



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, July 18, 2022

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

Work Session/Council Meeting

Public Hearing

[22-0402](#)

Public Hearing to Consider Weeds to be a Public Nuisance and to Order Its Abatement at 510 East Myrtle Ave.

Council President Wayne Trawick opened the Public Hearing at 4:00 p.m. He asked for comments from the public. Hearing no comments, he closed the Public Hearing.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

All Council Members were present with the exception of Charles Ebert, III who was absent due to illness. Also present: Mayor Ralph Hellmich, City Administrator Mike Thompson, City Clerk Katy Taylor, Fay Krehling, Brandon Mothershed, David Wilson, Wayne Dyess, LaDonna Hinesley, Joey Darby, Brenda Shambo, Jeff Lee, David Thompson, Deborah Mixon, Forrest Mixon, Leslie Gahagan, Chad Christian, Carolyn Hollis, Lieutenant Glenn Hartenst, Tom DeBell, Pam Harris, John Davis, Brooke Davis, Logan Eberly, Frances Holk-Jones, Tabitha Padalino, Gue Busby, Susan Pelfrey, Randy Pelfrey, David Vosloh, Abel Venegas, Shelah Venegas, Ricarda Venegas and Sue Steigerwald.

Present: 4 - Wayne Trawick, Vera Quaites, Rick Blackwell and Richard Dayton

Absent: 1 - Charles Ebert III

Moment of Reflection

A moment of Reflection was observed.

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation

[22-0399](#)

Beautification and Revitalization Awards Presentation

Attachments: [R & B Beautification Awards for Council Agenda 7-15-2022 \(1\)](#)

Mayor Ralph Hellmich, Carolyne Hollis, Deborah Mixon and Brenda Shambo presented Beautification awards to Mama Bear's Bakery, Our Coffee, and Taco Fiesta for their excellent efforts with the beautification of these businesses. Mayor Hellmich reported that he would like to thank each of these businesses for the diligent work and dedication for keeping the City of Foley beautiful.

Discussion Items[22-0400](#)

A Resolution Approving the World War II Veterans Memorial Improvements in John B. Foley Park

Attachments: [World War II Memorial and Improvement Drawing](#)
[WW II Monument](#)

Recording Secretary of The Beautification and Revitalization Board Brenda Shambo reported Council the Beautification Board's desire for improvements to The World War II Monument. Mrs. Shambo reported to Council that she discovered some interesting history about this marker. The live oak tree was planted at the north end of the park on February 4, 1943 by The Women's Club of Foley and was consider a Living Memorial.

The Beautification and Revitalization Board would like to restore the marker and refresh the surrounding area by adding park benches, shrubs and plants. The Beautification and Revitalization Board would also like to add a historic sign describing the history of The World War II Memorial live oak tree and marker and we would like to move forward on this project.

Enactment No: 22-1255-RES

Consent Agenda[22-0393](#)

Work Session/Council Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2022

Attachments: [July 5, 2022 Work Session Council Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, to approve the July 5, 2022 Work Session/Council Meeting Minutes. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[22-0407](#)

Report of June, 2022, Approved and Paid Bills for the Record

Attachments: [2022-06 Approved & Paid Bills.Expense Approval Report](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[22-0392](#)

Departmental Reports

Attachments: [Tax Report and Permit Plan Review June 2022](#)
[June 2022 CDD Report](#)
[June 2022 PD Report](#)
[2022 Marketing Quarterly Report](#)
[May 22 6-22 FD Report](#)
[June 22 7-22 FD Report](#)
[Grant Status Report June 2022](#)
[June 2022 Bid Awards](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, to approve the Departmental Reports. The motion was carried by an unanimous vote.

Additions/Removals/Carry-Overs

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, to add items 22-0412 and 22-0400 to the agenda. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, to remove item 22-0389 from the agenda. The motion carried by and unanimous vote.

Ordinances**Resolutions and Other Business**[22-0363](#)

A Resolution to Reappoint Chad Watkins to the Foley Revitalization & Beautification Advisory Board.

Attachments: [Chad Watkins Reappointment](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1240-RES

[22-0381](#)

Resolution Approving an Increase to the Municipal Complex Building/ Grounds Maintenance Account.

Attachments: [Budget Increase Request - City Hall HVAC Repairs \(1\)](#)

Director of Municipal Complex Pam Harris reported to Council that this increase was a result from the unexpected air conditioner repair expense. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1241-RES

[22-0383](#)

A Resolution to Accept the FY2022 GOMESA Grant for Foley Nature Parks Expansion and Enhancement

Attachments: [GOMESA Grant Agreement](#)
 [Capital Project Form - GOMESA](#)

Environmental Director Leslie Gahagan reported to Council that the City of Foley was awarded a grant from GOMESA in the amount of \$2,500,000, this grant will be utilized to purchase property to expand the Foley Nature Park. Mrs. Gahagan reported that this property purchase is for an additional 500 acres. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1242-RES

[22-0389](#)

A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT 1101 SOUTH MCKENZIE STREET

Attachments: [1101 South McKenzie Street](#)

This item was removed from the agenda due to the property being abated by the owner.

Enactment No: 22-1243-RES

[22-0391](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF FOLEY TO JOIN THE STATE OF ALABAMA AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS PARTICIPANTS IN CURRENT AND FUTURE OPIOID SETTLEMENTS

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to Council that this item is the settlement of claims and litigation related to the opioid epidemic. Mr. Thompson reported that the two firms that are ready to make a settlement are Johnson and Johnson and McKesson. Mr. Thompson also reported that disbursement of the settlement would be one third the first year and two thirds for the next nine years.

Mayor Hellmich reported to Council that this settlement would be in an account until the City of Foley develops a program to bring forward to Council. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaited, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1244-RES

[22-0394](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF CABOOSE CLUB DONATIONS HELD IN THE RESTRICTED DEPOT MUSEUM CASH ACCOUNT

Attachments: [Cabinfield Bid Packet price sheet](#)
 [Budget increase form purchase Poly Play Set](#)
 [Thompson, Trawick approval to ammend budget for train play set](#)

Marketing Director LaDonna Hinesley requested permission from Council to use the Caboose Club donations to purchase a play train set. Mrs. Hinesley reported that this play train set will be a great asset for the children that visits the Train Depot. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1245-RES

[22-0396](#)

A Resolution requesting the donation of Combat Material from the United States Army.

Attachments: [Application for Army Equipment](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported to Council that the donation of two Army Tanks would be displayed at Max Griffin Park. Mr. Lee also reported that the City of Foley would have a three year agreement with the United States Army and would assume the responsibility for the upkeep of the tanks. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1246-RES

[22-0397](#)

A Resolution Approving a Project to Install a Well and Piping to Irrigate Fields at Mel Roberts Park.

Attachments: [Completed Captial Project Worksheet - Well for Mel Roberts](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported to Council that he would like to move forward on this capital project. Mr. Lee also reported that this project is to install a well and piping for irrigation for the three baseball fields and this is the first phase of the revamping to the Mel Roberts Park. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1247-RES

[22-0398](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Employees to Enter Upon the Property at 510

East Myrtle Avenue for the Purpose of Abating the Public Nuisance.

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1248-RES

[22-0401](#)

A Resolution To Waive Community Development Fees To Minimum For South Baldwin Literacy Council

Attachments: [SBLC Fee Reduction Request](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1249-RES

[22-0403](#)

A Resolution Approving South Juniper Street to Foley Event Center Sidewalk and Lighting Project.

Attachments: [Sawgrass proposal](#)
 [Sawgrass Proposal map of work](#)

City Engineer Chad Christian reported to Council that this item is a proposal for professional services with Sawgrass Consulting. Mr. Christian reported that this item includes field survey, street lighting design and a five foot wide sidewalk to connect South Juniper Street and the Foley Farmers Market to the Event Center.

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to Council that this item is in conjunction with the J-1 Program. Mr. Thompson also reported that as a result of this project this would provide a safe pedestrian path/crossing. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1250-RES

[22-0404](#)

A Resolution to Rescind Resolution 22-1224 A Resolution to Approving the Jehovah Witness Community the Use of Max Griffin Park (Area Around the Kids Park) to Display Free Bible Based Literature

Attachments: [22-1224 RES](#)
[Heritage Park App. - Jehovah Witnesses](#)
[Max Griffin Park App. - Jehovah Witnesses](#)
[Randy Pelfrey Email](#)
[Heritage Park](#)
[Display](#)

Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Lee reported to Council that this item is a correction on the part of the Recreation Department and would like to bring this item forward to the Council. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1251-RES

[22-0405](#)

A Resolution Approving the Purchase of Real Property Using Impact Fee Funds

Attachments: [0 hwy 98 PA w legal](#)

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to Council that this property is 6.7-6.8 acres off of Highway 98. Mr. Thompson also reported that this property, in the future, could become the expansion of the sports facility. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1252-RES

[22-0408](#)

A Resolution to Appoint Diane Bunch to the Foley Revitalization & Beautification Advisory Board.

Attachments: [Diane Bunch Appointment Letter](#)
[20220714113620195](#)

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Vera Quaites, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1253-RES

[22-0412](#)

A Resolution Approving Additional Street Lights to Burtonwood Drive and West Palm Avenue

Attachments: [W Palm Ave. Light.png](#)
[Burtonwood Dr. Lights.png](#)

Mayor Hellmich reported to Council that this item was a recommendation from a citizen of Foley. There was no further discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Rick Blackwell, seconded by Council Member Richard Dayton, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1254-RES

[22-0400](#)

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[WW II Monument](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Vera Quaites, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: 22-1255-RES

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Ralph Hellmich wished Forest Mixon a Happy Birthday. Mayor Hellmich thanked Council for moving forward on the restoration of the World War II Monument. The City will be working on other Memorials Projects. The American Legion and the VFW are appreciative of the City for honoring the men and women of our military.

Mayor Hellmich reported to Council that several construction projects are moving forward. In August, the fountain and the Rose Trail project will begin. The City has started on the pocket park near Mama Mia's and in the next few months we will have to discuss of a music theme name for this park and bring it to Council.

Mayor Hellmich also reported to Council the road projects are moving forward and the City is working along with Baldwin County to better assist with some future road projects. Foley Beach Express paving project will begin in August and should be completed in 120 days.

Visitor Comments

Frances Holk-Jones extended her appreciation and thanked The City of Foley for the outstanding job on Highway 59 and McKenzie St. Mrs. Holk-Jones also wanted to thank Council for the remarkable job on the restoration of a beautiful old oak tree.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Richard Dayton, seconded by Council Member Rick Blackwell to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.