



Regular Council Meeting Minutes

281 James D. Nabors Drive
Council Chambers of Municipal Complex
Monday, April 15, 2024 --- Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING: Council President Colvin called the Pre-Council Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. All Councilors were recorded as being present.

Individuals present included: Mayor Baird, Romy Stamps, Finance Director; Piper Barnett, Administrative Assistant; Police Captain Tuck; Drew Meacham, Public Works Director; Christy Clayton, IT; Lynn Miller, Wastewater Superintendent; Sasha Stewart, Purchasing Agent. Others present included: Jeff Lynn, Teresa Moten, Arlean Wyckoff, and Laldas Patel.

Related to agenda item #1, Mr. Lynn Miller reported that this is a standard contract.

Council President Colvin reported that agenda item #2 is a transfer of license. Councilor Tapley thanked Mr. Patel for being present.

CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: Council President Colvin called the Council Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex.

The opening prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was held during the work session, preceding the city council meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular City Council meeting April 1, 2024. Councilor Tapley made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, the minutes were adopted (6-0).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Regular City Council meeting April 15, 2024. Councilor Tapley made a motion to amend the agenda to add two Proclamations. Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. The amendment to the agenda was approved (6 - 0). Councilor Tapley made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. The agenda was approved, as amended (6-0).

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:

Council President Colvin thanked the Finance and Revenue departments for their hard work.

Councilor Eric Brown: The Alexander City Police Department has seven (7) openings for officers if anyone is interested in applying.

Councilor Keel: The city had some bad weather last week with lines being down and the utility department got everyone back up and running.

Councilor Chris Brown: The golf course has increased revenues from this time last year. The course has never played better. He commended Kasey for seeking out a good quality carnival. Per their agreement, James Gang Amusements donated \$8,614.00 to the rebuild of the Imagination Station.

Opening Day for baseball, softball, and T-Ball was a success. We estimate that around 1,000 attended opening day ceremonies. Good luck to all of our teams this year. Reminder that the parking lot is still under construction so right now it is handicapped parking only on game nights. Please do not damage the ongoing construction, as this takes away funds for future projects.

We are still accepting applications for lifeguards for the pools this year. Contact the Parks and Recreation main office for more information.

We have 2 openings in our maintenance division at the Sportplex. Please contact Parks and Recreation or HR for more details.

First ever “Dudesday” for the male members of the Senior Center is coming up. The group will head to see the Montgomery Biscuits play on May 1st. Monthly Bingo will be on April 17th this month. If you are interested in senior programming, please call Corley at the Senior Center in the Sportplex.

As always, get your cabin, pavilion, or Cooper reservations online now at acpr.recdesk.com.

The covering for the gym floor has been ordered, and as soon as it is installed, the Cooper Gym will be available to rent at acpr.recdesk.com

Keep Dana and Mark Fuller in your prayers. Mark is one of our employees at the Airport and a former councilmember and were involved in a vehicle accident on Friday. Dana is still in the hospital.

Council President Pro Tempore Hardy: Beginning Wednesday, April 17th, 2024 at 8:00 a.m., the southbound lane of Elkahatchee Road at the entrance of the new BRHS school will be closed for utility work. The closure is expected to last through Friday, April 19th, 2024. If possible, please avoid this area during working hours. Both lanes will be open for overnight through traffic. Stayed tuned to our Public Works Facebook page for routine updates. We appreciate your patience.

Councilor Tapley: Amy Huff wants to recognize the Tuesday Study Club. They are a group of women who have had the local library for the past century and have made the library what it is today.

Today, there are over 30,790 volumes in the library, and over 36,600 were checked out during the library’s 2023 fiscal year, according to Huff. They also offer over 45,000 electronic books and audiobooks.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None

PUBLIC HEARING: None

REPORT ON STATUS OF CITY FINANCES: Romy Stamps, Finance Director, gave a financial report, as attached.

PROCLAMATION: Mayor Baird read Proclamations (as attached) to recognize the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Community College Month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. RESOLUTION: To Award Bid Number 24-10 to Gulf Coast Underground, LLC for 2024 Annual Sanitary Sewer Maintenance and Rehabilitation at a Cost not to Exceed \$531,424.20. (Sponsored By: Councilor Keel) **RESOLUTION BOOK 2024 - 37**

Councilor Tapley made a motion to adopt the resolution as written. Councilor Chris Brown seconded the motion. Councilor Eric Brown thanked Lynn and his department for the cost savings on this project. There being no further discussion, the resolution was adopted with the following roll call vote:

YEAS:	TAPLEY, HARDY, E. BROWN, COLVIN, C. BROWN, KEEL	6
NAYS:	NONE	0
ABSTAINED:	NONE	0
ABSENT:	NONE	0

2. REQUEST: Transfer ABC Retail Beer and Wine License (Off Premises only) from Nehal International, Inc. to Sayona 4 Inc. DBA Koons 3, Located at 941 Jefferson Street, Alexander City. (Sponsored By: Councilor Tapley)

Councilor Tapley made a motion to approve the request as presented. Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. Councilor Tapley thanked Mr. Patel for the cleanup of Koon3 since he has taken over ownership. There being no further discussion, the request was approved with the following roll call vote:

YEAS:	TAPLEY, HARDY, E. BROWN, COLVIN, C. BROWN, KEEL	6
NAYS:	NONE	0
ABSTAINED:	NONE	0
ABSENT:	NONE	0

PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker):

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR: Request for prayers for Mark and Dana Fuller following an automobile accident last Friday. Mark works at the Airport and Dana had twenty-nine years of service to the city before her December, 2023 retirement.

COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR: The loan on the Complex matures in May and there are currently two banks competing for the loan.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY CLERK: Our next City Council meeting will be held Monday, May 6, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:

Councilor Chris Brown thanked everyone for coming out and encouraged them to play a round of golf.

Councilor Keel thanked everyone for coming out and those listening on Facebook. Enjoy the weather and get out and look at all of the new construction going on around the city.

Councilor Tapley thanked everyone for coming out as well as the city employees and the mayor's staff.

Council President Pro Tempore Hardy thanked everyone for their attendance.

Councilor Eric Brown thanked all of the faithful attendees as well as the city employees and mayor's staff and the great job they do to keep the city moving forward. He further thanked all of those behind the scenes that do so much with so little recognition.

Council President Colvin thanked everyone for coming out, the mayor, his staff, Kasey and Stephanie on the new microphones. She reminded everyone that there is a vacancy on the Board of Education and can find an application on the city's website. Applications will be accepted through close of business on April 30, 2024. She thanked Mr. Jeff Lynn for the things he's doing at CACC for the students and our citizens. There was a gala held there this weekend for KeKe, one of the young people that was killed in the Dadeville shooting last year. The family awarded four (4) scholarships from the event.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the council, Councilor Tapley made a motion to adjourn and Council President Pro Tempore Hardy seconded the motion. All were in favor (6-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

APPROVED:

FOR PUBLIC RELEASE FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

Audrey "Butty" Colvin
Council President

Stephanie J. Southerland
City Clerk

METHOD OF DELIVERY:

The draft minutes were e-mailed to the mayor, city council members and the city attorney on April 22, 2024 for review.

OTHER:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Agenda
2. Sign – in sheet
3. Proclamations
4. Finance statement



Regular Council Meeting Agenda

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Call to Order: Council President Colvin

Opening Prayer: Held in Work Session

Pledge of Allegiance: Held in Work Session

Roll Call:

Approval of Minutes: April 1, 2024 Regular Meeting

Approval of Agenda: April 15, 2024

Reports from Council on Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: Council President Colvin
Public Safety Committee: Councilor Eric Brown
Utilities Committee: Councilor Keel
Parks and Recreation: Councilor Chris Brown
Public Works Committee: Council President Pro Tempore Hardy
Buildings and Properties: Councilor Tapley

Reports from Special Committees:

Public Hearing: None

Report on Status of City Finances: Romy Stamps, Finance Director

Proclamation: None

Unfinished Business: None

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Public Comments (3 minutes per speaker):

Comments from the Mayor:

Comments from the Finance Director:

Comments from the City Clerk:

Comments from the Council:

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6th, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

PROCLAMATION
Sexual Assault Awareness Month
April 2024

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in every person in every community. SAAM aims to raise public awareness about sexual abuse, harassment, and assault and educate communities about how to be involved in prevention.

WHEREAS, this year's SAAM campaign theme, Building Connected Communities, calls on each of us to work together to prevent sexual abuse, harassment, and assault. We believe when anyone experiences sexual violence, every community member is affected. We must strive to build more connected, respectful, and inclusive communities to promote our collective well-being and protect against the risk of sexual violence. We believe all of our communities will be safer and stronger by making them more equitable for people of all races, ethnic backgrounds, ages, faiths, and abilities.

WHEREAS, Statistics show:

Over 53% of women and over 29% of men reported experiencing contact sexual violence in their lifetime (Chen, et al., 2023).

32.9% of adults with intellectual disabilities have experienced sexual violence (Tomsa, et al., 2021).

WHEREAS, we must strive to create strong, connected communities that take care of one another and make decisions to ensure the safety and well-being of others to end sexual violence.

WHEREAS, the Building Connected Communities campaign is an opportunity for our community to join with others around the world in committing to prevent sexual abuse, assault, and harassment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I join advocates and communities across the county in taking action to prevent sexual violence. April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and each day of the year is an opportunity to create change for the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexander City affixed this the 15th day of April 2024.

FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

Curtis "Woody" Baird
Mayor





**City of Alexander City
Banking Statement Balances**

	Previous Three Months Review			One Year Comparison	
	12/31/2023	1/31/2024	2/29/2024	3/31/2023	3/31/2024
Truist Bank					
Economic Development	97,440.36	97,441.19	97,441.96	97,433.01	97,442.79
River Bank					
Municipal Court Collect	329,838.80	317,100.49	311,872.30	400,883.39	311,195.39
Municipal Court Cash Bond Acct	91,643.38	94,434.93	96,100.78	36,198.38	93,916.96
Clearing Account	40,393.35	40,393.35	1,264,389.24	285,149.15	1,582,472.61
ACRIP	2,221,620.49	1,651,620.49	2,256,579.90	1,647,368.17	2,224,091.67
ACPR/Sportplex	253,146.97	24,688.71	542,203.51	295,691.52	439,493.31
Imagination Station	160,758.79	160,758.79	84,101.79	16,005.00	86,341.79
SRF - Clear Water	1,409,436.09	1,409,436.09	1,409,436.09	4,219,400.39	1,065,541.39
Sewer Capital Improvement	471,681.58	471,681.58	487,778.32	199,648.81	487,778.32
SRF - Wicker Point	397,026.13	305,768.15	7,801.60	103,378.76	7,801.60
Valley Bank					
#75 School Acct #10	665,844.02	1,335,898.11	178,783.80	147,019.79	199,551.49
Operating Reserves	1,476,459.08	1,473,524.08	1,434,323.94	2,418,496.90	1,439,068.61
Utility Deposit	944,489.10	957,230.37	965,605.87	727,287.10	974,639.07
Utility Collection	8,891,357.63	9,011,540.73	9,370,380.65	5,558,031.09	9,595,348.92
4 Cent Gas Tax	234,736.33	241,237.45	215,001.11	227,532.66	221,118.60
Golf Course	460,161.64	428,793.00	417,123.22	489,541.86	415,645.18
Airport Operations	406,593.20	152,086.03	91,551.84	29,991.14	102,108.96
Sales & Use Tax	2,290,658.01	2,381,670.82	2,296,951.51	1,176,727.51	2,253,710.41
Ala Trust Fund	280,275.38	281,343.65	282,346.80	138,105.25	283,422.96
Water Capital Improvement	681,770.39	688,080.36	698,139.35	502,089.34	706,373.46
General Operating	3,298,398.21	4,949,146.98	4,164,783.64	3,818,530.62	5,385,322.79
Rebuild Alabama	421,607.55	434,128.80	446,065.73	322,724.37	457,852.82
CD	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	0.00	1,500,000.00
Wells Fargo					
WF - General Fund	1,992,066.33	1,955,610.20	1,999,488.94	1,961,499.90	2,002,569.33
State Gasoline Fund	703,491.41	710,506.71	717,033.87	1,079,468.92	723,699.94
Payroll Account 2	506,134.93	475,117.30	1,032,550.58	617,436.88	490,849.79
Motor Vehicle Tax	184,980.09	184,980.09	184,980.09	184,980.09	184,980.09

Total Balance @ period end \$30,412,009.24 \$31,734,218.45 \$32,552,816.43 \$26,700,620.00 \$33,332,338.25

General Operating Funds Breakdown:

Combined Balances 10/31/2023	33,332,338.25
Less err marked funds:	11,179,968.86
Less utility funds:	10,595,348.92
Less Outstanding checks/payroll:	2,698,598.89
Projects Clean Water & Wicker Point):	1,073,342.99
Less Committed Capital Funds:	1,338,016.00
Less Imagination Station Donations	86,341.79
General Fund Available Funds:	6,360,720.80

Utility Fund Breakdown:

Combined Balances 10/31/2023:	12,764,139.77
Less utility err marked funds:	2,168,790.85
Less Outstanding checks/payroll:	0.00
Utility Fund Available Funds:	10,595,348.92

**Finance Department
Accounts Payable Summary
February and March 2024**

February

<u>Check Date</u>	<u>Checks Written</u>	<u>Invoices Paid</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>	<u>% Paid in 30 Days</u>	<u>% Paid in 10 days</u>
2/2/2024	80	182	\$2,150,834.36	85%	41%
2/9/2024	100	359	\$807,362.93	84%	36%
2/16/2024	89	297	\$2,159,028.08	78%	41%
2/23/2024	103	507	\$1,020,026.73	90%	51%
2/29/2024	73	98	\$469,533.78	91%	80%
Totals:	445	1443	\$6,606,785.88	85%	50%

March

<u>Check Date</u>	<u>Checks Written</u>	<u>Invoices Paid</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>	<u>% Paid in 30 Days</u>	<u>% Paid in 10 days</u>
3/8/2024	115	343	\$421,339.11	95%	58%
3/14/2024	71	424	\$339,669.42	92%	28%
3/22/2024	67	305	\$1,508,819.66	81%	51%
3/28/2024	63	131	\$1,010,932.42	90%	55%
Totals:	316	1203	\$3,280,760.61	90%	48%

City of Alexander City, Alabama City Council Public Comments Sign-In Sheet

Agenda Item: Public Comments (3 Min Per Speaker)

Date & Time: 4/15/2024 at 5:30 pm

Public Comments before the City Council are an opportunity for citizens to express their views.
If you wish to speak, please indicate in the appropriate box when you sign in.

ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK MUST SIGN-IN

Print Name

**If you would like to speak to the Council
please print your address or district**

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