

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
August 21, 2018**

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 August 21, 2018. Mayor Stancil Handley called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk, Mark Frey to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

Present:

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

Absent:

None

The Mayor declared a quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes 08-07-2018 Regular Council Meeting
- B. Authorizing the hiring of Breana Windham as Magistrate and Court Clerk Assistant at pay grade VII Step 3 in the Court Department
- C. Authorizing the hiring of Kayce Watkins as front Office Clerk at pay grade VII Step 2 in the Administration Department
- D. Request for Rec Building from the Quarterback Club for their Pancake Fund Raiser on Friday September 7th and 8th

Council member King made a motion to approve the minutes as presented which was seconded by Council member Whiting and followed by a unanimous yes vote of all members present. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- **Library** – Sheila Gallups reported the Library had received a \$7000 LSTA Grant and this grant would be used to purchase audio books. The City match for this grant is \$1750. The last book case has been refurbished and will be placed in the new part of the library this week.
- **Administration** – Mark Frey reported that he was finalizing the budget numbers for all of the Department Heads this week as we prepare for our 2019FY budget. Kayce Watkins is the new front office clerk and Bree Wyndham is the Magistrate in training and Assistant Court Clerk / Revenue Officer. Both of these ladies are learning fast and doing a great job for the City.
- **Streets Department** – Allen Reynolds stated that he was finally back at full staff in his department. Although there are many of the paving projects that have been completed, there are a couple more that have not been done. Allen will be talking with the County to see when the remaining street projects will be completed. They guys have been picking up brush and hauling dirt when the weather permits.
- **Environmental Services** – Dale Lucas reported that one of guys is working to get his CDL and everything was running smoothly at the plant.

- **Police Department** – Chief Lamar Vick reported that many of the employees in his department have been working on training and certifications. They are also getting several repairs completed including a plumbing repair downstairs at City Hall. The PD received a \$3500 ADECA Grant and these funds are being used for several safety campaigns around town.
- **Fire Department** – Chief Johnny Howard Jr. stated that everything was going well at the FD and they are working to finish up capital purchases and inspections. Several of the guys are also working on training. The “no burn” order is in place until October 31st.

MARKETING REPORT

Elizabeth Smith announced the following:

- The annual City Pep Rally was held on Main Street last week and was well attended
- September 4-9 will be the Shelby County Fair
- September 19th will be the Mayor’s Merchant Breakfast held at the Senior Center at 8:00 AM
- October 6th from 5-9 will be the Cemetery Walking Tour

Council member Mayfield introduced:

**RESOLUTION 08-18-01
AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT
WITH AT&T**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council for the City of Columbiana recognize the value of signing a 24 month contract with AT&T to provide high speed internet and VOIP phone service using Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), which agreement is before this Council; and
WHEREAS, the type of service needed, available and authorized in order to decrease the monthly service fees, increase the data speeds and provide reliable telecommunication service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council; the Mayor is authorized to sign any and all documents required to enter a contract with AT&T for the high speed data and phone service for the City of Columbiana. Said agreement shall begin the day the contract is signed and end in 24 months. Council member King moved and Council member Whiting 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. The results of the roll call vote:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted this 21st day of August, 2018.

Council member King introduced:

**RESOLUTION 08-18-02
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A
ADDENDUM TO VIDEO SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AT&T**

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

1. That the City enter into an agreement with AT&T, 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 Ruston moved and Council member Whiting seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and Mayor declared the same passed. The results of the vote are as follows:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted this 21st day of August.

Council member Mayfield introduced:

**RESOLUTION 08-18-04
AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT
WITH SPURRIER CONSULTING**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council for the City of Columbiana recognize the value of entering into a contract with Spurrier Consulting to provide a hotel feasibility study which agreement is before this Council; and

WHEREAS, the City has partnered with surrounding cities and received a substantial discount for this study, with the assistance of 58INC; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this study will be \$4,000 which will be reallocated from the Administration Capital Improvement funds designated for the zoning update approved by the Council for the 2018FY budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council; the Mayor is authorized to sign any and all documents required to enter a contract with Spurrier Consulting for the hotel feasibility study for the City of Columbiana.

