



City of Foley, AL

407 E. Laurel Avenue
Foley, AL 36535

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Monday, July 16, 2018

4:00 PM

Conference Room

Work Session

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the July 16, 2018 Work Session to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council Members were present with the exception of Councilmember Rick Blackwell who was absent due to travel. Also present: City Administrator Mike Thompson, City Clerk Katy Taylor, Sandra Pate, Kate Embry, David Wilson, Thurston Bullock, Leslie Gahagan, David Thompson, Joey Darby, Sue Steigerwald, LaDonna Hinesley, Tom DeBell, James Walker, Francis Holk Jones, and Press Representative Jessica Vaughn.

Discussion Items

[18-0326](#)

Discuss approving Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation's request for donation

Attachments: [Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation Request](#)

Francis Holk-Jones reported to the Council that the Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation has rented additional seating for the upcoming Rodeo; the rental is necessary due to the bleachers at the arena becoming a safety hazard and there is a need for additional seating. Ms. Holk-Jones reported to the Council that the foundation is requesting a donation for the seating from the City. Sports Tourism and Recreation Director David Thompson reported to the Council that the funds for the donation can be taken from Sports Tourism's account at this time. There was a consensus to allow Sports Tourism to pay for the rental of bleachers at the Jennifer Clair Moore Foundations annual rodeo event. There was no further discussion on this item.

[18-0355](#)

Discuss AMEA Project and Ground Lease.

James Walker of Riviera Utilities reported to the Council that solar panel project is ready to move forward; the area chosen for this project is the corner of Section Avenue and Hwy 59. Mr. Walker reported to the Council that the 50 kw solar panels would be used as an educational tool with informational

signage and a website to report the data collected. Mr. Walker reported that once the agreement was in place the project would take approximately two to three weeks to build and set up. Councilmember Ralph Hellmich reported to the Council that the City Attorney has reviewed the lease document and this will be a good educational tool for the community. There was no further discussion on this item.

Discuss Council Meeting Agenda of July 16, 2018

18 0265 Memorializes the FY 2017 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Application and accepts award.

Police Chief David Wilson reported to the Council that this grant assists the Police Department in purchasing new bulletproof vests. Chief Wilson reported that the bulletproof vests have a maximum life of approximately five years. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0324 Request to memorialize application for National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Alabama Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund 2018, Full Proposal for the Bon Secour Water Quality Improvement Project

Environmental Manager Leslie Gahagan reported to the Council that this project will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will include purchasing the 95 acres needed and design the water quality project. The second phase will be a separate grant to build the project. Mrs. Gahagan reported that the project will be funded at 100%. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0330 A Resolution approving a Ground Lease between the City of Foley and Alabama Municipal Electric Authority

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

18 0331 Lowering Speed Limit on Alston Street

Police Chief David Wilson reported to the Council that lowering the speed limit is in connection with the golf cart ordinance. Chief Wilson reported that the speed limit would be lowered from 30 mph to 25 mph. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0336 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT SW CORNER HWY 98 & S CYPRESS ST

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

18 0337 Acceptance and Use of South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, Riviera Utilities and Friends of Graham Creek Donation to Graham Creek Nature Preserve

Environmental Manager Leslie Gahagan reported to the Council that the South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, Riviera Utilities and Friends of Graham Creek have worked together to purchase kayaks, life vests, and paddles to be donated to the Graham Creek Nature Preserve. Mrs. Gahagan reported to the

Council that these items will be used for guided tours in the park. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0338 A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DECLARING WEEDS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING ITS ABATEMENT AT 149 MEADOW RUN LOOP

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

18 0339 Amend Resolution 18 1120 2018 OWA Fireworks Display Calendar

Fire Chief Joey Darby reported to the Council that OWA has requested to reschedule their Labor Day fireworks show in display in order to coincide with other events that will be held in the park during the weekend and allow the greatest number of visitors to attend the show. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0341 Residential Sanitation Write Offs as Uncollectible in the Amount of \$16.18

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

18 0342 A resolution to set a public hearing to consider Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone 24.47 +/- acres from B 2 (Neighborhood Business District) and R 1D (Residential Single Family) to PUD (Planned Unit Development) owned by McMath Properties, LLC.

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

18 0344 Surplus Vehicles to be Donated to Mt. Vernon, Alabama Police Department

Police Chief David Wilson reported to the Council that the older vehicles are no longer used by the Police Department and the donation of these vehicles to Mt. Vernon Police Department would be more beneficial than selling them. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0345 Police Department requests to declare bikes as surplus and donate them to Liberty Church

Police Chief David Wilson reported to the Council that the Police Department would like to donate unclaimed bikes to Liberty Church to be used in their donation drive. Chief Wilson reported that the church uses the bikes as decorative pieces to be purchased from businesses, organizations, and individuals for a donation. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

18 0347 A Resolution To Rescind Resolution 2323 04 Authorizing Land Lease To Habitat For Humanity Of Baldwin County

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

18 0357 A Resolution Amending Resolution 18 1149 Approving The Sale of the

Cactus Cafe/Historic Foley Bakery Building

City Administrator Mike Thompson reported to the Council that the original resolution 18-1149 needs to be amended due to a change in terms. Mr. Thompson reported that the terms will be amended to reflect a refundable deposit and a decrease in due diligence from six months to 180 days. There was no further discussion on this item, it remained on the agenda.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor John Koniar reported to the Council that the National League of Cities is endorsing an insurance program that protects the water line from homes to streets. Mayor Koniar reported that this program educates the community on the hazards.

Councilmember Charlie Ebert reported to the Council that there have been a few auto mishaps around East Violet Avenue and North Poplar Street. Mr. Ebert reported to the Council that drivers are cutting to sharp at the turn and getting stuck on the man hole cover. Mr. Ebert requested the Engineering Department to look at the area and possibly marking the hazard.

Visitor Comments

Fire Chief Joey Darby reported to the Council that Saturday, July 21, 2018 OWA will host their rescheduled Memorial Day fireworks show.

Adjournment

Hearing no further comments, the July 16, 2018 Work Session adjourned at 4:54 p.m.