

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
JUNE 20, 2017**

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 20, 2017. Mayor Stancil Handley called the meeting to order and stated that Assistant City Clerk, Fran Sammons would be filling in for City Clerk, Mark Frey. Mayor Stancil Handley then ask Assistant City Clerk, Fran Sammons to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

Present: Council member Leslie Whiting	Council member Barbara Moore
Council member Kim King	Council member Ouida Mayfield
Council member Ricky Ruston	Mayor Stancil Handley

The Mayor declared a quorum was present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes 06-06-2017 Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of 06-13-2017 Work Session
- C. Authorization to move the July 4<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting to July 11<sup>th</sup>.

Council member Whiting made a motion to accept the Consent agenda as written which was seconded by Councilmember King and unanimously passed by a vote of all members present.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

- **Administration** - Assistant City Clerk, Fran Sammons reported that Arthur Bush was scheduled to begin the afternoon Trolley route on Thursday, June 22.

The City has received several applications for the Assistant City Clerk position and Mark Frey will be contacting qualified applicants when he returns from vacation.

- **Police Department** - Chief Lamar Vick reported there was nothing special going on, just the daily routine. His department has been working some street complaints, mainly Thompson and Goodwin.

The Senior Olympics turned out to be a good event for the City. Lots of people came from all over the country. There were no real problems and everything went well. Participants were very complementary and appreciative to our City. Traffic worked out well with eight city officers and some additional help from the county. Complaints about traffic were minimal and everyone did a good job.

- **Library** - Library Director Tom Rary reported that they were in the middle of their summer program and everything was going well. Attendance for each program was between 40 and 60.

The last meeting for the County is scheduled for June 21 and then they will turn over the space to Columbiana Library. The County's portion of the building renovations are complete with the exception of finishing touches to the outside of the building.

- **Fire Department** - Chief Johnny Howard, Jr. reported that his department is preparing for Liberty Day.

They have been working the awning on the building. The rain has hindered painting the red stripe on the building but they hope to get that completed as soon as the rain permits.

Chief Howard reported that they have not heard anything negative regarding their grant request but anticipate a positive response.

Council member Whiting stated that he is thinking of a way for the City to show appreciation for longtime volunteers. Council member Whiting asked Chief Howard to try to get some information together regarding past and present longtime volunteers. Mayor Handley and Council members agreed that this was something they wanted to proceed with and would be following up on.

- **Streets and Maintenance** - Allen Reynolds reported that they were also preparing for Liberty Day. Council member Mayfield and Mayor Handley stated that things were looking good.
- **Environmental Services** - Dale Lucas reported that there were a couple of weeks left on the Main Street Sewer Project. The crews were moving right along with few complaints. There were some reports that the project needed additional flaggers and signs which have been addressed. This project will be finished before starting other projects. New employee, Cayson Findley is doing real good and is eager to learn.

#### **Marketing Update – Elizabeth Smith**

- There are approximately 150 spaces available for Liberty Day Vendors along Main Street and College Street. There are 125 signed up to date and 20 to 25 more are expected by Liberty Day.
- Elizabeth thanked Mr. and Mrs. Porter for their assistance with the car show. Mr. Porter stated that the merchants were fantastic about donating prizes. The car show will be in the overflow parking lot.
- The Mayor and Council will ride in the trams and should meet around 2:00 p.m. at the license office.
- Fireworks will be at 9:00 p.m. Saturday night at the football field.
- Dale Lucas will be smoking boston butts on Thursday for lunch Friday at 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mayor Handley asked that Elizabeth make sure the merchants know what time the streets will be shut down. Chief Vick stated that there would be large signs with “Main Street Closed” signs 47 South around Bolton’s Funeral Home, near Piggly Wiggly and Hwy 47 & 25 at Brown Lumber.

