



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, September 18, 2017

4:00 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the September 18, 2017 Work Session to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council members were present. Also present: City Administrator Mike Thompson, City Clerk Katy Taylor, Sandra Pate, Kate Embry, David Wilson, Rachel Keith, Joe Bouzan, Meg Hellmich, Sue Steigerwald, Taylor Davis, Chuck Sutherlin, Joey Darby, Miriam Boutwell, Chad Christian, Jeff Rouzie, LaDonna Hinesley, Tony Fuqua, Randy Kurtts, Bill Swanson, Tom DeBell, Rachel Spear, Treisa Lee, David Vosloh, Charles Weber, Francis Holk-Jones, and press representative Jessica Vaughn (Gulf Coast Media).

Discussion Items

[17-0549](#)

Foley Police Department - Talking points about Golf Cart Ordinance

Attachments: [golfcartordinance2017](#)

Chief of Police David Wilson reported to the Council that the state has allowed municipalities to allow golf cart usage on the roads at the discretion of the municipalities. Chief Wilson reported that the proposed ordinance includes changes and observance of other municipalities that have already passed similar ordinances. The Police Department is looking to include battery operated golf carts, all golf carts must have lights and safety features, and the golf carts will only be allowed on roads that are 25 mph or less. Chief Wilson reported the Police Department is looking at allowing the golf carts to utilize the multipurpose paths in addition to the roadways. Councilmember Ralph Hellmich reported that this ordinance would be self limiting to address where golf carts can go and which roads golf carts would be allowed. Councilmember Charlie Ebert, III reported to the Council that his concerns are that the multipurpose paths were originally used for the purpose of pedestrians and bicyclists and he would like to see the golf carts used only on roadways. The Council requested for the Police Department to look at the wording and possible signage to help to regulate this ordinance. There was no further discussion on this item.

Reports

[17-0536](#)

Randy Kurtts - Pedestrian Bridge Repair, Tower Repair and Gateway Signs Projects Update

Randy Kurtts reported to the Council that the clock tower bells have been rebuilt and will be shipped back to the City on September 19, 2017. Once the bells arrive they will schedule the installation time. Mr. Kurtts reported to the Council that the Engineering Department has not received updated information for the panels to be replaced on the bridge. There are a total of 84 panels to be replaced that have been sent back into the powder coating phase. Mr. Kurtts reported to the Council that the Engineering Department is waiting to receive the final permit for the gateway sign project. The Engineering Department will wait until all permits have been received to begin the project. This will require the project to extend into the new Fiscal Year Capital Projects fund.

There were two add on items for the Work Session agenda.

17-0552 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Documents For the Stormwater Drainage Easement SE Holdings, Inc.

Jeff Rouzie reported to the Council that the first easement has been secured and does not need any further adjustments. For the second easement, SE Holdings has been working with Casey Pipes on their 11 page dissertation that needs to be simplified. Mr. Rouzie reported that the City has received a response from Mr. Pipes but once the documents are changed and agreeable to both parties the Mayor will need to have authorization to sign. There was a consensus to add this item to the September 18, 2017 Council Meeting Agenda.

17-0564 A Resolution Appointing Ira Bates to the Foley Housing Authority Board.

There was a consensus to add this item to the October 2, 2017 Council Meeting in order to allow time to make sure the appointee meets the residency requirements.

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda of September 18, 2017

Resolutions and Other Business

17 0479 REQUEST TO USE HERITAGE PARK AND HAVE FEES WAIVED FOR CHOOSE LIFE INC ON NOVEMBER 11, 2017

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0515 A Resolution to Reappoint Ellen Dean, Sara Rouzie, and Patricia Davis to the Foley Revitalization and Beautification Board.

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0516 A Resolution to Reappoint Bob Schreiber to the Riviera Utilities Board.

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0523 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT 19882 BRINKS WILLIS RD

This property has been abated at the time of the September 18, 2017 Work Session. There was a consensus to remove this item

17 0527 Police Department Roof Project

Lieutenant Tony Fuqua of the Police Department reported to the Council that the Municipal Building has a history of roof issues starting in 2002. LT. Fuqua reported that the underlying issues are weak spots and imperfections in the flat roof. WTI is the company that has done the repairs and scans of the roof in the most recent years. Lt. Fuqua reported that the WTI representative the Police Department has worked with has developed a plan to replace the current roofing. The first step will be to clean the current roof of the granules that are on the material and then replace it with four layers of membrane material on all flat and vertical parts of the roof. This will form a seal where water is unable to get in; the total cost will be approximately \$300,000. WTI will come in twice a year and inspect the new membrane roofing. Miriam Boutwell reported to the Council that the Police Department could work with Chuck Lay to see if the new roofing would qualify for the fortified roof certifications and possibly help with the City's insurance policies. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0524 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT 1157 S MCKENZIE ST

