

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLACAUGA HELD AUGUST 7, 2018

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:54 p.m. by Council President, Lee Perryman.
2. Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ashton Fowler, Tiffany Nix, Donnie Blackmon, Lee Perryman, and Dallas Davenport; Absent: None. 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. Mayor Jim Heigl reported that Dunn Construction will have a subcontractor working on the paving project beginning tomorrow, and invited Michael Rice, City's consulting engineer on the current paving project to provide an update on the progress. Mr. Rice stated that of twenty streets on the paving list, nine have been completed by Dunn, and that Southeastern Sealcoat has been subcontracted by Dunn to pave six of the smaller streets over the next two weeks.

Mayor Heigl offered congratulations to the BOE, its staff, and students for a job well done; Sylacauga School system ranked 23rd in the top 25 school systems in the state. Heigl also congratulated the Sylacauga teachers and staff who have earned advanced degrees and certifications in their various fields.

Mayor Heigl congratulated Fire Chief Adam Gardner for his efforts to maintain Sylacauga's ISO rating. Gardner stated that by catching up on the required training and getting equipment up to date, he was able to maintain the city's previous ISO Public Protection Classification of 04/4X.

Mayor Heigl turned the podium over to Police Chief Kelley Johnson who introduced the two recently hired Police Officers:
 - 1) Josh Jones—A certified officer from Coosa County with ten years' experience.
 - 2) Austin Pitts—Although not yet certified, Pitts has participated in numerous ride-alongs with the department, and will begin the Police Academy in just a few weeks.
6. Adopt Agenda—*Items 8, 16 & 17 were removed during work session prior to the Council meeting.*
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to adopt the 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 July 17, 2018:
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. *Item removed during work session prior to meeting.*
9. Action that is necessary to authorize the City Clerk/Treasurer, as purchasing agent for the City of Sylacauga, to enter into a participation agreement with BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative which will allow the City to take advantage of pricing established for certain covered items through nationally let bids/contracts:

Resolution #58-2018 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport 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 58-2018 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 The Center for Municipal Solutions (CMS) as consultant for City, to approve resolution authorizing a special use permit to AT&T for modification of equipment on the existing tower located at 2155 Settlement Road: *David Andrews, City's consulting representative from CMS, provided details of the planned modifications and recommended Council approval of the permit.*

Resolution #59-2018 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution 59-2018 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to authorize the City Clerk/Treasurer, as purchasing agent for the City of Sylacauga, to upgrade the City's cell phone service to Verizon's new Public Safety Plan and to implement replacement and upgrade schedule according to said plan:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize upgrade of cell service and replacement/upgrade schedule 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 the Municipal Court Clerk to open a clearing bank account for depositing for distribution all monies collected relative to the various judicial administration funds:

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize action 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 the expenditure of up to \$12,271.07 to complete electrical upgrade project in Central Park (aka Blue Bell Park)—*Project cost is estimated to be \$33,246.07, with in-kind contributed contractor services valued at \$10,975.00, AMEA/SUB Grant funds in the amount of \$10,000.00, and City labor used to complete/install remainder of project work expected to be no more than the \$12,271.07 requested.*

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to authorize expenditure for completion of Central Park electrical upgrade project as stated was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

14. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for PD Lt. Willis Whatley to attend the 31st Annual Alabama Statewide Law Enforcement Coordinating Committees (LECC) Conference to be held in Orange Beach, August 29-31, 2018—*Registration fee is \$250.00; Additional expenses for fuel for travel from conference will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for Whatley is \$300.00.*

A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve training/expenses 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 PD Sgt. Kelly White to attend the 2018 Project Lifesaver Conference to be held in Orlando, Florida, August 26-31, 2018—Registration fee of \$350.00 to be paid by ALEA; Additional costs of lodging, meals, and fuel for a city vehicle will be paid from Project Lifesaver donations—Estimated total cost of travel/training for White is \$1,114.01:

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

16. Item removed during work session prior to meeting.

17. Item removed during work session prior to meeting.

18. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for HR Specialist Jayne McGee to attend the Lehr Middlebrooks Vreeland & Thompson, P.C.'s 2018 Employee Relations Summit to be held in Birmingham, November 15, 2018—No registration fee; Additional costs for mileage will be incurred—Estimated total cost of travel/training for McGee is \$51.13:

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

19. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$746,292.65 for accounts payable invoices received to date for July, 2018:

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.

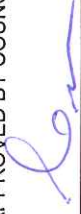
20. Council President asked anyone wishing to address Council to come to the microphone & state name and address for record prior to addressing Council.
No one addressed Council at this meeting.

21. 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 6:08 p.m.)

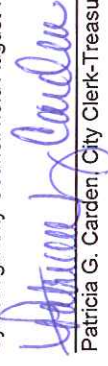
APPROVED BY COUNCIL AUGUST 21, 2018:



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 a regular meeting of the Sylacauga City Council held August 7, 2018.


Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer