



City of Clay
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 3, 2011

The City Council of the City of Clay, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, October 3, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clay Community Center. Mayor McGuffie presided and City Clerk Bobby Christmas served as recorder.

Mayor McGuffie called the meeting to order and Councilman Kevin Small opened in prayer.

Councilman Small 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
Councilman Charles Webster

Councilwoman Jackie Hambrick
Councilman Kevin Small
Mayor Ed McGuffie

Absent: None

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to approve the Pre-Council meeting and Regular Council meeting minutes of September 19, 2011. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre-Council meeting minutes and Regular Council meeting minutes of September 19, 2011, which was seconded by Councilman Small and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. Councilman Feemster 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 Small made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Under **Scheduled Public Comments**, Mayor McGuffie introduced case ALC 2011-03 Application for Alcohol Beverage License for on premises consumption at 6726 Old Springville Road. The City Clerk read the notice of public hearing sent out for this case. Mayor McGuffie called on anyone to speak in favor of this case and Mr. Alan Dennis Sherrod stated he was the owner and would speak for it. Mayor McGuffie called on anyone to speak in opposition to this case and there was no response. Mayor McGuffie called for any questions from the Council and Councilman Feemster asks Mr. Sherrod what alcoholic beverages he would be serving. Mr. Sherrod responded that he this would be a family style restaurant and he would be serving beer only. Based on other questions from the Council, Mr. Sherrod responded that his food sales would be greater than his alcohol sales; he would be selling specialty type sandwiches and he anticipated opening October 18 but was not definite. Mayor McGuffie called for any other questions or comments and Councilman Small made a motion to approve case ALC 2011-03 which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.



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Under **Reports from Standing Committees** Councilman Feemster was recognized for a report from the **Public Safety Committee**. Councilman Feemster recognized Deputy Sheriff Terry Scott who reported that car burglaries had dropped dramatically over the last month but one unlocked vehicle was burglarized and a gun stolen out of it. He encouraged everyone to lock their vehicles.

Councilwoman Hambrick was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Community Development, Environmental, Historical, Library and Seniors**. Councilwoman Hambrick reported on the following: (1) She thanked everyone who participated in the Library Adult Reading Club with Mr. Clyde Bolton on September 20. She encouraged everyone to get involved in the reading program. (2) She announced a craft get together by the Library and encouraged everyone to check it out on the Library website. (3) She announced that the city would be hosting a Veterans luncheon on Saturday November 5 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and invited all veterans to attend. She encouraged everyone to get the word out and have veterans call City Hall to make a reservation for themselves and one guest. (4) She announced that the Christmas tree lighting would be December 3 at 6 or 6:30 p.m. (5) She announced that the Christmas Parade would be December 10 at a time to be determined later. (6) She called on the Seniors for a report and it was reported that they had a day trip planned for October 24 to Chattanooga, Tennessee. (7) She reported that the City Council voted in the September 19, 2011, Council meeting to support ClasTran for the next three months at \$1,600 per month for transportation for Senior Citizens in Clay. She stated that Jefferson County had come through with some money to support ClasTran so Councilwoman Hambrick made a motion to rescind the vote of September 19, 2011. Councilman Small seconded the motion which was approved by a unanimous voice vote. Councilwoman Hambrick made a motion to pay \$5,091 for the next year to be paid at \$424.25 per month to ClasTran for transportation of the senior citizens. Councilman Small seconded the motion which was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Under **Committee on Annexation, Business, Census, Planning & Zoning and Schools**, Councilwoman Johnson reported on the following: (1) Clay Elementary School has a cookie dough sell going on at this time. (2) She announced that the fall book fair and red ribbon week would be October 24 through the 28. She stated this is the time they promote a drug free life style. (3) She announced the elementary school was offering a free pedicure for joining the PTA. (4) Clay Chalkville Middle School is having a Susan G. Koman Race for the Cure campaign on October 15 and has a spare change campaign she encouraged everyone to participate in. (5) Saturday October 8 there will be a pancake breakfast at Applebee's for the middle school and high school band boosters. (6) The high school had a good game Friday night and is undefeated so she encouraged everyone to support them. (7) One business opening in Clay being Conrad's Sandwich Shop.

Councilman Small was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Building Inspections, Sanitation, Streets and Utilities** and stated that he and Mr. Lynn Burch, Building Inspections Superintendent, had evaluated the roads in the City and were putting together a list for the county



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of roads that need repairs. He stated they would be submitting this report to the Mayor to pass on to the County. Also, he stated there was a Resolution later in the meeting to surplus some equipment that is no longer needed.

Councilman Webster was recognized for a report from the **Parks and Recreation Committee**. Councilman Webster stated that he had nothing to report tonight.

Under **Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.** Mayor McGuffie announced 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 = \$68,155.01; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$84,894.32 AmFund Account = \$141,395.52; Capital Improvement Fund = \$482,274.99; Concession Stand = \$4,162.74; Contractors Bond = \$43,375.76; General Fund = \$329,859.11; Library Fund = \$315.53; and Senior Citizens Fund = \$3,058.08.

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 Councilwoman Hambrick.

That 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, Small, Webster and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

Mayor McGuffie introduced Proclamation 2011 – 04, A Proclamation to Honor SSG Michael Wesley Hosey, which was read by City Clerk Bobby Christmas.

Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve Proclamation 2011 - 04 which was seconded by Councilman Small.

That 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, Small, Webster and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

Mayor McGuffie introduced Resolution 2011 – 26, A Resolution Declaring City Property as Surplus, which was read by City Clerk Bobby Christmas.

Councilman Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2011 - 26 which was seconded by Councilman Feemster.



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That 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, Small, Webster and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

Mayor McGuffie called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments**. Mr. Joe Gilliland was recognized and asks about the status of the complaint he had made before the City Council in the September 8, 2011, City Council meeting. Mayor McGuffie stated he would discuss this complaint with him when they can set up a time to meet. Mr. Gilliland requested a hearing before the City of Clay Personnel Board which the Mayor stated he would see what options he had for a hearing.

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

Mayor McGuffie announced that the next regular City Council meeting would be Monday October 17, 2011.

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

The City Council adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobby Christmas
City Clerk