



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Monday, June 17, 2013

4:00 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Council members present: Ralph Hellmich, Charlie Ebert, Rick Blackwell, and Vera Quaite. Also present: Mayor John Koniar, City Administrator Mike Thompson, Sandra Pate, Katy Taylor, Vickey Southern, Jeff Rouzie, Steven Smith, LaDonna Hinesley, Butch Stokes, Suzanne Kellams, Miriam Boutwell, Leslie Gahagan, Sue Steigerwald, Pam Harris, Randy Bishop, Dan Hellmich, Meg Hellmich, David Vosloh, Ron Rowe, Joe Aldrete, Dave Von Lehmden, Theldon Higgins, Jon Butler, Randy Kurtts, and press representative Cathy Higgins.

Discussion Items

[13-0731](#)

A resolution supporting the display of the national motto "In God We Trust" in a prominent location in the Foley City Hall Council Chambers.

Attachments: [06-03-13 In God We Trust](#)

13-0731: A resolution supporting the display of the national motto "In God We Trust" in a prominent location in the Foley City Hall Council Chambers.

There was general consensus that this be approved and that the letters be placed around the round lighting area on the ceiling of the chamber.

Pam Harris will follow up to arrange this. This item was added to the Council meeting agenda as noted below.

Enactment No: 13-0364-RES

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda for June 17, 2013

The Council reviewed the Council meeting agenda for May 15, 2013 and had the following additions and removals:

Additions: There were two additions to the Council meeting agenda as follows:

13-0788: Consider resolution to waive or reduce building fees for Calvary Chapel Fellowship of Foley.

There was general consensus to waive the fees to minimum as is standard for this type of request.

13-0731: A resolution supporting the display of the national motto "In God We Trust" in a prominent location in the Foley City Hall Council Chambers.

Removals: There was one removal from the Council meeting agendas:

13-0772: Rescind Resolution 13-0241 and approve an amended Intergovernmental Service Agreement for CR 20 Improvements ATRIP Phase II. This item was tabled to a future meeting.

Mayor's Comments

The Mayor commented he thought everyone did a great job on the Balloon Fest. There were a couple of "hiccups" regarding handicap parking, but those were worked out satisfactorily.

Staff/Visitor's Comments

Mr. Ron Rowe from Parish Lakes subdivision addressed the Council. He commented that the residents of Parish Lakes feel like orphans and not like part of the City. He added that they don't get any information about what is going on at the City. Rumor is that the Blue Collar development is going to be like a Branson or Six Flags and very near their community so many are concerned about that and some are getting quite angry. They are also worried about Pride Drive extension and if there will be enough buffer between their subdivision and that major roadway. They are also having problems with their pumps on the retention ponds and they cannot get any action from D. R. Horton who purchased it from Crossroads LLC. Mr. Rowe asked for help to oversee D.R. Horton because there are many problems with grass and weeds and rats. The Council assured Mr. Rowe that Pride Drive will have plenty of buffer and also that the Blue Collar is actually quite a long distance from their subdivision. The Council advised Mr. Rowe that the weed abatement process was very lengthy, but that the City will do everything within its power to help the residents. The Council also suggested that the residents form a Home Owner's Association to be able to address some of the issues. Parish Lakes is located in Councilwoman Vera Quaites district so she will follow up with the residents of Parish Lakes. The City is limited on what they can do on private property, but will do anything to help if possible.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.