



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Monday, January 27, 2014

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the emergency meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council members were present. Others present: Mayor John Koniar, Mike Thompson, Vickey Southern, Katy Taylor, Sandra Pate, Joey Darby, David Wilson, Dan Hellmich, Meg Hellmich, Sue Steigerwald, Joe Bouzan, Rachel Keith and Will Robinson Smith (Fox 10 News).

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

Discuss National Weather Service's Winter Storm Advisory

14-0091

Resolution closing City offices based upon the National Weather Services Advisory

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported the National Weather Service has issued a Winter Storm Advisory for most of the southern counties across the United States, i.e. Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Mobile and Baldwin. They predict precipitation will result in freezing rain, and sleet in the southern end of Baldwin County by mid-day making travel conditions hazardous. Mobile County has closed their schools for Tuesday and Wednesday. Baldwin County Commission and the Baldwin County School Board has closed their offices and schools for Tuesday, January 28th and will determine later tomorrow whether or not they will open on Wednesday depending on the weather. Mr. Thompson's recommendation is to close City offices, with the exception of emergency personnel, on Tuesday and ascertain whether or not to close Wednesday depending on weather conditions. Employees will be able to access the employee hotline and staff will keep the line updated. The next briefing will be tomorrow at 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Council member Ralph Hellmich made a motion to accept the resolution as presented with the addition that Council authorize the Mayor to make a determination on closing through Friday.

Councilwoman Quaites asked if the City will put anything down on the roads. Mr. Thompson reported he spoke with the County and they will be addressing various road situations and if they will need sanding. The City will also have sand on hand to put down on the roads. ALDOT has contractors in place and if they see any bridges that need sanding down they can have it done.

Chief Darby reported that his 7:00 a.m. shift has been told to hold over if employees have problems with coming into work because of hazardous road conditions.

Hearing no further comments President Trawick took a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Enactment No: 14-0026-RES

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Koniar reported this issue is with the children being out of school and employees having take off work because they are out.

Visitor's Comments

None to report.

Adjourn

Hearing no further comments Councilman Ebert made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Blackwell seconded the motion and the vote passed unanimously.