

CITY OF PELHAM – WORK SESSION

**Pelham City Hall – Conference Room
December 21, 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 December 21, 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 (arrived at 6:16 p.m.)
Councilmember Karyl Rice
Mayor Gary 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 6:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Scott to approve the December 7, 2015 regular council work session minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rice and passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

Mayor Waters' Comments

The mayor reserved his comments for the council meeting.

Review of Council Agenda

Council President Hayes reviewed the December 21, 2015 council agenda.

J. New Business

1. **Resolution 2015-12-21-01** for consideration to declare the city's intent for reimbursement of costs associated with various capital improvements

Finance Director Tom Seale commented on the resolution. Refunds from the 2006 Warrants will allow the city to borrow an additional 12 million dollars, some of which will be used to fund some capital improvement projects such as a new fire truck. The city's intent is to borrow no more than 10 million dollars.

2. **Resolution 2015-12-21-02** for consideration to authorize a payment related to the sick time calculations for retired firefighters

Councilman Scott asked how this additional payment came about and President Hayes replied it was related to the Camp lawsuit. There were no further questions or discussion.

3. **Resolution 2015-12-21-03** for consideration to authorize extraordinary compensation for certain City of Pelham employees

President Hayes commented that the pay plan revisions were taking longer to complete than anticipated, and this would show the employees they are appreciated.

Tom Seale asked if the \$400 was gross or net and Hayes replied it was gross.

4. **Ordinance #473** (First Reading) for consideration to approve the annexation of four lots in Hayesbury Commercial Park, Lot 3, Phase 1, and Lots 1, 2, and 12, Phase 2

Mr. William McDavid with Southpace Properties attended and was available for questions. The zoning for the property will be Commercial B-2.

(End of December 21, 2015 Agenda Review)

Old Business - None

New Business

1. Motorola P-25 MHz Radio System alternative to be presented by Pelham Police Chief Larry Palmer, Greg Silas of Birmingham 911 and a representative from Allcomm Wireless

Chief Palmer recommended the current radio system be replaced with the P-25 system which is the national standard for 911 emergency communications. He said it was not practical to continue putting money into an older technology based system which would not be supported indefinitely.

Mr. Greg Silas with Birmingham 911 and Mr. Greg Patterson with Allcomm Wireless, Inc. briefed the council on the P-25 system, sharing the proposed structure of the five cores that would make up the system along with some of the system's capabilities. Their goal is to have a state-wide emergency communication system that can also be mobile with battery backup.

2. Discuss rescheduling the January 18, 2016 city council meeting due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

The council tentatively rescheduled the meeting for Thursday, January 21st to be confirmed at the next council meeting.

Announcements

1. The City of Pelham offices will be closed December 24th and 25th for the Christmas holidays and January 1st for New Year's Day.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the work session was made by Councilmember Scott and seconded by Councilmember McMillan. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present, and the work session was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of December, 2015,



Marsha Yates, MMC, City Clerk



Rick Hayes, President of the Council

