



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

Special Called Meeting

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council Members were present. Also present: Mayor John Koniar, City Administrator Mike Thompson, City clerk Vickey Southern, Katy Taylor, Jeff Rouzie, Don Staley, Britton Bonner and Chad Christian.

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

New Business

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Discuss Current Status of Public Athletic & Sports Facilities Field Project, Anticipated Completion Date, and Consider Recently Submitted Stipulated Sum

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported the lighting is being installed at the ball fields. The contractor is working on the grading and storm drains for all the fields that will eventually connect to the hydaway system that will go in underneath the sand. Sand should be delivered the week after next. The original contract that was signed on March 23, 2015 stated the completion date will be April 9, 2016 for the entire project. The contract does stipulate rain day delays. Based just on rain days, if they finish by May 27, 2016 they will still be in-line with the contract. There have been 49 rain days to date and if there are more rains, the May 27, 2016 deadline will not be met. It is possible the project will not be finished until the end of June. The contractor has committed to finishing fifteen (15) practice fields by April 30, 2016 and the rest of the contracted completed by May 20, 2016. The contractor does recognize the contract as the document of record and they are committed to the completion dates, but they also want to ensure the rain days are taken into consideration. Also, it was the City of Foley that made the decision to go from sprig grass to sod grass to save approximately ninety (90) in growing the grass for the fields. The contractor is saying the fields will be ready for the Foley Sports Tourism events in May and the entire project will be complete by May 20, 2015.

Councilman Hellmich asked about the critical storm water detention pond. Mr. Thompson reported he is meeting with City Engineer Chad Christian, City Planner Miriam Boutwell and Randy Corley tomorrow to discuss this. CIEDA is

ready to move forward on the construction. The engineering design is complete for the detention pond and they have submitted an easement agreement to the City that will also be discussed tomorrow.

Economic Director Jeff Rouzie reported that Pride Drive is almost completed to County Road 20 where the storm drains will go into the detention pond. This should not delay the project in any way.

Councilman Hellmich asked when the storm water detention pond will be complete. Mr. Thompson reported he will find out at his meeting tomorrow but it should not take a lot of time because it is only one and a half acres to collect the water coming off of the asphalt parking lot only. The water coming off of the fields will go directly into the wetlands.

Executive Session

President Trawick reported there was a need to go into an Executive Session.

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported attorney Britton Bonner submitted a letter requesting the Executive Session. Mr. Bonner reported the Executive Session is to discuss matters that will involve controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated if the governmental body pursues a proposed course of action as authorized by the Open Meetings Act. Councilman Hellmich made a motion to go into Executive Session and Councilwoman Quaite seconded the motion. Mr. Bonner reported the Executive Session will take approximately 45 minutes and Council will not return to vote. Mr. Thompson took the following roll call vote: Council Member Quaite, aye; Council Member Hellmich, aye; Council Member Blackwell, aye; Council Member Ebert III, aye and President Trawick, aye. The vote was unanimous to go into Executive Session.

The Council meeting recessed at 5:41 p.m.

Reconvened

President Trawick called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. All Council Members were present. Also present: Mayor Koniar, City Administrator Mike Thompson, Britton Bonner and Jeff Rouzie. At this point President Trawick announced there was no further business to conduct.

Mayor's Comments

None to report.

Visitor Comments

None to report.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Council Member Ralph Hellmich to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Vera Quaite and carried by an unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.