

CITY OF PELHAM – WORK SESSION

Pelham City Hall – Conference Room

August 4, 2014 – 6:00 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 August 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The regular work session was held in the 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 Hayes at 6:00 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: Molly Davidson, Shelby County Reporter; Martin Reed, The Birmingham News; Rachel Crisson, Pelham City 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 July 21, 2014 regular council work session minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McMillan and passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

Mayor Waters' Comments

Mayor Waters told the council he had placed a letter from ARESA pertaining to a one-time bonus for retirees in their packets. Councilmember Scott asked how much the bonus would cost and Tom Seale replied about \$40,000.

Mayor Waters called upon Tom Seale to distribute the proposed FY2105 budget binders to the council members and stated he was excited about budget procedure changes - giving department heads more input and the opportunity to forecast capital expenditures for the next five years.

Mayor Waters gave an update on the development in Chandalar saying the property owner had provided two of four requirements to the city - proof of ownership and permission from Alabama Power Company to use their easement, but he stated no city permits have been issued.

Review of Council Agenda

Council President Hayes reviewed the council agenda for August 4, 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 August 4, 2014 City Council Agenda
- 2. Approval of the July 21, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
- 3. Approval of non-budgeted expenses from restricted fund accounts:

The police department is requesting \$4,338.00 from the 911 Account for the following:

\$ 850	Dispatch Console Chair
\$ 2,450	Dispatch Wall Monitors (2)
\$ 1,038	Training (2 employees to attend a conference)

- F. Public Hearing - None
- G. Mayor Waters' Comments
- H. Proclamations

Pelham Fire Fighter Appreciation Month on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association

- I. Requests to Address the Council - None
- J. Old Business - None
- K. New Business

- 1. **Ordinance No. 456** for consideration to provide for the issuance, by the City of Pelham, of its \$32,215,000 General Obligation Warrants, Series 2014.

Mr. Paul Pappanastos and Mr. Rory Hartley with Protective Securities, underwriters for this bond issue, congratulated Pelham for receiving a AAA bond rating which helped the city secure the very attractive rates for this bond issue. Mr. Hartley stated that the city issuing bonds on behalf of the board of education saved the board close to \$1M.

Mr. Rod Kanter with Bradley Arant, bond counsel for the city, spoke in favor of Ordinance #456 which will help provide funds for school improvements.

Council President Hayes thanked everyone involved in getting all the required documents prepared for the bond rating, and Pelham Board of Education President Rick Rhoades thanked the city for helping the schools secure funding for construction at the best rate.

2. **Resolution 2014-08-04-01** for consideration to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pelham and the Pelham Board of Education to secure financing for school construction.

President Hayes noted the Pelham Board of Education had already signed the MOU.

3. **Resolution 2014-08-04-02** for consideration to approve a Special Use Permit to AT&T for co-location on the existing tower facility located at 7700 Helena Road.

CMS representative Mignon Bowers introduced Mr. Floyd Gaines who represented AT&T. Mrs. Bowers pointed out three specifications of our wireless tower ordinance that had not been completely met, saying she is working with AT&T to get resolved. She recommended the council approved the resolution.

4. **Resolution 2014-08-04-03** for consideration to amend Resolution 2014-06-16-06 regarding a One-Year Moratorium on Certain New Business Licenses

President Hayes stated that this resolution would change the effective date of the moratorium to September 1, 2014 in an effort to be fair to those who had invested significant resources related to potentially impacted businesses before the moratorium was passed.

L. Council and Public Comments

M. Public Announcements

1. The September 1, 2014 regularly scheduled council meeting has been rescheduled to September 8, 2014 due to the Labor Day holiday.

N. Adjournment

(End of August 4, 2014 Agenda Review)

Old Business

1. Update on dangerous buildings

Building Official Bob Miller reported he had followed all the procedures required by the Pelham Code of Ordinances to condemn two dangerous buildings and recommended the city council move forward with the next steps as outlined in the city code.

Councilmember Scott made a motion to hold a public hearing at the next city council meeting, August 18, 2014, to consider condemnation of buildings located at 1453 Kelly Drive and 7898 Helena Road. Councilmember Mercer seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously by all members of the council present. The city clerk was instructed to send certified letters to all persons interested in the properties to notify them of the public hearing.

2. Senior Center expansion/renovations bid discussion

Library Director Barbara Roberts presented plans from Architect Rick Lathan for expansion of the Pelham Senior Center and asked the council for approval to proceed with the bid process. After discussion, it was determined that the plans be reviewed by the fire marshal and building inspector, and that a resolution be prepared to authorize the mayor to enter into an agreement with Lathan Associates for bidding and administering the construction process.

New Business – None on the agenda

1. Councilmember Rice requested the council consider the proposed one-time bonus for current city retirees and that this be included in the city budget.
2. Councilmember Scott requested a copy of Ordinance 328 regarding storm water regulation be placed in the council folders for the next meeting. The city clerk was asked to research the ordinance and report back to the council regarding the origination of the ordinance and if any board appointments had ever been made to the Storm Water Regulations Board.

Announcements

1. The September 1, 2014 regularly scheduled council meeting has been rescheduled to September 8, 2014 due to the Labor Day holiday.

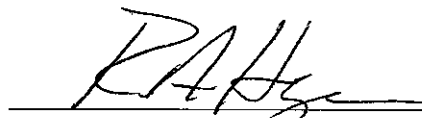
Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember McMillan and seconded by Councilmember Mercer. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present, and the work session was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 4th day of August, 2014.



Marsha Yates, CMC, City Clerk



Rick Hayes, President of the Council

