



Regular Minutes of the City Council

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers of Municipal Complex
Monday, May 16, 2022 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING: Council President Colvin called the Pre-Council Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Councilman Tapley, Councilman Hardy, Councilman Eric Brown, Councilman Chris Brown, and Councilman Keel were present.

Absent: None

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Amanda Thomas, Al Jones, Chris Hardy, Lynn Miller, Gerard Brewer, Allison Bishop, Teresa Moten, Robert Boleware, John McWhorter, Arelene Wyckoff, Captain Orr, Chris Cousins, Mark Lamborne, Jan Jones, Caroline Brown, Scotty Price, Piper Barnett and others.

During the Pre-Council Meeting, department heads discussed several agenda items:

Gerard Brewer, Lynn Miller, and Chris Cousins informed the council of capital improvement fees for water and sewer, and issues with the rising costs of repaving roads with the allotted ACRIP funds.

Amanda Thomas, Scotty Price, and Caroline Brown informed the Council of a system that they are hoping to implement to track development and goals for the future for the Revenue Department.

Hearing no further discussion or questions, Council President Colvin ended the Pre-Council Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: Council President Colvin called the Council Meeting to order at 5:44 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2022, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Councilman Tapley, Councilman Hardy, Councilman Eric Brown, Councilman Chris Brown, and Councilman Keel were present.

Absent: None

Others present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Amanda Thomas, Al Jones, Chris Hardy, Lynn Miller, Gerard Brewer, Allison Bishop, Teresa Moten, Robert Boleware, John McWhorter, Arelene Wyckoff, Captain Orr, Chris Cousins, Mark Lamborne, Jan Jones, Caroline Brown, Scotty Price, Piper Barnett and others.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
April 21, 2022, Work Session
April 27, 2022, Special Called Meeting
May 2, 2022 Regular Meeting

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hardy. There being no discussion, the minutes were approved with the following vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: May 16, 2022

Councilman Tapley made a motion to amend the agenda to add ACRIP FY22 Paving as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott Hardy. There being no discussion, amending the agenda was not approved due to lack of unanimous consent with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN

NAYS: KEEL

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance: All delinquent tax accounts have been contacted, and only 15 are still delinquent. 158 business licenses were purchased in April.

Public Safety Committee: ACFD assisted in a dive search on Lake Hardin. Graduation for fire trainees will take place Friday. Public Safety Day will be Saturday May, 21st at the Sportplex from 10-2. National Police Officer week ends May 18th.

Utilities Committee: HCS has 85% of the SCADA at Sugar Creek working. The Sewer Department is working on easement at the Coley Creek Basin. Deliveries has started for the Alabama Graphite Project. The Water Department are cleaning and repairing equipment at the Adams Filter Plant. The water pipe has been delivered for the Legacy Project.

Parks and Recreation Committee: 25 teams came for a recent tournament. There will be a softball tournament in June. The golf course is doing great.

Public Works Committee: The Public Works Department will hold an employee appreciation luncheon for Public Works Week on Friday.

Buildings and Properties Committee: Councilman Tapley informed everyone about the activities at the libraries. The summer reading program, "Oceans of Possibilities" starts soon.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None

PUBLIC HEARING: Hear public comment on Re-Zoning 480 Laurel Street.

Opened: 5:41 p.m.

Teresa Harrell Moten from Co-Pace, Inc. spoke out against the change

Closed: 5:45 p.m.

REPORT ON STATUS OF CITY FINANCES: Romy Stamps informed the Council that the budget will need to be amended across the board due to rising gas prices.

PROCLAMATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance 2022-18: An Ordinance to Amend Section 90-108 of the Alexander City Code as it Pertains to Natural Gas Rates

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve the ordinance as written. Councilman Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the ordinance was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Reading: Ordinance 2022-19: An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map and Rezone 480 Laurel Street

Councilman Tapley made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration. Councilman Scott Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the motion was denied due to lack of unanimous consent with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN

NAYS: KEEL

2. Resolution 22-61: A Resolution to Award Bid 22-06, FY22 Annual Sanitary Maintenance and Rehabilitation for the Sewer Department to Video Industrial Services

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve Resolution 22-61 as written. Councilman Scott Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

3. Resolution 22-62: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Lease Agreement (Lease ID 2022-020) with the Alabama Department of Revenue

Councilman Tapley made a motion to approve Resolution 22-62 as written. Councilman Scott Hardy seconded the motion. There being no further discussion the resolution was approved with the following roll call vote.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Arelene Wyckoff asked that we be accountable for the money the city spends and be considerate of others.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR: Last week the Police Department had an awards ceremony. Congratulations to the police officers recognized. Thankful for the Alexander City employees. Alexander City has a bright future.

COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR: None

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY CLERK: Thank you.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:

Tapley: Blues in the Park was fun and a great success. ACPD needs to manage money properly. Memorial Day is coming up.

Hardy: Thank you for attending this Work Session and Council Meeting. We are on the cusp, and we are looking at a balance. We want to make sure we are all carrying the weight. We are starting Public Works week this week.

Eric Brown: National Police Officer Week is coming up and DARE Fun Day is on the 21st. Thank you to the staff for digging and performing their due diligence. Appreciate the citizens of Alexander City.

Chris Brown: Thank you for attending. Thank you for work session presentations.

Keel: Appreciate everyone coming out. Take care of our people.

Colvin: Thank everyone here, and I appreciate the input. The city is growing through growing pains.

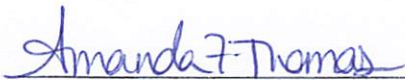
ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Scott Hardy made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Buffy Colvin. The meeting adjourned (6-0) at 6:27 p.m.

YEAS: TAPLEY, COLVIN, HARDY, ERIC BROWN, CHRIS BROWN AND KEEL

NAYS: NONE



Presiding Officer



City Clerk

METHOD OF DELIVERY: The draft minutes were emailed to the Council for review on Friday, June 3, 2022.

OTHER: The agenda was posted to the City's website and bulletin board located at the Municipal Complex.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Agenda

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

1. Public Hearing Sign-In Sheet