

CITY OF PELHAM – WORK SESSION

**Pelham City Hall – Council Conference Room
February 3, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

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

Members of the Pelham City Council met February 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The regular work session was held in the Council Conference Room in Pelham City Hall and was open to the public.

Call to Order

The work session was called to order by Council President Rick Hayes at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The city clerk called the roll and the following elected officials were present:

Council President Rick Hayes
Councilmember Ron Scott
Councilmember Beth McMillan
Councilmember Maurice Mercer
Councilmember Karyl Rice
Mayor Gary W. Waters

Media Present: Neal Wagner, Shelby County Reporter, Martin Reed, The Birmingham News, Rachel Crisson, Pelham City News and a reporter from Fox 6 News.

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

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Rice to approve the January 21, 2014 regular council work session minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mercer and passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

Mayor Waters' Comments

1. The SEC hockey tournament will be held at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena this weekend, February 7-9, 2014. Last weekend the Alabama Frozen Tide swept Central Florida, the number one team in the league.
2. On Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. there will be an AAR, After Action Review, to discuss procedures followed by the city during the snow storm event last week. Mayor Waters reported the EOC, Emergency Operations Center, was opened by noon on Tuesday and said he was proud of everyone for how they responded to the crisis. Phase Two will be to improve our plan of action and to encourage residents to take control of their actions and be better prepared.

Review of Council Agenda

Council President Hayes reviewed the council agenda for February 3, 2014:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Roll Call
- 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 the February 3, 2014 City Council Agenda
2. Approval of the January 21, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of non-budgeted expenses from restricted fund accounts: None

- F. Public Hearing - None
- G. Mayor Waters' Comments
- H. Proclamations - None
- I. Requests to Address the Council - None

J. Old Business - None

K. New Business

1. **Resolution 2014-02-03-01** for consideration to approve donations to the Pelham public schools for FY 2014

Councilman Mercer questioned the wording in the resolution for an item requested by Valley Elementary School. The resolution was revised to read "Four iPad 2, 10-pack Tablet Computers.

2. **Resolution 2014-02-03-02** for consideration to approve an ABC license application (transfer) for 050 Retail Beer (Off Premises Only) and 070 Retail Table Wine (Off Premises Only) for KP Foods, LLC, trade name Pelham Shell, located at 75 CR 35, Pelham, AL 35124

Councilman Scott said he had spoken with the owners and the applicant. He thanked the applicant for attending the work session and emphasized he was a Pelham resident.

3. **Resolution 2014-02-03-03** for consideration to appoint Katie Walter to the Pelham Beautification Board

There was no further discussion.

4. **Resolution 2014-02-03-04** for consideration to reject all bids for construction to expand the practice rink at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena and to rebid with updated specifications.

Mayor Waters spoke on the decision to reject the two bids received saying there was a big difference in the bid amounts. He recommended the bid specifications be revised to make the scope of the project clearer and then to rebid.

L. Council and Public Comments

M. Public Announcements

1. Mayor Gary Waters will conduct an assessment and review of the response by the City of Pelham during the January 28-30, 2014 winter storm on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the court room at the Pelham Police & Court Building. Information will be made available regarding the number and type of emergency and assistance calls handled by the Pelham Police, Fire and Public Works Departments. A question and answer period will follow Mayor Waters' comments.

N. Adjournment

(End of February 3, 2014 Agenda Review)

Old Business

1. Discuss city boards and related applications

President Hayes recapped the number of openings and applications for appointments to various city boards.

2. Paving bid update

City Engineer Jesse Jowers reported he had been in contact with County Engineer Randy Cole and Scott Holladay with the Shelby County Highway Department and plans to meet with them later in the week to go over the overlay plan for a joint paving bid. Jowers said he had also identified about ten streets to pave should funds be available after the original paving project is completed. President Hayes requested that Mr. Jowers send him the list of streets.

Councilman Scott asked Mr. Jowers for a progress report on the project to add a right turn lane off CR 52 E onto I-65 N. He also asked if the City of Pelham would be the point entity for this project. Mr. Jowers said he would check on these questions and report back to the council at the next meeting.

New Business

1. Requests by candidates to be on the council agenda

Councilmember Rice raised the question of procedure for political candidates requesting to be on the council agenda to introduce themselves and announce their candidacy. She stated that in the past, it had been the practice of the council to grant these requests for candidates running for national, state and county offices, and not just local offices.

Councilman Scott stated he was opposed to allowing candidates to address the council unless they lived in Pelham or represented Pelham in the office for which they were running. He requested that the council president determine if a candidate will be on the agenda, and the council members agreed to his request.

Announcements

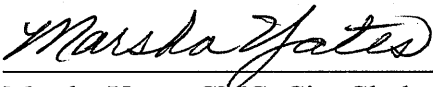
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2. The City of Pelham will host a reception for the members of the Pelham Board of Education and newly appointed Interim Superintendent Dr. Tim Alford, Chief School Financial Officer Lauren Butts and Education Consultant Dr. Suzanne Freeman on Monday, February 10, 2014 from 2:30 until 3:30 p.m. in the Board of Education's offices located on the lower level of Pelham City Hall.
3. The City of Pelham will host a town hall on Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena.

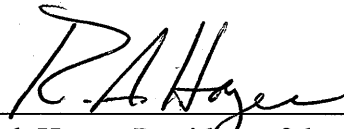
Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Mercer and seconded by Councilmember Rice. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present, and the work session was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of February 2014.



Marsha Yates, CMC, City Clerk



Rick Hayes, President of the Council

