

**COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
Tuesday December 1, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met for the regular Council Meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers, Tuesday, December 1, 2015. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Present:**

Council member Leslie Whiting  
Council member Kim King  
Mayor Stancil Handley

Council member Barbara Moore  
Council member Ouida Mayfield

**Absent:**

Council member Ricky Ruston  
None – A quorum present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes 11-17-2015 Regular Meeting.
- B. Approval of Minutes 11-24-2015 Council Work Session.
- C. Approval to extend timeframe for Mundy Motors for an additional 6 months in order to make decision about a permanent location for his car dealership.

Council member King made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda which was seconded by Council member Whiting. The Council voted and the consent agenda passed unanimously.

Council member Ricky Ruston joined meeting at 6:05 pm.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Admin** – City Clerk Mark Frey reported that his department is working to finish up documentation for the Pitts Drive grant this week. We have a new M4A employee that is training this week at City Hall and there is another person that will be working over at the Senior Center with Ali.

**Streets and Maintenance** – Allen Reynolds reported that the Christmas Lights are going up and his guys are cleaning out leaves from the gutters. Because of the 2 holidays last week, there was a large amount of garbage that his crew was picking up on Monday. All of the garbage was not picked up on Monday due to the large volume. As of today (Tuesday) everything is caught back up. The new garbage truck has been put into service and it is making a big difference by having 2 reliable trucks in town.

**Environmental Services** – Dale Lucas reported that Skyler didn't pass his test that he took last week. Chris will be taking his test on Friday. The manhole out by First US Bank was overflowing again. Dale showed the reports that he is sending to the State. A Citizen had anonymously reported that we had an overflow. These reports have to be called in within 24 hours of the overflow. Dale stated that flow from Hwy 47 N is coming into that manhole and backing up. Dave Bechtel told Dale

that this trunk line is at the top of the list for upgrades. Every municipality has overflows from time to time, but we just need to keep working to eliminate these overflows.

Mayor Handley stated that our first priority will have to be replacing the main trunk line. He stated that we have already begun the process of making these upgrades and we will proceed with this project.

**Fire Department** – Jerry Lamb reported that there was a large fire here on Mildred Street (Majors house). The call came in at 4:17am last Monday and multiple fire departments responded to this large fire. It was difficult to get this fire out and the fire department was on scene until after lunch. The Majors family expressed their appreciation for all of the firemen who worked so hard to get this large fire under control. Some of the antique furniture was saved by the firemen and the Mayor and Council expressed their appreciation. Many of the men called in to their primary jobs in order to work this fire. The responding agencies included Columbiana, Calera, Shelby and Wilsonville Fire Departments.

**Police Department** – Chief Vick reported that things have been pretty slow during the holiday weekend. The Chief noted that his department handles many calls when City Hall is closed. The Police Department is also getting ready for the annual Christmas Parade.

**Library** – Tom reported that this Friday; the library is wrapping up their adult reading program. There were 87 people who participated. Participants are entered into a drawing for a Kindle and some gift cards. This Saturday there will be a ceramic ornament painting class. This is free to the public and he encouraged everyone to come out to participate. Sheila Gallops is teaching a quilting class.

As previously announced; Harrison Regional Library is now closed to the public and the Columbiana Public Library has taken over the meeting space. The Mayor added that he is excited that we can give back to the County by managing the meeting space. Mayor Handley added that he appreciates all of the outreach programs that Tom has added to the Library.

**Rescue** – Matt Rush reported that they just ran the 2041<sup>st</sup> call for the year. For the first time; on Black Friday the City had 2 helicopters here to transport patients at the same time. The Mayor and Council expressed their appreciation for all that Rescue does.

Mayor Handley asked Jon Harrison about events going on in the City. Jon reported that there are a lot of events happening during December. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the Christmas Program on Main Street and the annual Christmas Parade. Robert Robinson, Mrs. Shelby County and Austin Foster will be singing and the Dream Makers Dance will be performing in the street. Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> is the Holly Jolly Trolley.

Jon noted that the planned meeting with a large developer was delayed, but the meeting is being rescheduled.

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-15-01**  
**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY –**  
**ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

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:

- Various Office Supplies that are damaged or non-functioning; including: Adding Machines (2), Fax Machine (1), Printer (1), Sprint Phones (3), Rolling Office Chair (1) Broken Monitor (1)

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 appropriate destruction of such property, whatever best serves the City of Columbiana, based on the value of the listed property.

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

Adopted and approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2015.

