock has recommended a structural engineer. There are cracks in the walls as if the building has started settling. Council member Mayfield added that Bonny Atchison, executor of the Jeanette Niven House fund, said that they will help pay for this repair project. The Council recommended that the City contact the structural engineer to take a look at what repairs are needed.

After much discussion, Council member Whiting introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION—06-14-06
ACT 2014-429

(Local Unit Retirees and Beneficiaries of Deceased Retirees)

Council member Whiting moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote. Results as follows:

Yea: Council member Leslie Whiting
Council member Barbara Moore
Council member Ouida Mayfield

Nay: Council member Rickey Ruston
Mayor Stancil Handley

The Mayor declared the resolution passed.

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION 06-14-08

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING 2013 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT

Council member Mayfield moved and Council member Whiting seconded the motion that said resolution be given a roll call vote. Results as follows:

Yea: Council member Leslie Whiting
Council member Rickey Ruston
Council member Ouida Mayfield
Mayor Stancil Handley

Nay: Council member Barbara Moore

The Mayor declared the resolution passed.

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION 06-14-09

**RESOLUTION FOR ABC LICENSE FOR BERNIE'S ON MAIN – OUTDOOR
EVENT “THE SHELBY COUNTY SHINDIG”**

Council member Ruston moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by roll call vote of all members of the Council present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION 06-14-10

**Approving Project Number ACAA60110-ATRP (005) Resurfacing CR-47 from SR-25
in Columbiana to CR-49 South of Chelsea.**

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

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION 06-14-11

Authorizing Mayor to Sign Agreement for Project ACAA60110-ATRP (005)

Council member Whiting moved and Council member Mayfield seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed unanimously by a vote of all members of the Council present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Council member Ruston introduced Resolution:

RESOLUTION 06-14-12

**Authorizing Mayor to Sign Agreement for Project ACAA559511-ATRP (004)
CR-26 Resurfacing**

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

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Handley reported that he and City Clerk, Mark Frey look at the finances daily to see how we can save the City money. The City currently has a little more than 3 million dollars of debt service that we are paying on a monthly basis. After speaking with the City Auditor John DeLoach, he agreed that it would be a good idea to shop our debt around in order to try to save some money. After discussion about this debt service as well as other City investments by the Council – the Council asked Mayor Handley to shop these loans around and report his findings.

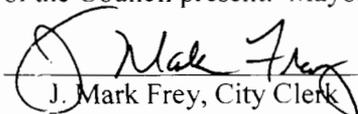
The Mayor thanked everyone who came out to help with the annual Columbiana Cleanup Day and he encouraged the Police Department to seek out those who are littering and give them tickets.

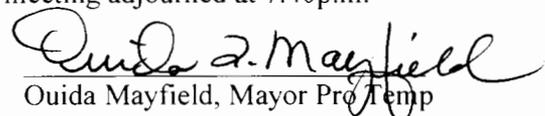
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Mayfield mentioned that a cooler was left after the Cleanup Day and she would like to return this back to the gentleman who left it. Mrs. Mayfield also announced that a new Welcome to Columbiana sign purchased by the Beautification Board and the City has been put up on Hwy 25 West. Now all of the highways coming into town have welcome signs.

Marketing Director Helen Dean reported that Liberty Day preparations are in full swing. There are currently 110 vendors signed up and this year will feature a large number of veterans in the annual Liberty Day Parade. This year's Grand Marshal for the parade is Chris Stricklin. Chris is a highly decorated veteran and the City is honored to have him as the Grand Marshal. Mayor Handley thanked Helen for her efforts in lining up a large number of military personnel and vehicles for this year's parade. Helen added that Bernie's private room will be the VIP room for cooling off, food, drinks and restrooms.

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


J. Mark Frey, City Clerk


Ouida Mayfield, Mayor Pro Temp