Council member Mayfield moved and Council member Whiting 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. The results of the roll call vote:

	Yea	Nay		Yea	Nay
Council member Whiting	<u>X</u>	___	Council member Moore	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Council member King	<u>X</u>	___
Council member Mayfield	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor Handley	<u>X</u>	___

Adopted this 21st day of August, 2018.

DISCUSSION - GUEST RENEE MILLER SAFETY CONCERNS ON MILDRED STREET

Mrs. Miller addressed the Council and explained several issues that she is concerned about on Mildred Street and also wanted the Chief to address the officer who responded and told her that she couldn't park on the street. Because of safety concerns the Police Chief declared a no parking zone (identified with green paint) within approximately 15 feet on each side of Mrs. Miller's drive way and her neighbor's drive way. Chief Vick stated that this police order was a temporary fix and the Public Safety Committee will need to discuss in order to put something permanent in place.

Chief Vick stated during the meeting that he didn't have a recording of the conversation between Mrs. Miller and the officer, but he did address this incident with the officer.

Mrs. Miller stated that she has three main concerns:

1. The parking issue in front of her home needs to be addressed. Mayor Handley stated that the Public Safety Committee will discuss the parking issue on Mildred Street and make a recommendation to the Council.
2. Speeding on Mildred Street. Mayor Handley asked Chief Vick to step up patrols on Mildred Street. Chief Vick asked the Millers if it would be ok for the officers to sit in their driveway to catch speeders. Mrs. Miller told the Chief that – that would be great.
3. Bricks in front of Mrs. Owens House appear to be a hazard. Mayor Handley stated that this will be addressed by the Public Safety Committee.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Hartley's Restaurant has opened and is very busy.
- Budget meetings will begin in the coming weeks.
- Columbiana Crossings Subdivision is in the works.
- There have been two developers who have contacted the City about the Opportunity Zone.
- Arts Council is looking to hire a professional developer to aid in fundraising.
- The pad is ready for the building at the Old Mill Square project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

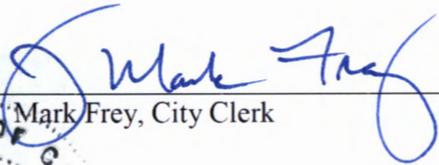
- Someone has spoken with the bank about the old Vansant property on Bolton Lane. They are supposed to be cleaned it up and maintaining it.
- The lot behind City Hall has not been cleaned up yet with all of the rain and brush removal that has been needed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

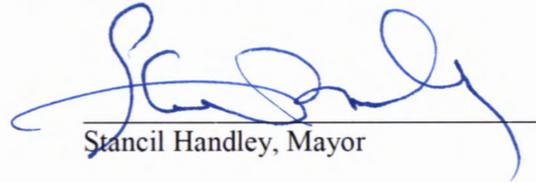
- There isn't anywhere for many of the residents to park on Mildred Street due to how close the houses are to the road and speeding is a major problem.
- Street parking seems to help with the speeders and the basketball goals need to be put back up. Mayor Handley said that the City will be putting them back up once a better location is identified.
- The annual Main Street Pep Rally was great and well attended.
- Currently there is no parking between the green lines (on Mildred Street) until the Public Safety Committee meets and discusses what is needed.
- The bricks in front of Mrs. Owen's house are preventing people from being able to open their doors.

- The Skate Park has not been forgotten, but it is on the back burner until the Old Mill Square Park is completed.
- There seems to be more “junk” on property since there isn’t an ordinance enforcement officer working. The Mayor explained that the Police Department acts as ordinance enforcement officers and if a complaint is filed with the PD, it will be followed up on. The lady that was making the statement said that she didn’t want to file a complaint. Mayor Handley stated that if the Council wants to, we will bring back an officer to address these types of issues.

There being no further business, Council member King moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council member Ruston. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



J. Mark Frey, City Clerk



Stancil Handley, Mayor

