CITY OF PELHAM

Council Regular Work Session

Pelham City Hall – Council Conference Room
February 20, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Proper notice of the regular scheduled Pelham City Council Work Session was given at least 72 hours in advance of such public meeting and the notice remained posted through the scheduled meeting.

Members of the Pelham City Council met on February 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. The regular work session was held in the Council Conference Room in Pelham City Hall and was open to the public. The work session was called to order by Council President Nichols at 6:00 p.m.

The following elected officials were present:

Mayor Don Murphy
Council President Teresa Nichols
Councilmember Bill Meadows
Councilmember Steve Powell
Councilmember Karyl Rice

Media Present: Neal Wagner, Shelby County Reporter.

Others present: City department heads, city employees and members of the public.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Powell to approve the February 6, 2012 regular work session minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Meadows and by voice vote the motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

A motion was made by Mr. Powell to approve the February 13, 2012 special work session minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Meadows and by voice vote the motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mrs. Rice for the purpose of entering into executive session to discuss the "professional competency" of an individual(s). Said motion was seconded by Mr. Meadows. There being no further discussion Council President Nichols asked the city clerk to call the roll on the motion to enter into executive session. The roll call votes were recorded as follows:

Teresa Nichols Council President	Yes
Bill Meadows Council Member	Yes
Steve Powell Council Member	Yes
Karyl Rice Council Member	Yes

Council President Nichols stated only the members of the City Council would attend the executive session. Council President Nichols stated the council would return from the executive session no later than 6:30 p.m. and reconvene the work session. The council returned at 6:23 p.m. and Council President Nichols called the meeting back to order.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Murphy elected to hold his comments until council meeting.

Review of Council Agenda

Dr. Nichols reviewed the council agenda for February 20, 2012.

E. Consent Agenda

(A consent agenda is presented by the Council President at the beginning of a council meeting. Items presented on the consent agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and are organized apart from the rest of the agenda and are adopted by general consent without debate. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda is approved or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Council President and City Council.)

1. Approval of February 20, 2012 City Council Agenda.

2. Approval of the February 6, 2012 regular City Council meeting minutes.

3. Approval of the following non-budgeted expenses from restricted fund accounts. None

F. Public Hearing - None

G. Mayor's Comments

H. Proclamations

None

I. Requests to Address the Council

Tim Mitchell, candidate for Judge of Probate, Shelby County, Alabama.

J. New Business

1. Resolution 2012-02-20-01 appointing _____ to the vacancy on the Pelham City Council, Place 2. Council President Nichols stated, "It appears the council members are not able to come to a consensus on the professional competency of a candidate, so we will be turning the process of determining that over to the governor". She asked each council member and the mayor to submit a name to Governor Bentley's office. Removed from the council agenda.

2. Administering the Oath of Office to the appointed councilmember, Place 2. Removed from the council agenda.

3. Ordinance 267-03 establishing the compensation for the mayor and city council effective Monday, November 5, 2012. (1st Reading) Dr. Nichols stated the council must suspend the rules to vote tonight or it will be necessary to call a special council meeting. Mr. Meadows inquired about health insurance for the council. Mr. Powell expressed concerns about health insurance for part time council members. He also expressed concern about extra pay for special called council meetings. He noted members of city boards do not receive pay for their volunteer work. Mr. Meadows echoed the thoughts of Mr. Powell. Dr. Nichols stated the following Sections 5 and 9 were stricken from the proposed ordinance.

   Section 5. In addition to the salary provided for herein, each member of the city council shall also be entitled to any benefits normally accruing to all full-time employees of the city as authorized by law.

   Section 9. Compensation for the council president and council members for attending special called city council meetings shall be set at $ 420.00 for the council president and $ 367.50 for each council member per special city council meeting, not to exceed four (4) special called city council meetings per calendar year.

   Section 8 was amended to include the city council and Section 10 was amended by striking "full time" and adding "official use" at the recommendation of Mrs. Rice.

K. Old Business

1. Resolution 2012-02-06-04 approving the commitment of a 20% match for sidewalks along Industrial Park Drive and Shelby County Highway 105 (Bearden Road) from U.S. Highway 31 to Pelham High School and amending the FY2012 General Fund Budget as required. (1st Reading February 6, 2012) There were no council comments.

2. Ordinance 447 to declare Lots 67 and 68 according to the Final Plat of Oaklyn Hills, Phase 3, as recorded in Map Book 34, Page 52, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama and to hereby establish that the aforementioned real property of the City of Pelham, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes and to approve the sale of said property to the Oaklyn Hills Homeowners' Association, Inc. in the amount of $ 10,000.00. (1st Reading February 6, 2012) There were no council comments.

Old Business – AS TIME PERMITS

1. Appointment to fill the Council Place 2 vacancy.

2. Review of Ordinance 267-2 (Mayor Council Compensation)

3. Ice Rink Management

   Mr. Meadows asked about the status of Civic Complex financials. City Clerk Tom Seale said the additional general ledger accounts were completed today. Mr. Seale stated he will work with the Human Resources Department to determine if current software will allow salary and benefits to be distributed among the various departments. Mr. Meadows suggested issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the management of the Civic Complex. Mr. Powell stated he needed to know where the money is flowing to "identify the source of the problems." Dr. Nichols asked the finance director to provide periodic reports to council regarding the financial status of the Civic Complex.

4. Review of International Fire Code, International Residential Code and City of Pelham Sub-Division Regulations

5. Mr. Powell recommended removing the review of International Fire Code, International Residential Code and City of Pelham Sub-Division Regulations from future agendas. He stated this item regarding the Randy Goggans' issues had remained on the agenda per the request of Council President Nichols.

New Business – AS TIME PERMITS

Announcements

Council President Nichols announced the April 16, 2012 council meeting would be moved to April 23, 2012 to accommodate Youth Government Day.

Adjournment

Mrs. Rice moved to adjourn the work session and said motion was seconded by Mr. Powell. The motion passed unanimously by those present and the work session was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of February 2012.

Tom Seale, CMC, City Clerk

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