

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLACAUGA HELD OCTOBER 16, 2018

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:16 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 Donnie Blackmon, City Council District 3.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Council President.
5. Mayor James Heigl announced that there will be a community health fair at the J Craig (Smith) Community Center from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 19th. Mayor Heigl added that there is a paving project change order on the agenda, and invited Michael Rice to explain it and to give an update on the paving project. Mr. Rice explained that the change order will add six (6) additional streets from the alternate street list to the original paving list of twenty (20) streets. He added that with the addition of the alternate streets, the change order will allow the paving project to come in close to the total budget set for the project. Councilman Fowler referenced citizen concerns expressed during the earlier work session relative to the removal of traffic lights on Norton Avenue. Rice confirmed that he believes the permanent striping might help alleviate many/most of those concerns, and added that he will ask Dunn to move their striping schedule up, especially on Norton and the heavy traffic areas. Rice indicated that the original contract end date was scheduled to be November 10, but the change order will give Dunn thirty (30) additional days to pave the alternate streets and complete the project.
6. Adopt Agenda:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler 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 October 2, 2018:
A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve the 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. Public hearing to consider request from Coosa Valley Medical Center and the abutting property owners for the closing/vacation of certain platted public alleys and rights-of-way in and adjacent to the Coosa Valley Medical Center Complex—
Public hearing set by Resolution 70-2018 on 9/18/2018:

Council President opened the public hearing and called for comments. No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the proposed action. However, Interim Code Director Mike Whetstone reminded everyone that the Code Dept./Engineer would still require building separation as had previously been discussed with hospital representatives; that vacation by Council would not negate that requirement. Hospital representatives present acknowledged that they were aware of that fact, but made no additional comments. There was no further discussion, so Council President closed the public hearing and called for action by Council:

Resolution 79-2018 was introduced by Councilman Blackmon; 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 Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution 79-2018 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

9. Action that is necessary to approve resolution rescinding Resolution 69-2018, dated 9/18/2018, approving an amended agreement, and authorizing Police Chief Kelley Johnson to execute said amended agreement with the Sylacauga Board of Education for the placement of four (4) School Resource Officers in the city schools for the period beginning 10/01/2018 through 9/30/2019, with committed reimbursement totaling \$76,252.40 to offset the salary and benefit costs to the City for said Officers:

Resolution #80-2018 was introduced by Councilwoman Nix; Read by City Clerk.

A motion by Councilwoman Nix, 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 resolution immediate consideration:

A motion by Councilman Blackmon, second by Councilman Davenport to approve Resolution 80-2018 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

10. Action that is necessary to approve resolution accepting grant award and authorizing Mayor James Heigl to execute related agreement with the Alabama Historical Commission for said FY2019 grant funds in the amount of \$9,150.00 to be used to make repairs in the Sylacauga Cemetery (AKA Fort Williams Cemetery)—grant application authorized by Council 7/17/2018, with location amended 8/21/2018:

Resolution #81-2018 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; 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 Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to approve Resolution 81-2018 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

11. Action that is necessary to accept recommendation from Michael Rice of EEFS Company, PC, as City's consulting P.E. for the 2018 Paving Project (Sylacauga Street Paving Project #1944-17), to approve resolution authorizing Change Order #3 in the increase amount of \$190,696.50 to Dunn Construction Company, Inc., for the addition of six (6) alternate streets to the paving list—

1. Merkel Avenue (Old Birmingham Hwy to Pine Street)
2. Monroe Street (Jefferson Avenue to End)
3. West Clay Street (Hillbrook Drive to Hwy 21)
4. Pineview Road (Goodwater Hwy to 306 Pineview Road)
5. Church Avenue (East Milton to East Clay Street)
6. North Cannon (West Fort Williams to Dead End)

Resolution #82-2018 was introduced by Councilman Fowler; 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 82-2018 was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

12. Action that is necessary to approve application for Lounge Retail Liquor, Class I License from Shelly McLeod Bullard, member of Fermenters Market, Inc., located at 8 East 2nd Street in Sylacauga—Police report complete; Council can waive waiting period:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve application as filed was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Davenport; Nays: Blackmon.
13. Action that is necessary to approve request from Police Chief Kelley Johnson for authorization to apply for Byrne JAG grant funds for the purchase of new body cameras and personal first aid equipment for the Police Dept.:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve authorization as requested 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 Police Chief Kelley Johnson to attend the two-day AACOP-CLEEP Certification Training Courses: Improving Cross-Cultural Communication for Law Enforcement and Recruiting, Selection, Retention & Employee Relations to be held in Florence, November 1 & 2, 2018—Registration fee is included in AACOP membership; Additional costs for lodging and meals will be incurred—Johnson will be carpooling with Muse; Estimated total cost of travel/training for Johnson is \$294.78:
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.
15. Action that is necessary to approve travel/expenses for Police Capt. Rondell Muse to attend the two-day AACOP-CLEEP Certification Training Courses: Improving Cross-Cultural Communication for Law Enforcement and Recruiting, Selection, Retention & Employee Relations to be held in Florence, November 1 & 2, 2018—Registration fee is \$99.00 per course; Additional costs for lodging, meals, and use of a city vehicle will be incurred. Estimated total cost of travel/training for Muse is \$517.78:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to approve training/expenses as requested 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 \$393,160.02 for payrolls for September, 2018:
A motion by Councilwoman Nix, second by Councilman Fowler to authorize payment of payrolls as reported was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.
17. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$26,890.67 for additional fiscal year-end accounts payable invoices received for September, 2018:
A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to authorize payment of FY2018 accounts payable invoices as presented was carried by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Fowler, Nix, Perryman, Blackmon, Davenport; Nays: None.

18. Action that is necessary to authorize payments totaling \$166,080.27 for balance of accounts payable invoices received for October, 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.

19. Action necessary to approve request from Interim Code Director Mike Whetstone for authority to contract with TempForce-Smart Staffing Solutions for the services of three (3) temporary workers for up to 120 days each at the billable rate of approximately \$13.00 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 employees will be assigned one (1) to the Code Dept. and two (2) to the Planning Dept. to scan old subdivision records and other such documents—Actual hiring is subject to CSB approval:*


A motion by Councilman Fowler, second by Councilwoman Nix to authorize action as requested 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. However, no speakers addressed the Council during this portion of the 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 6:31 p.m.)

APPROVED BY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 6, 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 October 16, 2018.



Patricia G. Carden, City Clerk-Treasurer