



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, April 18, 2016

4:00 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the Work Session to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council Members were present. Also present: Mayor John Koniar, Mike Thompson, Sandra Pate, Vickey Southern, Katy Taylor, Steve Smith, Leslie Gahagan, Thurston Bullock, Jessica Middleton, David Wilson, Carlos Lizarraga, Miriam Boutwell, Miranda Bell, Rachel Keith, Chad Christian, Taylor Davis, David Vosloh, Jeff Rouzie, Frances Holk-Jones, David White, David Thompson and press representative Allison Woodham (Onlooker).

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

[16-0197](#) March 2016 Bid Activity

Attachments: [March 2016 Bid Awards.pdf](#)

The March 2016 is attached as back up to the minutes.

[16-0200](#) Consider a kayak rental business at Graham Creek Preserve

Attachments: [RFP for Rental Business at GCNP](#)

Environmental Manager Leslie Gahagan reported Graham Creek Nature Preserve has received requests for kayak rentals. She reported she addressed the Graham Creek Advisory Board with the requests and the Board approved the request for proposals to see what kind of proposals are received. Councilman Ebert, III asked if Mrs. Gahagan will specify the maximum number the boats for the rentals. Mrs. Gahagan reported she is basing the proposals on square footage based on what is available in the maintenance area but it can be changed to list a maximum number of boats and will also include paddles and life vests. Alabama Paddle Sports is the company that made the request and they are the only business that will rent the boat and bring them to

the Preserve and they will provide guided tours or they will drop off kayakers and come back and pick them back up. The rentals would include canoes, kayaks and paddle boards. There was a consensus from Council not to allow the vessels to be stored at the Preserve in order to keep the impact as low as possible. Councilman Ebert, III also suggested the City attorneys to look into insurance as well. Mrs. Gahagan reported it would be for only one year to start to see how it will work.

Enactment No: 16-1093-RES

16-0208

Engineering Dept. Quarterly Report

Attachments: [April Eng. Report](#)

City Engineer Chad Christian showed a PowerPoint presentation report, which is attached as back up to the minutes.

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda of April 18, 2016

16-0161 Approval to Host the 2017 USPCA Canine Nationals - Police Chief Wilson reported K9 Officer Carlos Lizarraga is a decorated K9 Handler and he is very pleased to bring this large K9 competition to the City of Foley. Officer Lizarraga reported the K9s will compete in areas of obedience, agility and suspect search. The competition will be held at the Sports Tourism Complex and Graham Creek Nature Preserve. The K9s will perform a demo at the end of the competition and all of it will be free of charge to the public. There is no cost to the City all costs are covered by donations through the USPCA. There will be 100 - 150 contestants from all over the country. Mayor Koniar suggested they coordinate the dates with the Sports Tourism Executive Director Don Staley. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0179 Consider amendment to Animal Control Ordinance - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0189 A Resolution to reappoint Sandy Russell to the Museum Archive Advisory Board.- This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0190 ABC License 140 Special Events Retail ABC License for the 2016 Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival to be held on May 6, 7 and 8, 2016 - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0191 A resolution waiving Horse Arena fees for Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation Annual Rodeo - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0196 A resolution approving the use of Heritage Park for the use of displaying and distributing bible based literature to the public. - Recreation Director David Thompson reported he has allowed this in the park in the past but he wanted to stipulate this must be scheduled around any events taken place in the park. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0198 Amendment to the Graham Creek Nature Preserve Ordinance - Leslie Gahagan reported the Graham Creek Nature Preserve Advisory Board is requesting to amend the Graham Creek Nature Preserve because of the Interpretive Center to include the hours and any new restrictions before the opening of the Interpretive Center in June. This item remained on the Council

agenda.

16-0199 **Graham Creek Nature Preserve Rental Fees and Policies** - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0200 **Consider a kayak rental business at Graham Creek Preserve** - Mrs. Gahagan reported the Graham Creek Nature Preserve Pavilion is booked every weekend. There is no charge for the Pavilion so the request is to abandon that policy and have the Pavilion available on a first come-first served bases unless it is paid for. The Graham Creek Nature Preserve Advisory Board created the new policies to be more consistent with the all the parks in the City. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0201 **Consider 050 Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) ABC License for Foley Shell LLC, applicant, operating under the trade name of Foley Shell located at 7525 HWY 59, Foley, AL.** - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0202 **Residential Sanitation Write Offs as Uncollectible in the Amount of \$98.63** - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0203 **Consider Renewing Ground Lease Agreement for Overflow Parking** - This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0209 **Request to transfer funds and memorialize capital lease transactions.** - Miranda Bell reported some of the leases the IT Department has are Capital Leases and must be accounted for differently. No additional funds are needed. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0213 **A Resolution Approving a Policy for Capital and Operational Equipment Leases** - Finance Director Sue Steigerwald reported it would be a good practice to have a policy that will determine if an item is a Capital or Operating Lease. These were rules established by Financial Accounting Standards Board and approved by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0211 **Request to enter into a capital lease for a new wide format multifunction unit for Community Development.** - City Planner Miriam Boutwell reported a new wide format multifunction unit for Community Development because the current copies is very old and over a million copies have been scanned on it and it simply will no longer work. Ms. Steigerwald reported she would like to add a section to the resolution to de-obligate the remaining \$11,900 that was in the capital budget. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0219 **Request the use of Mel Roberts Park Pavilion and parking lot for campaign kickoff and community barbecue to be held Tuesday, April 26, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.** - City Administrator Mike Thompson reported staff has checked with the League of Municipalities. He reported Council can approve or reject the request, however, all decisions pertaining to similar requests must be consistent. This item remained on the Council agenda.

16-0220 A Resolution Authorizing a Special Agreement by the City of Foley, Alabama, with The City of Foley Public Facilities Cooperative District and Regions Bank, as Trustee - This item remained on the Council agenda.

Add On:

16-0221 Consider resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter to the Alabama Public Service Commission - Mr. Thompson reported the City has received several complaints over the past few months regarding Century Link. This letter will make the Public Service Commission aware of the restrictions we have in our community for internet service. This will also make Century Link aware of the numerous complaints the City is receiving.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Koniar reported he had just received an email from Sports Tourism Executive Director Don Staley that the City of Foley will be hosting the 2017 Alabama State Cup Soccer Competition. This competition will bring approximately 2,500 visitors to the City over a two week period.

Mayor Koniar also reported he has received questions regarding the Zika Virus and he asked City Administrator Mike Thompson to put some information in the paper and the City newsletter.

Visitor's Comments

There were no comments to report.

Adjourn

Hearing no further comments, the Work Session adjourned at 4:52 p.m.