



Work Session Minutes of the City Council

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex
Monday, December 19, 2022 --- Meeting at 4:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING: Council President Colvin called the Work Session Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 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, Kathy Railey, Arelene Wyckoff, Robert Boleware, Kasey Kaschek, T.J. Tuck, Piper Barnett and others.

OPENING PRAYER: Councilman Tapley

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Hardy

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:

1. Additional Paid Holidays for City Employees
Kathy Railey recommended that the City of Alexander City adopt Juneteenth and Good Friday as paid holidays. The added days would be in line with the number of paid holidays that other surrounding cities and counties observe.
2. Discuss the Schedule for the 2023 Council Meetings
Amanda Thomas went over the 2023 Council Meeting schedule and they talked about which ones needed to be moved for holidays.
3. Other Items:
 - a. The council members also asked about publishing past tax revenue totals on the City's website.
 - b. The council and Amanda talked about the progress of the special event ordinance.
 - c. Amanda and the Mayor updated the council on the HWY 63 South line.
 - d. Amanda and the Mayor informed the council about the Alabama Graphite Project.
 - e. Amanda Thomas talked about the plan for the sidewalks.
 - f. Amanda updated the council on the work she's done to find the best rate for property insurance.
 - g. Everyone talked about the process/progress of City Works PLL implementation.
 - h. The Bud Porch center will be closing at the end of the year and the Nutrition Program is settling in at CACC in the Health, Education, and Arts Building.
 - i. The City's surpassed its fundraising goal for the United Way. We planned for \$34,000 and raised \$34,573.73.
 - j. The Mayor and council talked about the Board of Education and their plans for the new high school building.
 - k. The Mayor talked to the council about an emergency situation at the school and an airplane crash that occurred on the same day. The Police and Fire Departments were quick to respond. Each department's expert actions helped the city leaders stay calm and be confident that the events were looked after in the best way possible.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: The work session adjourned at 5:01 p.m.



Presiding Officer



City Clerk

METHOD OF DELIVERY: The draft minutes were emailed to the Council for review on Wednesday, January 4, 2022.

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Agenda

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: None