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-15-02**

**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY –  
SANITATION DEPARTMENT**

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:

- 1998 Ford N80 Garbage Truck VIN # 1FDXN80F9WVA14084

SECTION 2. That the city clerk be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to sell or dispose of the personal property owned by the City of Columbiana, Alabama, described in Section 1 above, by appropriate destruction of such property, whatever best serves the City of Columbiana, based on the value of the listed property.

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

Adopted and approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2015.

Council member Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-15-03**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME PAY INCREASE**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbiana City Council would like to provide a one-time pay increase to its employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbiana City Council has adequate funds in the payroll account to cover this expenditure that is included in the FY2016 Budget; 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 wishes to provide the increase to employees.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council hereby authorizes the payment of a one-time pay increase for all active full-time and all active part-time employees, in the amount of \$215.00 (net pay) for full-time employees and \$115.00 (net pay) for part-time employees, in active status as of December 1, 2015, and having worked at least their budgeted number of hours since October 1, at an approximate cost to the City of \$14,500.00.

**THEREUPON** Council member King moved and Council member Ruston seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of all members of the Council and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Passed, adopted and approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2015.

Council member Ruston introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-15-04**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA AND MIDDLE ALABAMA AREA AGENCY  
ON AGING (SENIOR CENTER SUPPORT)**

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

1. That the City enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging, to provide support services for the Columbiana Senior Center, which agreement is before this Council;
2. That the agreement be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor.
3. 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 agreement by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

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

Mayor Handley asked property owner Terry Bentley if she would update the Council on the clean-up progress on their property. Mrs. Bentley reported that they were working to push back the overgrown brush around the building and will be installing a security system to keep people out of the building.

The original ordinance was passed on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 and administratively delayed for 6 months. This resolution will grant one more 6 month delay for the demolition in order to allow the Bentleys to bring the building into compliance. After some discussion the council voted on the following resolution:

Council member Whiting introduced the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 12-15-05**

**AMENDING RESOLUTION 06-15-01  
DEMOLITION ORDER FOR 304 OLD HWY 25**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Columbiana has previously ordered the demolition of said property located at 304 Old Hwy 25 in Columbiana, AL, PARCEL ID# 21-6-24-4-001-019-000 also known as the Bentley Chainsaw Building. The City Council has determined that a public purpose is served by administratively delaying the demolition of said property for 6 months; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has previously extended said demolition due to circumstances beyond the owner's control; and is hereby giving notice that this is the final extension of time for the property to be sufficiently brought to code or demolished.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that the City of Columbiana does hereby administratively delay the demolition of the building or structure located at 304 Old Hwy 25, Columbiana for a period of 6 months. This resolution passed by a roll call vote and was unanimous.

Passed, adopted and approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2015.

Council member Ruston introduced the following resolution. Council member King moved and Council member Whiting seconded, followed by a roll call vote which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 12-15-06**

**DONATION OF MATCHING FUNDS TO CLASTRAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana recognizes the benefit of supporting our senior citizens and their transportation needs the City Council has determined that a public purpose is served by contributing matching funds to aid in the operation of ClasTran.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Columbiana, upon the recommendation of the Council, hereby authorizes the payment of \$3,600.00 to ClasTran to be used in aiding in the transportation of the senior citizens of the City of Columbiana.

Passed, adopted and approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2015.

**MAYORS REPORT**

- The Rascal Rail History Trail is still alive and moving slowly. The Mayor is waiting on a meeting with one of the upper managers to see what is needed to get the approval of the right of way granted.
- The Old Mill Square project is progressing slowly and we are working to get the new City Shop moved over to the park property by the end of FY2016.
- The Mayor is looking forward to meeting with a large developer next week.

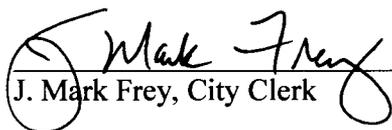
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Phoebe Robinson is the Grand Marshal of the Christmas Parade and the festivities start at 5:30 on Main Street.
- Council member Whiting stated that the Lions Club is selling calendars of historical photos of Columbiana for \$5 and it raises money for eye exams and glasses for the underprivileged.

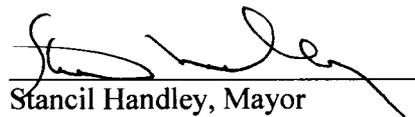
**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- One of the citizens stated that her granddaughter said the Senior Center was a fancy building and she was impressed. The Mayor invited her to come and take a tour.

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 7:25 p.m.

  
J. Mark Frey, City Clerk



  
Stancil Handley, Mayor