

# City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue Foley, AL 36535

## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

## **City Council**

Thursday, December 4, 2025 4:00 PM Council Chambers

#### **Special Called Council Meeting**

#### Call to Order

President Trawick called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

#### **Roll Call**

All Council Members were present. Also present: Mayor Ralph G. Hellmich, City Administrator Mike Thompson, Executive Director David Thompson, City Clerk Christi Watkins, JaNay Dawson, David Vosloh, James Shoots, Elizabeth Lugo, Deborah Mixon, Vera Quaites, Jessica Webb, Charity Williams, Gia Gipson, Joe Sharp, Lynn Smith, Katy White, Kate Norris, Eddie Tyler and Guy Busby.

**Present:** 5 - Tim Lower,Roderick Burkle,Larry Engel,Wayne Trawick and Charles Ebert III

#### **Moment of Reflection**

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Presentation**

### <u>25-0712</u> Foley Education Advisory Committee Presentation

The Principals of Foley schools—Gina Gipson of Florence B. Mathis Elementary, Brook Waters of Foley Elementary, PJ Sute of Magnolia Elementary, Lynn Smith of Swift Elementary, Katy White of Foley Middle School, and Jessica Webb of Foley High School—presented to the Council the methods by which the Foley Education Advisory Committee has supported their institutional growth. Examples of this support included: registration for professional conferences, provision of part-time employees to assist with mathematics, ELA, Spanish-speaking families, and attendance needs, ACT-Prep programs, attendance incentives, behavioral support, and funding for field trips. These initiatives have collectively resulted in measurable increases in student test scores and attendance.

#### **Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Hellmich conveyed his sincere appreciation and dedication to the City

of Foley Principals and the Foley Education Committee for their diligent efforts and commitment to the continuous improvement of our schools.

He also extended his gratitude to the Baldwin County Board of Education for their assistance in matching the donated funds and thanked Mr. Sharp and Mr. Tyler for their support of the Foley Education Advisory Committee.

#### **Visitor Comments**

Baldwin County School Superintendent Eddie Tyler expressed his gratitude to the City of Foley Principals for their dedication to their respective schools and for the achievements they have accomplished. He remarked that this cohort of principals represents some of the most diligent and enthusiastic individuals he has encountered in his career.

Superintendent for Secondary Education, Joe Sharp, expressed enthusiasm for his work in the Foley district, citing the profound dedication exhibited by the City of Foley Principals. He specifically commended their consistent and diligent efforts in identifying strategies to improve test scores.

Vice Chair David Vosloh requested that the Council deliberate on continuing the approval of funds allocated to the schools and consider an increase in those donations.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Council Member Roderick Burkle, seconded by Council Member Charles Ebert, III, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:24pm.