

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SYLACAUGA HELD MAY 16, 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 Bro. Rick Patrick of First Baptist Church.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council President.
5. Report from Mayor Jim Heigl:
Announced that the Tree Commission approved the removal of the Red Maples that were removed from Norton Avenue due to the damage the roots were causing to the sidewalks. Also, the First Presbyterian Church has requested that the Bradford Pear trees along the street near the church be removed. Trees removed from both locations will be replaced with trees more suitable as street trees.
6. Adopt Agenda:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to amend agenda to add an item to authorize renewal of building lease with William Davis 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 May 2, 2017:
A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix 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 accept recommendation from Mayor James Heigl to authorize an expenditure of \$5,000.00 to Alabama Spay & Neuter Clinic toward a matching donor program to provide spay/neuter services for City of Sylacauga animal shelter animals which are to be adopted—*ASNC has donor funds which will match dollar for dollar the City's funding:*
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize expenditure as recommended was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
9. Action that is necessary to approve request from Street Supt. Reed Calfee for authorization to request a job posting for a Construction Worker II; Pay grade SM-2, at Step 1 at a rate of \$11.49/hour:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize job posting as requested was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
10. Action that is necessary to approve requests for a refund of overpayment of 2017 business license fee as follows:

Allstate Insurance Company	\$ 20.00
Allstate Indemnity Company	\$ 20.00

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

11. Action that is necessary to authorize refund in the amount of \$406.57 to Amanda Ledbetter (214 S. Norton Avenue) for payment of garbage services for garage apartment (214 ½ S. Norton Avenue) used only for storage for April, 2015 through March, 2017—*City was billed for services at the residence, but not for services at the apartment:*

A motion by Councilman Davenport, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize refund of garbage fees 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 a one-time waiver of the ordinance provision for passing on the \$0.36 per customer rate increase from WastePro for residential garbage pick-up effective June 1, 2017—*Garbage ordinance states that all rate increases resulting from CPI escalation clause in garbage contract will be passed on to the residents upon a 30-day notice at the time the increase becomes effective to the City:*

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilwoman Nix to authorize payment of rate increase by city as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

13. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$357,625.96 for payrolls for April, 2017:

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

14. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$190,758.69 for balance of accounts payable invoices 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.

15. Action that is necessary to authorize three-year lease with William Davis for the city-owned building (old hospital laundry) located on Third Street:

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

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

1) Jonathan Hall, representing the VVA Chapter 945 and American Legion Post 45—Announced that Memorial Day services will be held at the Legion and at the War Memorials at the Chamber of Commerce, with refreshments at the Legion following the services. Mr. Hall also announced that the Legion will host a flag retirement at the Legion on June 6th.

2) Don Wilson, Oldfield Road—Reminded Council that he had spoken previously about the Veterans Memorial at Pinecrest Park. He encouraged Council and citizens to work together toward this project. City Clerk clarified that the City has been planning this project since Mayor Wright's first term, and that Jim Ward had provided

architectural drawings for the proposed memorial. Carden further stated a non-profit through the Parks & Recreation Department has been created for park renovation projects and that contribution forms have been prepared for the veterans project and encouraged anyone interested in helping with the project to come by and pick up the forms.

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

(Time of adjournment 6:15 p.m.)

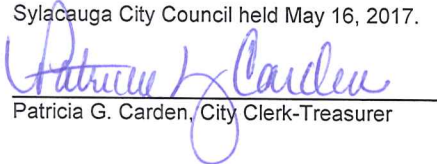
APPROVED BY COUNCIL JUNE 6, 2017:



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 16, 2017.


Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer