



MINUTES NO. 2020-16-RG
OF A
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MADISON, ALABAMA

AUGUST 10, 2020

Following CDC Guidelines, and to protect the public health during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council urged the public, employees, and staff who were not required to attend the meeting to stay at home to practice recommended social-distancing. The City posted to the website, and on the published agenda, that anyone who was sick, or who was living with a quarantined family member should not attend the meeting. Meetings of the Madison City Council are open to the public through live broadcasts on the local WOW! Cable Channel 42 and via online streaming on the City's website.

The Madison City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Madison Municipal Complex, Madison, Alabama.

The invocation was provided by Pastor John Ryberg with Asbury United Methodist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Steve Smith.

Noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Smith.

ELECTED GOVERNING OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

The roll call of elected governing officials was conducted by City Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Williard and recorded as follows:

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| Mayor Paul Finley | Present |
| Council District No. 1 Maura Wroblewski | Present |
| Council District No. 2 Steve Smith | Present |
| Council District No. 3 Teddy Powell | Present |
| Council District No. 4 Greg Shaw | Present |
| Council District No. 5 Tommy Overcash | Present |
| Council District No. 6 Gerald Clark | Present |
| Council District No. 7 John Seifert | Present |

City Officials in attendance were: Director of Engineering Gary Chynoweth, Information Technology Director Jason Colee, Human Resources Director Terri Towry, Deputy Fire Chief Cary Sadler, City Administrator Marc Jacobson, Building Director Dustin Riddle, City Attorney Megan Zingarelli, Parks & Recreation Director Kory Alfred, Police Chief David Jernigan, Revenue Director Cameron Grounds, Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren, and City Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Williard

Public Attendance registered: John Ryberg, Bebe Oetjen, Connie Spears, Marc Highsmith, Karen Denzine, Cherelle Fletcher, Jay R. McGough, and Jennifer Lyon. Other individuals were in attendance who did not sign the attendance register.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES NO. 2020-15-RG, JULY 27, 2020

Council Member Shaw moved to approve Minutes No. 2020-15-RG dated July 27, 2020.
Council Member Clark seconded. The roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

PRESENTATION OF GOOD SAMARITAN AWARDS BY POLICE CHIEF DAVID JERNIGAN

Amiah Vann and April Spivey were awarded Good Samaritan awards by Police Chief Jernigan for providing assistance to an injured police officer who was hit by a drunk driver while sitting in his patrol car on a traffic stop on I-565.

RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO TIER II EMPLOYEES

Human Resources Director Terri Towry gave a brief summary of the two Resolutions that will be presented by Council Member Overcash under his line of business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments are limited to five minutes if the speaker requested to be added to the Agenda prior to the submission deadline. Individuals requesting to speak at the meeting who did not make the submission deadline are limited to three minutes.

The following individuals appeared before Council and Mayor to address their concerns regarding the Dana Fletcher issue:

- Cherelle Fletcher, 4607 Whitehall Drive, Huntsville
- Catherine Hereford, 111 Reserve Way, Madison
- Paige Martin, 135 Noble Drive, Huntsville
- Remus Bowden, 6940 Highway 72, Huntsville
- Austin Weld Fletcher, 1075 Yarborough Road, Huntsville
- Andy Wallison, Memorial Parkway, Huntsville
- Diana Isom, 18671 Belmont Circle, Athens
- Blake Enfinger, 309 Autumn Lane, Madison
- Alex Yohn, 12023 Chicamauga Trail, Huntsville
- Maurice Shingleton, Jr., 4802 Doyce Lane, Huntsville
- Tom Possert, 237 Rodgers Drive, Huntsville
- Russell Stanners, 1908 Melbourne Avenue, Huntsville
- Deborah Fletcher, Madison County

CONSENT AGENDA AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Member Shaw moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Finance Committee Report. Council Member Overcash seconded.

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| General Operating Account | \$1,112,326.08 |
| Special General Operating Accounts | \$3,041.36 |
| ½ Cent Capital Replacement | \$44,148.80 |
| Gasoline Tax and Petroleum Inspection Fees | \$28,945.23 |
| Street Repair & Maintenance | \$2,057.35 |
| CIP Bond Accounts | \$243,994.30 |
| Library Building Fund | \$8,485.46 |
| Water Distribution & Storage | \$78,398.00 |
| Multi-Use Venue Collection Fund | \$242,886.22 |

- Resolution No. 2020-225-R acceptance of Crown Pointe Phase IX, Part B, into the city's maintenance program

- Approval of payment to OMI, Inc. in the amount of \$300.00 for invoice No. 20859 for NPDES inspection services for Palmer Park rejuvenation, Phase I to be paid from 2015-A Bond account
- Approval of payment to Synovus in the amount of \$485.00 for a Knoxbox for the new Public Works facility (Project No. 18-026) to be paid from 2018-C GO Bond issue account
- Resolution No. 2020-236-R declaring 42 tasers as surplus and authorizing that they be donated to various Police Departments, and further declaring 2 tasers of negligible value and authorizing that they be disposed of

The roll call vote to approve the Consent Agenda was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

MAYOR PAUL FINLEY:

Mayor Finley reported on the following activities, events and newsworthy items:

- Driver license testing site at Madison County Service Center will begin August 18th
- Secured all available short-term CARES funding in the amount of \$2.4M
- Department Heads have submitted their budgets for review
- Working with School Board on the middle-school ingress-egress on Celtic Drive
- Finalized sale of former library property which will help fund development of former Three Springs facility

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 7 JOHN SEIFERT

No business to report

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6 GERALD CLARK

Council Member Clark reported on the following activities, events and newsworthy items:

- Director of Development Services Mary Beth Broeren announced the hiring of Josh Johnson, the City's new Economic Development Director

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 5 TOMMY OVERCASH

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-228-R; SUSPENDING THE DEADLINE REQUIREMENTS IN PERSONNEL POLICIES DUE TO CORONAVIRUS EPIDEMIC

Council Member Overcash moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-228-R Council Member Wroblewski seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-229-R; PROVIDING TIER 1 BENEFITS TO TIER II PLAN MEMBERS

Council Member Overcash moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-229-R Council Member Wroblewski seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 4 GREG SHAW

No business to report

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 TEDDY POWELL

No business to report

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 MAURA WROBLEWSKI

No business to report

COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 STEVE SMITH

Council President Smith reported on the following activities, events and newsworthy items:

- Due to the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, August 25th, the regular Council Meeting scheduled for August 24th at 6:00 pm will be held at 9:00 am in order to properly sanitize the Council Chambers and set up for the election

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-230-R; APPROVING A REQUEST FOR A RESTAURANT RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FROM J & T HALL, LLC, DOING BUSINESS AS MAIN STREET CAFÉ, FOR THEIR LOCATION AT 101 MAIN STREET

Council President Smith opened the public hearing for any comments from those in attendance. There being none, he then closed the public hearing and entertained a motion from Council.

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-230-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-231-R; APPROVING A REQUEST FOR A RESTAURANT RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FROM SB MADISON, LLC DOING BUSINESS AS SHRIMP BASKET FOR THEIR LOCATION AT 7814 HIGHWAY 72 WEST

Council President Smith opened the public hearing for any comments from those in attendance. There being none, he then closed the public hearing and entertained a motion from Council.

Council Member Wroblewski moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-231-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |

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| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2020-233; UPDATING THE CITY'S BUILDING CODES TO THE 2018 EDITIONS (FIRST READING)

This was considered a first reading only.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2020-211; VACATION OF EASEMENTS WITHIN WEST HAVEN SUBDIVISION (FIRST READING JULY 27, 2020)

Council Member Overcash moved to approve Ordinance No. 2020-211. Council Member Shaw seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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|---------------------------------|---------|
| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Abstain |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-199-R; REJECTING BIDS FOR BRADFORD CREEK TRAILHEAD RESTROOMS

Council Member Shaw moved to adopt Resolution No. 2020-199-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |

Council Member Gerald Clark Aye
Council Member John Seifert Aye

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-227-R; AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF RESTROOM TRAILERS FOR PALMER PARK AND BRADFORD CREEK TRAILHEAD FROM SOURCEWELL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$183,280.00 TO BE PAID FROM 2015-A BOND CHECKING

Council Member Overcash moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-227-R. Council Member Clark seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski Aye
Council Member Steve Smith Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash Aye
Council Member Gerald Clark Aye
Council Member John Seifert Aye

Motion carried.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2020-234 PROVIDING FOR EXCHANGE OF ELECTRIC UTILITY SUBSTATION PROPERTIES (HUNTSVILLE UTILITIES SULLIVAN STREET LOT FOR CITY OF MADISON KYSER BOULEVARD LOT) (FIRST READING)

This was considered a first reading only.

CITY CLERK-TREASURER

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-235-R APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ELECTION WORKERS FOR THE AUGUST 25, 2020 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND ANY NECESSARY RUN-OFF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 2020

Council Member Shaw moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-235-R. Council Member Powell seconded. The roll call vote taken was recorded as follows:

Council Member Maura Wroblewski Aye
Council Member Steve Smith Aye
Council Member Teddy Powell Aye
Council Member Greg Shaw Aye
Council Member Tommy Overcash Aye
Council Member Gerald Clark Aye
Council Member John Seifert Aye

Motion carried.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW FOR UPCOMING GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD AUGUST 25, 2020

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is August 20, 2020 at 5pm. The ballots must be postmarked by August 24th and received in the Clerk's Office by noon on August 25th. To date, the Clerk's office has processed 180 absentee ballot applications.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss Council Member Wroblewski moved to adjourn. The vote was taken and recorded as follows:

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| Council Member Maura Wroblewski | Aye |
| Council Member Steve Smith | Aye |
| Council Member Teddy Powell | Aye |
| Council Member Greg Shaw | Aye |
| Council Member Tommy Overcash | Aye |
| Council Member Gerald Clark | Aye |
| Council Member John Seifert | Aye |

Motion carried.

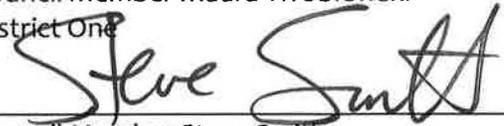
The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Signatures on following page.

Minutes No. 2020-16-RG, dated August 10, 2020, read, approved and adopted this 24th day of August 2020.



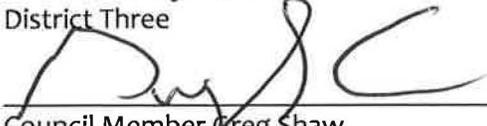
Council Member Maura Wroblewski
District One



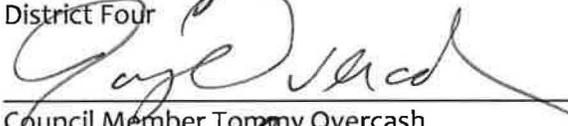
Council Member Steve Smith
District Two



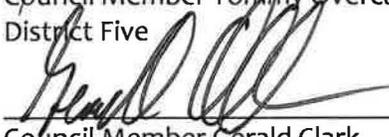
Council Member Teddy Powell
District Three



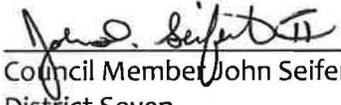
Council Member Greg Shaw
District Four



Council Member Tommy Overcash
District Five



Council Member Gerald Clark
District Six



Council Member John Seifert
District Seven

Concur:

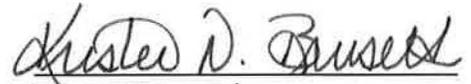


Paul Finley
Mayor

Attest:



Melanie A. Williard
City Clerk-Treasurer



Kristen N. Bruseth
Recording Secretary