

CITY OF PELHAM – WORK SESSION

**Pelham City Hall – Conference Room
October 5, 2015 – 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 October 5, 2015 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.

Record of Attendance

The following elected officials were present:

Council President Rick Hayes
Councilmember Ron Scott
Councilmember Beth McMillan
Councilmember Maurice Mercer
Councilmember Karyl Rice (joined the session at 6:12 p.m.)
Mayor Gary W. Waters

Media Present: Jessa Pease, Shelby County Reporter

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

Call to Order

The work session was called to order by Council President Hayes at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Scott to approve the September 21, 2015 regular council work session minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McMillan and passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

Mayor Waters' Comments

Mayor Waters asked for updates on three projects after receiving a written inquiry about them from resident Vince Cottone.

- 1) Has the turn lane for I-65 N helped?
- 2) When will the sidewalk on Bearden Road be completed?
- 3) What is the status on the AL 261 flood project?

Councilmember Scott thinks the turn lane is too short; President Hayes thinks it should be reviewed further by the engineers to confirm the length is according to the plans, and he thinks the traffic flow should improve once the stripping is completed; Councilmember McMillan reported the change did improve her drive time and traffic signal wait time.

Regarding the sidewalk on Bearden Road, Mr. Eddy Jowers reported he hoped to have the project bid by December.

Mayor Waters stated the city was waiting on “higher ups” to give the go ahead on the flood project, and President Hayes reported that Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood said the work had been approved and they expected the bid to be let soon.

Review of Council Agenda

Council President Hayes reviewed the October 5, 2015 council agenda.

J. Old Business

1. **Ordinance 468** for consideration to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way use to Southern Light, LLC, a fiber optic service provider (First Reading was on September 21, 2015.)

Mr. William Hanes was in attendance representing Southern Light, LLC. There were no questions or comments from the city council.

K. New Business

1. **Resolution 2015-10-05-01** for consideration to approve a minimal rate adjustment for residential garbage and recycling rates in accordance with the terms of the contract between the City of Pelham and Trash Taxi

President Hayes stated this would be only a slight increase – 0.2 %. There were no other comments.

2. **Ordinance 288-10** (First Reading) for consideration to modify the fee for issuing business licenses

Tom Seale briefly explained the \$2.00 increase would offset the increased cost of issuing business licenses due to postage increases, additional employees and the cost of envelopes and printing. The issuing fee has not been increased since 2008.

(End of October 5, 2015 Agenda Review)

Old Business - None

New Business

1. Review of Employee Salary Adjustment Options

President Hayes handed out salary spreadsheets to the mayor and council and discussed various classifications and salary ranges that were shown on the spreadsheets. There is money in the budget for salary adjustments; however the next step should be a meeting of the personnel board before any decisions are made. He recommended the personnel board call a meeting as soon as possible and Mayor Waters concurred.

Announcements

1. The Pelham Public Library will host a shredding event for Pelham residents on Saturday, October 10th from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. in the library parking lot.
2. The Pelham Business Council will hold its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, October 20th at 11 a.m. at the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena.

Executive Session

President Hayes stated the council wished to move into executive session to discuss the possible sale of surplus real property, estimating they would reconvene to adjourn the work session at approximately 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Rice moved to enter executive session and Councilmember McMillan seconded the motion. The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

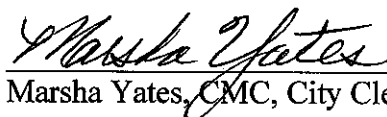
Councilmember Rice	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Mercer	<u>yes</u>
Council President Hayes	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember McMillan	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Scott	<u>yes</u>

Mayor Waters and Tom Seale were invited to join the council. The executive session was from 6:45 p.m. until 7:02 p.m. at which time the work session was reconvened.

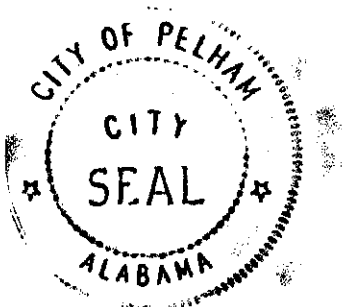
Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the work session was made by Councilmember Rice and seconded by Councilmember McMillan. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present, and the work session was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of October, 2015,


Marsha Yates, CMC, City Clerk


Rick Hayes, President of the Council



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