



City of Clay
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 16, 2012

The City Council of the City of Clay, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, April 16, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clay Community Center. Mayor Ed McGuffie presided and City Clerk Bobby Christmas served as recorder.

Mayor McGuffie called the meeting to order and City Clerk Bobby Christmas opened in prayer and led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilman L. B. Feemster
Councilwoman Becky Johnson
Mayor Ed McGuffie

Councilwoman Jackie Hambrick
Councilman Charles Webster

Absent: Councilman Kevin Small

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to approve the Pre-Council meeting and Regular Council meeting minutes of April 2, 2012. Councilwoman Hambrick made a motion to approve the Pre-Council meeting minutes and Regular Council meeting minutes of April 2, 2012, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve the meeting agenda which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Feemster made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Under **Scheduled Public Comments**, Mayor McGuffie introduced Mr. Andy Driggers who identified himself as living at 5517 Garden Valley Lane and being the Chairman of the Board of Zoning Adjustments. Mr. Driggers asked the Council to appoint Ms. Jo Ann Tombrello to the Board of Zoning Adjustments. He also asked that the Council set procedures for selecting new Board of Zoning Adjustments members, and that the president be a part of the face to face interviews. Mr. Driggers requested that Charlie Beavers sit on the Board of Zoning Adjustments for the meetings only. He also requested that the city consider creating a line item budget for Board of Zoning Adjustments expenses, including legal expenses. Mayor McGuffie replied that he will research Charlie Beavers and creating a budget for the Board. Mayor McGuffie also stated that he had no problem with Ms. Tombrello and that he will have a face to face meeting.

Under **Reports from Standing Committees** Councilman Feemster was recognized for a report from the **Public Safety Committee**. Councilman Feemster called on Deputy Terry Scott who announced that the Kangaroo gas station on Old Springville Road had been robbed, and that a suspect was in custody.

Councilman Feemster announced that Old Springville Road will be closed between the Georgebrook and Paradise Valley subdivisions on Saturday, April 21, from approximately 7am - 3pm for tornado debris cleanup. Councilman Feemster asked that this announcement be spread to all residents of Clay.



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Councilwoman Hambrick was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Community Development, Environmental, Historical, Library and Seniors**. Councilwoman Hambrick called on Mr. Guy Scott for a report from the Senior Citizens Center. He stated the new Senior Citizens bus was supposed to be ready today. Ms. Hambrick announced the Library's Book Club Meeting would be at 6:30 p.m. on April 17 at the Library. Also, she announced that AT&T Pioneer donated 150 trees to the city. She reminded everyone that April 21 is Earth Day, and said anti-littering information will be given to the schools. Councilwoman Hambrick repeated Clay Historical Society's plan for a dedication of the Wear Cemetery Fence in June 2012.

Under **Committee on Annexation, Business, Census, Planning & Zoning and Schools**, Councilwoman Johnson introduced Abby Binion of the Clay Chalkville High School Key Club. Miss Binion announced that the Key club will host a fundraising yard sale at Grace Presbyterian Church on April 21. Proceeds will help supply weather radios for low income families. Councilwoman Johnson announced the following: Clay Chalkville High School Boys tennis team placed second in the Jefferson County Championship, Golf Tournament Fundraiser will be held at the Grayson Valley Country Club, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held May 3 at the Clay Community Center, Fred's will hold their job fair at the Community Center through Thursday, April 19, Clay May Days will be held May 19. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion for the city to sponsor \$5,000.00 for Clay May Days with the understanding that the organizers of Clay May Days will furnish a spending report 30 days after the event. The motion was seconded by Councilman Webster and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Under **Committee on Building Inspections, Sanitation, Streets and Utilities** Councilman Kevin Small was not present for a report.

Councilman Webster was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Parks and Recreation**. He discussed plans for the fishing rodeo. He announced that volunteers will be needed for the rodeo. Councilman Webster made a motion to post the job for the Park Superintendent, which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick and approved by a unanimous voice vote. Councilman Feemster suggested researching a salary range. Mayor McGuffie announced that the Park Board will narrow the pool to three candidates for the Mayor to examine. Councilman Feemster suggested that the salary should be approved by the Council.

Under **Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.** there was nothing to report.

Under the **City Clerk's Report**, City Clerk Bobby Christmas reported the account balances in the 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$110,410.47; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$127,493.38; Capital Improvement Fund = \$207,314.28; Concession Stand = \$4,970.93; Contractors Bond = \$43,375.76; General Fund = \$595,214.48; Library Fund = \$6,082.12; and Senior Citizens Fund = \$3,395.34.

Under **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business** Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to enter into unanimous consent. Councilman Feemster made a motion to suspend the regular rules of order and enter into unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilman Webster.

That motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Council members Feemster, Hambrick, Johnson, Webster, and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None



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Mayor McGuffie introduced Resolution 2012-07, A Resolution Adopting the 2009 Jefferson county Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was read by City Clerk Bobby Christmas.

Councilman Feemster made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-07 which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick.

The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Council members Feemster, Hambrick, Johnson, Webster and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

Mayor McGuffie called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments**.

Mrs. Pat Feemster was recognized and asked for clarification as to whether the Board of Zoning Adjustments nominees will be interviewed prior to approval from the Council. Mayor McGuffie answered affirmatively. Mrs. Feemster then asked whether or not anyone had been appointed that evening, and Mayor McGuffie confirmed that no one had been appointed at this meeting.

Mr. George Allcorn was recognized and asked about the tornado debris cleanup. Mayor McGuffie gave a report prepared by City Clerk Bobby Christmas.

Mayor McGuffie called for any more Public Comments and there was no response.

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Mayor McGuffie announced that the next regular City Council meeting would be Monday, May 7, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Feemster made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

The City Council adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Christmas
City Clerk