



Meeting Minutes - Final
City Council

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

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

Others present: Mayor John Koniar, Mike Thompson, Vickey Southern, Sandra Pate, Katy Taylor, Lt. Thurston Bullock, Jessica Middleton, LaDonna Hinesley, David White, Suzanne Kellams, Joey Darby, Taylor Davis, Leslie Gahagan, Randy Bishop, Randy Kurtts, Butch Stokes, Rachel Keith, Miriam Boutwell, Deanna Wenzel, Ethel Riddle and Cathy Higgins of the 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

[14-0043](#)

Discuss Purchasing An Ad In The Alabama Conservation Enforcement Officers Association Publication.

Attachments: [AL. Conserv. Enf. Ofc. Assoc.](#)

After a brief discussion Council's consensus was to purchase a quarter page ad in the amount of \$250. This item was moved to the Council Agenda.

Enactment No: 14-0030-RES

[14-0052](#)

Discuss Carolyn Hollis's request to plant a tree at the Kids Park

Mrs. Suzanne Kellams reported Carolyn Hollis' great niece was diagnosed with a rare chromosome disorder and passed away in December 2012. The parents visit the Foley Kids Park often and Mrs. Hollis has requested to plant an Indian Hawthorn tree in her memory. After a brief discussion there was a consensus to move this item to the Council agenda.

Enactment No: 14-0031 - RES

[14-0058](#)

Discuss Clearing A Portion Of The Wilson Pecan Property.

Attachments: [PFCD Resolution 70](#)

Mr. Jeff Rouzie reported clearing the property was not an urgent matter; however, there will be prospects looking at the property in the near future and it would be better for them to visualize their project on the whole ten acres without the overgrowth. He had received a quote from Mr. Callihan that was approximately \$8,000 that was not included as backup to the agenda item but will get that to Mrs. Southern. Mr. Callihan can clear the property in approximately one week without taking staff away from their other duties. The Council President requested the agenda item be brought back to Council to the next Work Session so they can review the quote.

[14-0069](#)

Finance/Beautification - Report of utility savings

The Report of Utility Savings is from the Finance Department and notes that the electrical power expenses show a decrease. This is due to changing the 220 volt lights over to LED lights.

On a side note Councilman Ebert requested some color in the Christmas decorations because this year it was very sparse. The Mayor reported the deer didn't show up during the daytime. Councilmember Quates will bring this to the Beautification Board's attention at their next meeting. Mrs. Kellams reported the Board is working with Chad Watkins and the budget contains two new skylines for this coming year. After a brief discussion Mike Thompson asked if staff could get a total count on the units needed to purchase so that Council could take a look at what the expenditures might be anticipated for purchasing the necessary units.

Mr. Thompson reported the Tiger grant is broken down into three components that will be looked at and Butch Stokes reported that the City will have the option to decide what component is constructed first. Sted McCullough is working on a design and he will be meeting with Mike, Butch and Volkert this week. They anticipate bringing some designs back to Council.

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda for January 21, 2014

Review of the Council agenda:

President Trawick reported all the nuisances listed in all the public hearings have been abated and won't require any further action; however, it still requires Council to hold the Public Hearings to allow for public input. In conjunction with the public hearings are file ID's 14-0048, 14-0049, 14-0050, 14-0051 that will need to be removed from the agenda.

14-0070 December 2013 Sales, Lodging and Rental Tax Reports - President Trawick reported the number look good.

14-0019 Appropriating Funds and Approving Ordinance Codification for Supplement #16 - Mrs. Southern reported the ordinances need to be codified but MCCI is reformatting their volumes from a 6x9" book to an 8.5" x 11" book. The cost of the reformatting is higher than the budgeted amount for the regular codification, which includes ordinances from 2011 through today. The cost of reformatting does not include updating the State Law references, which haven't been done in years and needs to be updated, the cost of shipping, a

new book and index pages, and tabular/graphic data. There is \$5,000 budgeted for the codification and \$2,000 budgeted for OrdLink for a total of \$7,000. Mrs. Southern asked for an appropriation of \$3,000 to cover the additional expenses. There was a consensus for the reformatting to remain on the Council agenda appropriating the additional funds and approving the reformatting.

14-0022 Vacation of Right-of-ways Ashford Park Subdivision 547, 550 and 551 Park Avenue - After a brief discussion regarding whether or not the City should move forward with the vacation the item was carried over until staff can work with the City's attorney and based on him getting back to us on this topic. The staff shall get with the residents to let them know it has been held over. This item was carried over.

14-0024 Record Fee Approval - Deputy Chief Randy Bishop reported this fee is for the duplication of Police records. After speaking with numerous other agencies it was decided that the fees needed to be increased to deter unnecessary searches that take up a lot of staff's time to search and reproduce. The reports are free to the victims so that they don't have a further burden. This update is part of their Standard Operating Procedure. This item remained on the Council agenda.

14-0029 Amends Resolution 13-0526 Accepting ATRIP Round III for Fern Avenue Extension - President Trawick turned the meeting over to Vice President Ralph Hellmich. Mrs. Kellams reported this is a housekeeping item. Mr. Thompson reported they have a meeting with Volkert on Thursday and the timeline is late summer or early fall. They met with property owners and the Foley's had a question on the width of the right of way across their property. This item remained on the Council agenda. Vice-President Hellmich turned the meeting back over to the President.

14-0033 Disc Golf Course at Graham Creek Preserve - Leslie Gahagan reported there are 30-40 local disc golfers that play and the newly designed disc golf course was designed by them. They have agreed to install concrete for the tee pads for the additional nine holes. There is also a new supplier where they can purchase the equipment that will be substantially less than the previous expenses on the first holes. The course encompasses approximately ten acres and the course will include tee pads for the novice golfers and children so they can play as well. The children's course is closer. This item remained on the Council agenda.

14--0035 Request to accept proposal for construction of equipment storage area at Graham Creek Nature Preserve - Leslie Gahagan reported the Parks Department is having issues with transporting/mobilizing equipment to maintain the trails at Graham Creek. The storage area will include a lean too and privacy fence. This item remained on the Council agenda.

14-0036/14-0037 Rescinding Ordinance 13-1050 Approving Roberts Petition for Annexation - The original ordinance was approved with the zoning prior to the Planning Commission's recommendation to Council. This resolution must be rescinded and a first reading held for the annexation in order to go through the proper annexation/zoning procedures. These items remained on the Council agenda.

14-0038 Release of Capital funds for ATV - Deputy Chief Randy Bishop reported that the vehicle is actually a RTV, which is a four-seater that can haul four people or two people and a stretcher if needed. This item remained on the Council agenda.

14-0053 Upgrade Adobe Creative Suite - President Trawick reported there are some changes on this item. The amount will change from \$1018 to \$350 for an annual subscription to Adobe under Account 01-625-8080. This item remained on the agenda with the new information.

14-0054 Upgrade printers and copiers - Jessica Middleton reported she is in the midst of restructuring and upgrading copiers and printers. The CDD and IT departments need new copiers and the Depot and Aaronville Precinct's printers will be replaced with owned units. These are part of the lease buyout so they can ship the copiers back and replace them with owned multifunction printers. They are moving to one company, Ricoh, who supplies all the toner with their equipment at no charge. This item remained on the Council agenda.

14-0062 Permission to purchase a quantity of two trailers for barricades - Rachel Keith reported the City has budgeted 180 barricades and needs two trailers to store and transport them. Bye-Rite Trailers is custom making the trailers for the barricades. The trailers and barricades will be ordered at the same time. Lt. Bullock reported they really needed the barricades to put along Hwy. 59 during the Christmas parade this past year. This item remained on the Council agenda.

ADD ON's:

14-0074 Vacation of Alley - Mike Thompson reported there was a technicality on the vacation of an unimproved right of way because the Cooperative District was not noticed on the City owned property even though they knew about it. This will need to be redone. The item to set a public hearing to consider the vacation was added to the Council agenda.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Koniar reported he attended Congressman Bradley Byrne's swearing in, which was very nice. He kept some of Congressman Bonner's staff but for the most part has a lot of new staff members.

Update on Vulcan incident: Mayor Koniar reported accident resulted in two men being taken to UAB's burn center. It was a terrible accident that is still under investigation. He asked for prayer for the injured and their families.

Visitor's Comments

None to report.

Adjourn

Hearing no further comments the meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.