



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Monday, November 4, 2013

4:00 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call To Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the Work Session to order at 3:36 p.m..

Roll Call

All Council members were present. Others present: Mayor John Koniar, Mike Thompson, Vickey Southern, Sandra Pate, Steven W. Smith, Butch Stokes, David Wilson, Katy Taylor, Joey Darby, Joe Bouzan, Miriam Boutwell, Kelley Wansley, Dan Hellmich, Suzanne Kellams, Meg Hellmich, Sue Steigerwald, Glen B. Bilbo, Heyward Hosch, Reid Cavnar, Jay Dickson, Britton Bonner, Cathy Higgins, and Guy Busby.

Present: 5 - President Wayne Trawick, Council Member Vera Quaites, Council Member Ralph Hellmich, Council Member Rick Blackwell and Council Member Charles Ebert III

Discussion Items

- 13-1118** Discuss Vernie Heard Jr.'s Resignation From The Foley Housing Authority Board And Possible Replacement

Attachments: [11-4-13 Vernie Heard Jr. Resignation](#)

Councilman Ebert reported that Vernie Heard, Jr. has done a good job in working with the Foley Housing Authority Board. When President Trawick asked if there were any recommendations to fill the vacancy Councilmember Quaites reported that she would like to recommend Mary Hall, and Councilmember Blackwell reported that he would like recommend the Calvary Baptist Church's Assistant Pastor. Assistant City Clerk Katy Taylor reported that Cindy Hamrick recommended Robert Irwin, Mark Irwin, and Larry Engel. Since there is not a rush in filling the vacancy the Council members requested a list of names with a copy of their "bio" to be submitted to the Council at the next Work Session.

13-1151

Work Session Discussion Item: Volkert's Public Involvement Meeting
Update On The Pride Drive And Juniper ATRIP Project.

Jay Dickson from Volkert reported on the upcoming Public Involvement Meeting to be held Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at the Foley Civic Center from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The project includes Pride Drive Extension from SR-59 to County Road 20 and improvements to Juniper Street from Pride Drive Extension to County Road 20. Mr. Dickson handed out a copy of the notice, a draft letter to the citizens, a synopsis of the project, a map of the area and a copy of the comment form. After the citizens fill out the comment form and hand it back to Volkert they will include them in the NEPA document that will be included in the documents for DOT. Mr. Dickson reviewed the project and ended by saying they hope to submit the plans to ALDOT by December 15th and hope to get it back for bidding the construction by April 14, 2014.

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13-0848 2nd Reading of an ordinance annexing property owned by Gene Morrise. Councilman Charlie Ebert requested this item be carried over until all the residents submit their Petitions for Annexation. Mrs. Southern reported that all the residents had been contacted with the exception of two people and those two had been sent letters. They all indicated that they would like to be annexed if they did not have to pay the initial zoning fee. Today she heard from one of the two that letters had been sent and they also wanted to be annexed. There is hope that they all bring their petitions in by the next Council Work Session so that they can all be brought in at the same time. This item was carried over.

13-1081 (First Reading) Building Code Amendments - City Planner Miriam Boutwell reviewed some of the changes, which included but were not limited to tent restrictions, temporary structures, fire pits and appendices. Fire Chief Joey Darby requested the rules be suspended for the immediate adoption of the ordinance. There was consensus to suspend the rules.

13-1112 CR 12 Box Culvert - City Engineer Butch Stokes reported that he received another quote, which appeared to be significantly less than the previous quote received. He requested this item be carried over until he could review the quote and have time to analyze the differences between the two quotes. This item was carried over.

13-1135 Kiwanis Club's Annual Christmas Parade Request for Approval - This is the same route. There was a discussion regarding barricades for the parade and other events. The City borrowed some from the City of Gulf Shores for the Festival of Flavor event to have enough. The City will need more barricades for the Balloon Festival. This item remained on the Council agenda.

13-1139 Zoning Ordinance Amendments - Ms. Boutwell reported this amendment included but not limited to the following items: additional definitions; requiring facades for metal buildings; R3P zoning was omitted but the same criteria was moved to the R3 zone; moved the bulk of specifications on a PUD zone to a different section of the zoning ordinance; they made the overlay more flexible; and tried to be more business friendly. Councilman Hellmich thanked Miriam and staff for all their hard work on these amendments. This item remained on the Council agenda.

13-1140 Approve Employee Wellness Clinic Exterior Renovation - Ms. Pate reported the interior of the building has been completed and the exterior upgrades are ready to be done. There will be gravel parking with the exception of the handicapped spaces, which will be concrete. This item remained on the Council agenda.

13-1144, 13-1145 - City Attorney Heyward Hosch reported these two resolutions approve the creation of two cooperative districts for the New Market Tax Credit program. They are the Public Athletic and Sports Facilities Cooperative District of the City of Foley, Alabama and The Public Cultural and Entertainment Facilities Cooperative District of the City of Foley, Alabama. The Council will need to appoint four board members and the Park & Recreation Facilities Cooperative District will need to appoint one board member. The

board members that will be appointed by the Council will need to live inside the City's corporate limits and must be qualified electors. Council President Wayne Trawick reported that he felt that the Mayor, Keith Newton, Charlie Ebert and Skip Davis should be appointed as board members and Ralph Hellmich and Duane Dickson be appointed as alternates. Mr. Hosch reoprted the Council needed to suspend the rules for the immediate adoption of these resolutions. This item remained on the Council agenda.

13-1146 Approving certain action by the City in respect to the establishment of a sports complex and event center - Mr. Hosch reported this resolution enables the Council to take certain action on items relating to the two previous resolutions. This item remained on the Council agenda.

ADD-ON'S

13-1147 - Approval of ABC License for Equis

13-1148 - Petition for Annexation for Charles and Joyce Ann Roberts - The property is located along Hwy. 98 and is a piece that was not included in the Legislative Act but the property owners wanted to be included.

13-1150 - Mounting and Wiring step-down transformers for Cobra Pole Decorations

All three were added to the Council agenda.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Koniar thanked Councilman Blackwell for his contributions for the Baldwin Bicycle Fest. They had a great turn out for the event.

Visitor's Comments

Council member Quaites reported she received a thank you card from the Foley Elementary School for Red Ribbon Week that supports drug awareness.

Councilman Hellmich reported the Baldwin County Board of Education meeting went well, and the presentation was well received. They were very appreciative.

Adjourn

Hearing no further comments the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.