

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SYLACAUGA HELD JUNE 6, 2017**

1. Council President Lee Perryman called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Tiffany Nix, Donnie Blackmon, Lee Perryman, Dallas Davenport; Absent: Ashton Fowler. Mayor James Heigl and City Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Carden were also present.
3. Invocation was given by Rev. Danny Courson, Odena Baptist Church.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council President.
5. Report from Mayor Jim Heigl:
 - 1) Mayor Heigl commented that the additional rain expected over the next few days will continue to slow clean-up of the resulting fallen trees/limbs, and asked citizens to be patient during the clean-up.
 - 2) Announced that the property deal with Hutton has closed and that the money has been transferred to the City's account. Hutton will begin pulling permits and moving dirt on the project in the next few weeks. Thanked the city departments who worked with Hutton to move the project forward, and the City Attorney for his help in protecting the City's interests.
 - 3) Stated that the City has taken delivery of a new van for use in the Transportation Program. Heigl went on to recognize Transportation Driver, Tina Nicholson, for her quick response upon discovering a house on fire while driving her van. Ms. Nicholson notified emergency personnel and then remained on the scene until they arrived. Her quick actions likely kept the fire from spreading to neighboring houses and to wooded areas nearby.
 - 4) Stated that they have started a Land Acquisition Committee which will begin meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the IDB office immediately following the Industrial Development Board meeting. The Committee consists of the Mayor, Council President, Manager of Utilities Board, IDB Chairman, Chamber of Commerce Director, and the Economic Development Authority Director. Commented that this group used to be the Land Oversight Committee, but now it is the Land Acquisition Committee because we need to be sure that we use our land properly for industry, for development, and utilities.
 - 5) Reported on the Animal Shelter numbers relative to intakes and transfers/adoptions, and thanked the shelter staff for their work.
6. Adopt Agenda:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Blackmon to adopt agenda was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
7. Approve minutes of the regular city council meeting held May 16, 2017:

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

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing Amendment #1 to the Agreement for Engineering Services with CDG Engineers & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$7,900.00 for the additional scope of work necessary to remove the previously designed drainage improvements from the TAP Grant project plans, specifications, and estimate for the extension of the Downtown Streetscape Project along Hwy 21/Broadway between 3rd Street and 4th Street—*Original agreement authorized through Resolution 19-2015, dated 4/21/2015:*

Resolution #16-2017 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Davenport, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution 16-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

9. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing Barge Waggoner Sumner & Cannon to file grant application for the FY2017 Airport Improvement Project consisting of the design only phase of the runway rehabilitation at an estimated project cost of \$100,000.00; Anticipated Federal participation is \$90,000.00, with State Aeronautics participation anticipated at \$5,000.00, and a required local funding commitment of \$5,000.00—*(Anticipated construction of project is proposed to occur in FY2018, but no projected construction amount is included in this phase/pre-application; FAA Pre-application authorized through Resolution 54-2016, approved 11-02-2016 & State Funding Application authorized through Resolution 55-2016, approved 11-02-2016):*

Resolution #17-2017 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 17-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve resolution declaring certain Transportation Program Vehicles as surplus property no longer needed for city purposes and requesting permission from East Alabama Planning & Development Commission for authorization for disposal through GovDeals.com online auction or through other appropriate manner as authorized by state law—*Action by Council authorizes distribution of a prorated share of the proceeds from vehicle sales to be returned to EARPC as required under terms of vehicle purchase agreement:*

- 1) 2008 Goshen Coach Pacer II Van, S/N 1FD3E35L18DB46197, Mileage 140,487
- 2) 2008 Goshen Coach Pacer II Van, S/N 1FD3E35L38DB46198, Mileage 142,709

Resolution #18-2017 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 18-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to approve subdivision bond posted by Hutton MCS Sylacauga, LLC for completion of the proposed retail shopping center on Hwy 280—*Bond was originally presented to the Planning Commission on 3/23/2017; but was resubmitted directly to City with an increased valuation of \$900,000.00 to properly reflect the development security as recommended by Insite Engineering, as consultant for the City of Sylacauga, and the City's legal counsel:*

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Davenport to approve subdivision bond as recommended by City's consultant was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to approve request from Street Supt. Reed Calfee for authorization of an extension of the temporary employment of the following three (3) TempForce-Smart Staffing Solutions employees currently assigned to the Animal Shelter—*No change in rate of pay, and all temporary employees combined will work no more than a total of 120 hours per week:*

- 1) Dixie Harwell; 6-month extension will expire 8/10/2017

- 2) Stanley Peters; 6-month extension will expire 9/19/2017
- 3) Carli Love; 6-month extension will expire 9/30/2017

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

13. Action necessary to approve request from Street Supt. Reed Calfee for authority to contract with TempForce-Smart Staffing Solutions for the services of one (1) temporary animal shelter kennel worker for up to six (6) months at the billable rate of \$12.83 per hour (inclusive of all insurance, benefits, payroll taxes, and pre-employment screenings and orientations. NOTE: Employee pay rate +35% TF markup = Billable rate)—*Temporary employee will replace the temp employee who resigned in May, 2017 & bring total of temp shelter workers up to four (4); All temporary employees combined will work no more than a total of 120 hours per week:*

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

14. Action that is necessary to approve request from HR Specialist Jayne McGee and Interim Fire Chief Adam Gardner for authorization to request a job posting (promotional posting) for a Fire Lieutenant; Pay grade PS-3, at Step 1 at a rate of \$14.37/hour:

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

15. Action that is necessary to authorize budget amendment to transfer \$950.00 from FD Building Repair/Maintenance Expense (Account #010-530-45001-000) to A/G Building Repair/Maintenance Expense (Account #010-512-45001-000) to correct charges incurred for the installation of the gas line during a new stove installation in Fire Station #1 kitchen—*All city hall building repairs & maintenance costs should be charged to the main account rather than to the departmental accounts:*

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

16. Action that is necessary to approve request from Dale Liner to authorize removal of garbage carts (2 carts) from recently purchased property located at 900 Douglas Avenue, and to authorize refund in the amount of \$68.00 for payment of garbage fees for April & May billings—*Property previously had two (2) rental units, but Mr. Liner is converting it to storage for his art supplies and equipment; there will no longer be any businesses or residences located in the property:*

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

17. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for PD Chief Kelley Johnson to attend the AACOP/CLEEP Training Course: Traits, Behaviors, & Relationships, and the AACOP/CLEEP Training Course: Courage & Moral Leadership to be held at the JSU, Ft. McClellan Campus in Anniston, June 15 &

16, 2017—Registration fee is included in AACOP membership; Estimated total cost of travel/training is limited to the use of a department vehicle and fuel:

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

18. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for PD Capt. Rondell Muse to attend the AACOP/CLEEP Training Course: Traits, Behaviors, & Relationships, and the AACOP/CLEEP Training Course: Courage & Moral Leadership to be held at the JSU, Ft. McClellan Campus in Anniston, June 15 & 16, 2017—Registration fee is \$198.00; Estimated total cost of travel/training is limited to the \$198.00 registration fee and the use of a department vehicle and fuel:

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

19. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Street Dept. Supt. Reed Calfee to attend the APWA Summer Meeting to be held in Orange Beach, July 17-19, 2017—Registration fee is \$275.00; Additional costs for lodging, fuel, and meals will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Calfee is \$1,018.00:

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

20. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Street Dept. Administrative Secretary Alyssa Womack to attend the APWA Summer Meeting to be held in Orange Beach, July 17-19, 2017—Registration fee is \$275.00; Additional costs for lodging, mileage, and meals will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Womack is \$1,188.00:

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

21. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$101,660.12 for accounts payable invoices received to date for May, 2017:

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

22. 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, 811 Pinewood Lane—Mr. Hall stated that he was representing veterans in the area, and commented on the recent activities related to the Veterans Memorial at Pinecrest Park and thanked everyone involved in moving the project forward. Mr. Hall added that he was initially upset about the trees being cut, but once he understood what is planned, he is satisfied with the outcome and plans for moving forward.
- 2) Joe Hogan, 950 Dogwood Circle—Reminded Council of the resolution passed by the former Council making Sylacauga an “In God We

Trust" city, and the plan to display the national motto in the council chambers. Mr. Hogan was assured that the display is actively being discussed and will move forward once a design has been settled. Mr. Hogan commented briefly about the Hutton/City partnership for the retail development on Hwy 280, and thanked the Council for continuing to move the project forward.

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

(Time of adjournment 6:25 p.m.)

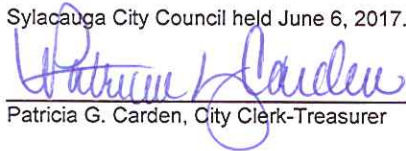
APPROVED BY COUNCIL JUNE 20, 2017:



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 June 6, 2017.


Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer