

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
JUNE 18, 2013**

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 June 18, 2013. Mayor Handley called the meeting to order. The Mayor then asked City Clerk Mark Frey to call roll.

Present:

Council member Leslie Whiting
Council member Barbara Moore
Council member Rickey Ruston

Council member Kimberly King
Council member Ouida Mayfield
Mayor Stancil Handley

A quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: - June 4, 2013 – Regular Meeting
- B. Approval for Helen Dean to use city credit card for Economic Training in Auburn. Mrs. Dean noted that this training will be co-sponsored by the Greater Shelby County Chamber of Commerce and they will be covering half of the cost for the first week of room and board and session fees. Total not to exceed \$2500.

Council member Whiting moved to approve the consent agenda. Council member King seconded and the consent agenda was approved by all members present with a roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Council member Leslie Whiting
Council member Barbara Moore
Council member Rickey Ruston

Council member Kimberly King
Council member Ouida Mayfield
Mayor Stancil Handley

Nay: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Waste Water** – Dale Lucas reported that a partial delivery for the new aerator system for the waste water treatment plant came in today and he is expecting the remainder by July 5th. The fence on Nelson Walker Road has been completed and it looks very nice.
- **Library** – Library Director Dutcha Lawson stated that the Summer Reading Program was in full swing including: Story Time, Movies, Crafts, Food and a Magic Show. They have also been discussing “Things Underground” including groundhogs and a tour of the Waste Water Treatment Facility lead by Dale Lucas.

- **City Clerk** – Mark Frey reported all is going well at City Hall and he has a meeting scheduled with John DeLoach on Monday the 24th to go over financial reports needed for the council meetings. Mark is also going to be attending the AAMCA Conference in Mobile on Thursday and Friday and will be letting the council know about highlights at the next council meeting.
- **Police** – Mayor Handley opened up with discussion about the striping on the Police Cars and how it has been updated. Several positive comments were made about this update to our fleet. The two new Dodge Chargers purchased will be taking the place of the older cars. Chief Vick received a price for the soffit repair on the back of City Hall between \$800 and \$1000. This is in his budget and will consist in replacing the existing soffit with sheet metal to match the rest of the building. Being that this was in his budget, he was instructed by all the council to have the repair done.
- **Fire** – Chief Johnny Howard, Jr. reported that he was getting ready for Liberty Day and he was cutting shifts out on Sunday in order to make those hours available for Liberty Day without increasing over-time pay. Council Member King noted that she liked the new T-Shirts for the Fire Department.

There will be four (4) misting stations in the same locations as last year and he is meeting with the first responders to make sure that everyone is ready with their emergency plan for Liberty Day. Council Member Mayfield thanked the Fire Department for bringing up the Iced Water for the Annual Columbiana Clean-Up Day on Saturday.

- **Streets** – Allen Reynolds is out sick.

Council Member Mayfield introduced a Resolution for the installation of new street lights by Alabama Power.

RESOLUTION 06-13-06

REQUEST FOR THE INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, as follows:

The City Council authorizes Alabama Power Company to install (2) street lights for the City of Columbiana. One light will be located on Pine Hill Drive and one at Stillwood Estates. Said lights monthly service will be added to the power bill paid by the city.

THEREUPON, Council Member Mayfield moved and Council Member King, seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by majority vote of the Council present, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

ADOPTED this 18th day of June, 2013.

Roll Call Vote Results: All council members unanimous – YEA

Council Member Moore introduced an ordinance to change the zoning for a parcel located at 105 Carter Lane

ORDINANCE NO: 06-13-01

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

That the City of Columbiana does adopt this ordinance, amending Ordinance No. 215 of the City of Columbiana as follows:

1. That the Zoning Map of Columbiana be amended to reflect the re-zoning of the following described properties from R-1 (Single Family Residence) to R-2 (Two Family Residence).

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION#21-7-25-2-201-025.000 (Recorded in Shelby County Probate Judge's Office in instrument# 20071226000578400) 105 Carter Lane

2. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of Columbiana, Alabama and publication as required by law.

Adopted and approved this 18th day of June, 2013

Roll Call Vote Results: All council members unanimous – YEA

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Summer Classics Property update by Lathan Associates / Kemp & Seagle – Bobby stated that the site digital survey has been received. He noted that it is a little out of date but for just a few hundred dollars the drawing can be updated and ready to go by the next council meeting. Council Member Mayfield asked how soon before work would begin on the site. Mayor Handley said that Alex stated that the county should have equipment on the ground this fall.
- 3.5% Increase in pay for all city employees. Mayor Handley brought before the council that the City Employees have not had any cost of living raises in recent years and he would like to talk about it. It was noted that we have lost employees that we have trained to do jobs to other cities due to our lower pay. The proposed raise would be figured in for the 2014 FY Budget. Council Member Mayfield noted that if the money is there, we should do it and asked to get the figures for retirement and insurance.
- Liberty Day Update – Helen Dean stated that we have sold out of Liberty Day T-Shirts twice and we are waiting on another order. The fireworks show is ready to go and the Streets, Fire Department and Police Department have been a big help in the planning. We have raised almost \$25,000 for Liberty Day and we are 2 vendors from being full. Nancy Davis is allowing the City to use her building (next door to Main Street Florist) for a Sponsor area to provide AC, Bathrooms,

Food and Drinks. Charles Culotta (owner of the Piggly Wiggly) will be the Grand Marshal this year and at 12:30 Dr. Puckett will be honored on the main stage as he is taking a two year sabbatical.

- Restitution for crime victims to recoup cost of prosecuting criminals for theft. We have several businesses that are operating in our city that are not reporting small thefts due to the cost incurred in prosecuting the criminal. Discussion regarding a resolution that will enable the City Judge to levee restitution in the amount of \$1 up to \$300 to aid in covering the prosecution cost to the victim. Council asked to have resolution prepared for the next council meeting.
- Proposed Personnel Changes – Chief Vick stated that he has been looking at appointing a lieutenant at the Police Department. He had 3 potential candidates for the position and stated that he had chosen Officer Crumpton for the position of Lieutenant. After much discussion, the motion died on the table for lack of a 2nd motion.
- Mayor Handley has asked for the use of the City Recreation Center for Jenny Lespli of the Dream Makers Dance to practice for the Liberty Day Celebration dance. The Mayor noted that the use of the building is being provided at no charge due to the dance performance being done for the city at no charge. It was also noted that the dancers will still have to agree to the terms and conditions of use for the facility.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Representatives from Southeast Shelby County Medical Rescue are here at the meeting. They have been in business for two years and they are doing very well. Last month they had 193 calls and as of the 10th of this month, they were already at 101 calls. They also have started an incentive program for employees. They have 3 trucks right now, including the main truck and two back-ups.

Update on the Hwy 26 / Hwy 70 intersection. The State has both the City's and County's signed paperwork on file and are in the process of assigning an engineer for the project.

The Columbiana Clean Up Day was a huge success with 2 Boy Scout Troops, 4H Club, Key Club and many others coming out to help with the cleanup in preparation for Liberty Day. The LDS Church district (4 churches) also has taken on the City Cemetery as a project. They straightened, cleaned and painted quite a bit of the old fencing that is in disrepair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Hwy 25 and Depot Street has high grass and looks bad.
- Parking lot lines behind Davis Drug look bad and need to be re-stripped.
- Restriping needed on Main Street pulling out from Carters Lane near the Shelby County Reporter.
- East College Street at the end of Buck Faulkner's building needs attention.
- Trees at Arlington and Hwy 25 need attention
- Question by Council Member Ruston as to enforcement of home owners associations regulations and rules. This is done by the association – not the city.
- Lisa Lively spoke with Larry Maddox about house on Old Hwy 25. He stated that he had a potential buyer. He was also informed that the house would have to be brought up to code. Bentley Chainsaw Building – Lisa stated that the building was in disrepair due to the fact that the family has had health problems. They stated that they would work on getting the building cleaned up before Liberty Day. Lisa has been unable to contact the owner of the old Cleaners Building.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None

With no further comments, Council Member Whiting made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member King seconded and the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Stancil Handley, Mayor

J. Mark Frey, City Clerk