Introduced by Council member Mayfield:

#### **RESOLUTION 06-17-05**

**AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR SEWER MAIN TRUNK REPLACEMENT AND ACCEPTING THE BID FROM REV CONSTRUCTION INC**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana operates a waste water treatment facility with a waste water sewer main that feeds into the treatment plant on Hwy 70; and

**WHEREAS**, Utility Engineering Consultants have determined that said section of the sewer main should be redone ongoing issues with the system; and

**WHEREAS**, this system is necessary to handle an ever increasing volume of waste water, increase capacity and decrease overflows; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, at the recommendation of engineer for the city, Dave B. Bechtel, P.E. of Utility Engineering Consultants, LLC. as follows:

1. That the City of Columbiana accepts the low qualified bid submitted by REV Construction, Inc. at the total contract price of \$1,370,144.03. A lower bid was received but withdrawn by the contractor due to a calculation error.
2. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to sign all documents necessary to execute said agreement and the City Clerk is authorized to pay the contractor as approved by Council in the FY2017 budget in order to fulfill the terms of this resolution.
3. That the original budget for said project was \$912,300.00 and the new project total will be \$1,370,144.03 and the City Council authorizes the City Clerk to pay for this project from the Sewer Fund and Sewer Dump Fee Fund's previous year's surplus as needed. The FY2017 will be amended in the event the project's billing exceeds the original FY2017 budget.

Council Member Kim King made the motion to award the bid to REV Construction, Inc. and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract which was seconded by Council Member Leslie Whiting, adopted by a roll call vote of all members present. The results of the vote:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Leslie Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Barbara Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Rickey Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Kimberly King	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ouida Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Stancil Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Handley announced the results and declared the Resolution passed.

Introduced by Council member Mayfield:

**Resolution 06-17-06**  
**Authorizing Mayor To Sign Contract for CDBG Sewer Project**  
**and Award Bid to Suncoast Infrastructure Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana has received a Community Development Block Grant to implement sewer system improvements that will benefit predominately low and moderate income persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Columbiana has included this sewer project in the 2017FY capital expense budget; and

**THEREFORE**, in accordance with CDBG regulations, the City of Columbiana has solicited and received bids from qualified companies to complete the sewer improvements in accordance with the approved plans and specifications;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the City of Columbiana has evaluated the bids received and has determined that Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. is the low bidder; and **THAT**, the City of Columbiana has authorized Mayor Stancil Handley to enter into a contract with Suncoast Infrastructure Inc. in the amount of \$412,875.00 to complete all sewer activities associated with the above referenced CDBG project.

Council Member Kim King made the motion to award the bid to Suncoast Infrastructure Inc. and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract which was seconded by Council Member Ricky Ruston, adopted by a roll call vote of all members present. The results of the vote:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Leslie Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Barbara Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Rickey Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Kimberly King	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ouida Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Stancil Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Handley announced the results and declared the Resolution passed.

### **ABATEMENT PROPERTIES**

Mayor Handley gave a report on the Hwy 47 South abatement. Some work is being done on this location. Hwy. 47 North is on hold at this time due to some legalities. The abatement process will continue with two properties on the list at one time.

### **OTHER CITY BUSINESS**

Mayor Handley and City Clerk, Mark Frey met with new ADECCA Director, Ken Boswell regarding the Hoodlum Trail. Due to current design limitations regarding Alagasco's right-of-way, the City was asked to withdraw our grant application and reapply next year with a new design. The Hoodlum Trail project is alive and well, just delayed.

### **OLD MILL SQUARE**

Equipment is being moved in and current building is will be removed. Construction people are lined up and ready to go. We are on a 16 month time cycle. Stidco Construction is overseeing the project and there are stiff penalties if project is delayed. The basketball court seems to be well used are being enjoyed by the community.

### **HWY. 26 & 70 IMPROVEMENT**

According to ALDOT the City portion of this cost have increased over the last three years. Mayor Handley and Senator McClendon are scheduled to meet with ALDOT Chairman, John Cooper in Birmingham on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> regarding increases.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ricky Ruston asked support for potentially three All Star teams that will be playing in upcoming State Tournaments. Funds would be used to help for travel and lodging expenses. Mayor and Council agreed to give each team \$250 or if last year's donations were more, to give that amount. Games will begin the week of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Mayor Handley welcomed representatives from Shelby Woods Apartments and others that were in attendance.
- Dollar General's new construction on Hwy. 70 is looking good.
- Buildings on Hwy. 25 next to Bryant Bank are moving slow but are still moving forward.

There being no further business, Council member Whiting moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council member Ruston. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

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Fran Sammons, Assistant City Clerk

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Stancil Handley, Mayor