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0525 Agreement-Municipal Intercept Services ("MIS") Debt Recovery

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to the Council that the Alabama Department of Revenue offers this service to municipal courts in the state. Municipalities are able to submit unpaid fines to the system and if the individual is to receive tax refunds the unpaid fines will be paid before issuing that refund to them. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0533 Authorizing Certain Accounts to be Written off as Uncollectable

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0538 Resurfacing Phase VII FY17 18 Project

City Engineer Chad Christian reported to the Council that this resolution will approve the hiring of Sawgrass to design the resurfacing plans. The Engineering Department's anticipation would be to complete the bidding and

paving early in the new fiscal year. Councilmember Charlie Ebert, III requested that the Engineering Department evaluate the needs of milling in the area before construction is to begin. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0544 Authorizing Certain Accounts to be Written off as Uncollectable

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0546 Consider a resolution to waive permit fees to the minimum for Redeemed Baptist Church

David Vosloh reported to the Council that his church has donated the building that Redeemed Baptist Church is operating out of. Mr. Vosloh reported that the church has been working with Chuck Lay to be rezoned within the City limits. City Planner Miriam Boutwell reported that the state certificate is no longer valid and that an engineer would have to be hired to give a stamp of approval for the coding of the modular building before it could be rezoned within the City limits. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0547 RESOLUTION ADOPTING MODIFIED PERSONNEL SYSTEM POLICY

Human Resources Director Sandra Pate reported to the Council that there are only minor changes being made to the Personnel Policy at this time. Ms. Pate reported the only major change is that for the employee tuition reimbursement program employees will receive \$3,000 per fiscal year and it will only include tuition. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0548 Resolution Authorizing Certain Benefit Options to RSA Retiring Medicare Eligible Employees who are not vested with the City.

Human Resources Director Sandra Pate reported to the Council that, currently, there are retiring employees who are Medicare eligible but do not have 10 years of service with the State of Alabama. Based on the City's current policy it is impossible for those retirees to pay the lesser medical premiums through the City. Ms. Pate reported that this resolution will allow retirees that are Medicare eligible and not yet vested with state to receive the discounted City insurance premiums. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0551 Allocation of funds for Tennis Court Project Phase 1

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to the Council that this allocation will allow the Recreation Department to move forward with the capital project and begin work of the four new tennis courts. Mr. Thompson reported to the Council that the project would be on track to be complete by the holidays, prior to the tennis season beginning. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0553 Accepting Annexations by Legislative Act 2017 448

Council President Wayne Trawick reported that this resolution will complete

the 2017 Annexations by Legislative Act process and accept the properties. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0554 A resolution approving deed corrections

Joe Bouzan reported to the Council that several parcels were given to the City of Robertsedale from the City of Foley, however; the deeds to the parcels reflected CSX as the property owner. This resolution will allow the City of Robertsedale to have the corrections made to reflect themselves as the property owners. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0559 A resolution approving additional electric installation at the Foley Sports Complex

Rachel Spear with the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce reported to the Council that each year there is not enough electricity at the site for the Hot Air Balloon festival to operate. Ms. Spear reported that Riviera Utilities has a grant that will cover the cost of additional electricity lines to be placed at the site. The Chamber has coordinated with the Recreation Department and the work will not affect any events. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0560 Request For Funding For Continuing Legal Education

There was no discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0563 Myrtle Avenue Valley Gutter Repair

City Engineer Chad Christian reported to the Council that this proposal has been obtained from R&S Paving to do resurfacing and milling in the area of Myrtle Avenue and HWY 59. This project will smooth the area on the east side and improve the area on the west. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

17 0545 Consider 020 Restaurant Retail Liquor for C D Development Group LLC applicant, operating under the trade name of Sassy Bass Crazy Donuts located at 101 J South Boulevard Foley, AL.

Chief of Police David Wilson recommended to the Council to move forward. Fire Chief Joey Darby recommended to the Council to move forward. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

Mayor's Comments

There were no comments to report.

Visitor Comments

There were no visitor comments to report.

Adjournment

Hearing no further comments, the Work Session adjourned at 4:57 p.m.