

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SYLACAUGA HELD MAY 2, 2017**

1. Council President Lee Perryman called meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Donnie Blackmon, Lee Perryman, Dallas Davenport; Absent: None. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Carden were also present.
3. Invocation was given by Frank Bryant, Frank Bryant Ministries.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council President.
5. Report from Mayor Jim Heigl:
 - 1) Announced that the City will begin recognizing City employees who reach specific five-year milestones in their years of service with the City; recognition will be at the council meeting closest to their anniversary date. Recognized Street Dept. employee Larry McGhee for 25 years of service in May, 2017, and Police Officer Doug Kemp for 25 years of service in April, 2017.
 - 2) Proclaimed May 7-13, 2017, as Public Service Recognition Week in the City of Sylacauga. City Clerk Patricia Carden accepted the proclamation on behalf of public service employees of the City as well as public service employees elsewhere.
 - 3) Proclaimed May 7-13, 2017, as Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Sylacauga. City Clerk Patricia Carden accepted the proclamation in recognition of the position she holds with the City, and on behalf of her staff.
6. Adopt Agenda:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Blackmon to amend agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
7. Approve minutes of the regular city council meeting held April 18, 2017:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve minutes as written was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Action that is necessary to adopt ordinance authorizing participation in the State of Alabama Department of Revenue 2017 Sales Tax Holiday during the weekend of July 21-23, 2017:

Ordinance #2185-17 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Davenport, second by Councilman Fowler to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give ordinance immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to adopt Ordinance 2185-17 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

9. Action that is necessary to approve resolution approving agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission and authorizing funding for operation and administration of the FY2018 Section 5311 Grant for Public Transportation Program:

Resolution #15-2017 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to suspend the rules and give immediate consideration was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

Upon unanimous consent by Council to give resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve Resolution 15-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Mayor James Heigl to reassign Public Defender Joe Carlton to the position of City Prosecutor in the Municipal Court—Effective June 1, 2017, at the rate of \$1,500.00 per month:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to accept recommendation as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for HR Specialist Jayne McGee to take comprehensive examination for HR Professional through the Alabama Association of Public Personnel Administrators Government & Economic Institute, Auburn University on June 9, 2017—Exam fee is \$50.00; Additional costs for mileage and meals will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for McGee is \$136.15:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve travel/expenses as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$49,019.30 for accounts payable invoices received to date for April, 2017:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize payment of accounts payable invoices as presented was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

13. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council.

1) Mayor Heigl recognized Accounting Specialist Yourlanda Burns and commended on her recent completion of the required training to earn the designation of Certified Governmental Accounting Technician through the University of Alabama and the GFOA Certification Program. Mayor Heigl recognized the importance of employee education/training and commended employees for such achievements.

2) Mayor Heigl reminded citizens about the once per week garbage schedules and gave an overview of the Street Dept. yard waste routes. He advised citizens to call City Hall if they have specific questions about their service, or if they need more information. Heigl encouraged citizens to recycle more as a way to reduce their household garbage.

3) Mayor Heigl advised citizens that the City will begin enforcing its litter laws, and asked that citizens be aware and make a conscious effort to help keep the city clean and free of litter.

- 4) Mayor Heigl reminded citizens that the National Day of Prayer ceremony has been moved to the Council Chambers due to the prediction of severe weather at the time of the event.

14. Having no further business to discuss,
A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to adjourn was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

(Time of adjournment 6:19 p.m.)

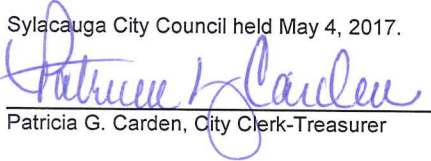
APPROVED BY COUNCIL MAY 16, 2017:



Lee Perryman, President of City Council

CERTIFICATION:

I, PATRICIA G. CARDEN, as City Clerk-Treasurer of the CITY OF SYLACAUGA, ALABAMA, do hereby certify that the foregoing document constitutes a true and correct permanent record of the action taken during the regular meeting of the Sylacauga City Council held May 4, 2017.



Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer