# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLACAUGA HELD JUNE 20, 2017

- 1. Council President Lee Perryman called meeting to order at 6:15 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 Vernon Ogle of Sylacauga First Assembly.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council President.
- of emergency due to the heavy rains that are expected from the tropical storm. He announced the groundbreaking ceremony for the Hutton retail development on Hwy 280 (Marble City Square Shopping Center), and that the City is looking forward to the project. Mayor Heigl announced that Fleetwood Metals is expanding their operation in Sylacauga to another building and would be adding jobs. He added that a job fair is planned to aid and support that effort. Heigl reported that several garbage-related issues had been addressed with WastePro and that most have already been or will be corrected very soon. He encouraged everyone to recycle and reminded citizens that the smaller solid green carts are for recycling only and cautioned against putting garbage in them.
- 6. Adopt Agenda:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to adopt 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 June 6, 2017:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport 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 reschedule first work session & council meeting in July (originally reset for Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday) to Thursday, July 6, 2017, with work session at 3:30 p.m. and council meeting at 4:30 p.m.:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to reschedule work session & council meeting as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

9. Action that is necessary to approve resolution declaring one (1) Street Dept. vehicle (2002 Ford F150, S/N 1FTRX17WX2KC01561) as surplus property no longer needed for municipal purposes, and authorizing disposal of said items through GovDeals online auction or other appropriate means:

Resolution # 19-2017 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve Resolution 19-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing renewal of promissory note between City of Sylacauga and Utilities Board for partial funding of IDB Spec Building #3—Original 2007 Issued Note in the amount of \$200,000.00 as a no-interest four (4) year loan to City to be combined with \$200,000.00 in matching City funds; Renewal authorized July, 2013, Resolution 23-2013:

Resolution # 20-2017 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilman Blackmon 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 Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution 20-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to approve resolution authorizing renewal of promissory note between City of Sylacauga and the Industrial Development Board for funding of Spec Building #3--Original 2007 Issued Note in the amount of \$400,000.00 as a no-interest four (4) year loan; Renewal authorized July, 2013, Resolution 24-2013:

Resolution #21-2017 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 21-2017 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to authorize Mayor James Heigl to execute G17 disclosure agreement with Piper Jaffray & Co. for services relative to underwriting refinancing of the City's 2010-A General Obligation Warrants and to explore the possibility of additional funding for various other capital improvements of the City of Sylacauga, such as paving of streets and roadways:

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

13. Action that is necessary to approve Application for Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) license and Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) license from Sahin Feroz Lalani, President of Pure Food Mart, Inc., DBA Quality Food Mart located at 1194 Talladega Hwy in Sylacauga—Police report complete; Council can waive waiting period:

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve application as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Davenport; Nays: Blackmon.

14. Action that is necessary to approve request from the Sylacauga Young Professionals group for permission to close the section of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Broadway Avenue and Calhoun Avenue, and to use the City-owned parking lot and the section of alley located between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets directly behind

Fermenters Market at the Rex in order to host an event on Saturday, July 15, 2017, from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m.— Proceeds from sponsorships will benefit The Care House (Event will host a band and will include food items from the nearby restaurants):

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

15. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for HR Specialist Jayne McGee to attend the *Problem Solving Forum* on July 25, and the 2017 AL Association of Public Personnel Administrators Annual Conference to be held in Montgomery, July 26-28, 2017—Forum Registration fee is \$150.00 & Conference Early Registration is \$250.00; Additional costs for lodging, mileage, and meals will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for McGee is \$969.27:

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

16. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$345,773.39 for payrolls for May, 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; Navs; None.

17. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$178,422.11 for balance of accounts payable invoices received for May, 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.

- 18. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council.
  - Jonathan Hall, 811 Pinewood Lane—Mr. Hall spoke on behalf of the local veteran organizations. He thanked FD for assistance during their recent flag retirement/disposal event during which a large number of flags were disposed. Mr. Hall advised that another such event is planned for the next Flag Day (6/14/2018).
  - 2) Donald Caine, 937 Pinecrest Drive—Provided a brief update from the recent fundraiser bike ride benefiting a local cancer victim. Mr. Caine reported the success of over 100 donors, and thanked the PD for escort into and out of town, the Street Dept. for helping with parking, and City Council for their support of the event.
  - 3) Councilwoman Tiffany Nix stated that WastePro is working to get problems resolved, but encouraged citizens to let city officials know if they're still having issues. Ms. Nix also reminded citizens that if needed, extra carts can be ordered to make up for the reduced pickup schedule.
  - 4) Councilman Donnie Blackmon commented that WastePro donates a portion of plastics recycled to benefit women's health services such as mammograms, and encouraged citizens to recycle. Mr. Blackmon also commented on how well Ollie's seems to be doing, and encouraged citizens to thank them for coming to Sylacauga whenever they're shopping there. Councilman Perryman also mentioned that he has noticed a good number of out of town tags in Ollie's parking lot which means that people are coming to shop in Sylacauga.
  - 5) Mayor Heigl commented further on the rain expectations, and the downed limbs and trees that usually follow, and encouraged citizens to be patient during the cleanup process.

- 6) Tara Cody, Goodwater resident whose children attend First Methodist Daycare—Asked Council to consider making changes to the streets around First Methodist (specifically mentioned Spring Street) and adding child crossings to make the area around the daycare safer. Mayor Heigl commented that he is researching putting speed reducers in certain areas of town and that the Street Dept. is putting warning signs on all streets/roads coming into town to remind people not to speed or litter.
- 19. Having no further business to discuss,

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

(Time of adjournment 6:35 p.m.)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL JULY 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 June 20, 2017.

Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer