



City of Clay

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

December 7, 2015

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, December 7, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at Clay City Hall. Mayor Webster presided over the meeting and City Manager Ronnie Dixon, served as recorder.

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order. Councilor Bo Johnson led in prayer and Mayor Webster led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Webster introduced “Out of the Blue,” the Clay Chalkville High School acapella singing group. “Out of the Blue” performed Christmas songs for the Council and attendees of the meeting.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilor Becky Johnson, Councilor Bo Johnson, Councilor Small, Councilor Thackerson, and Mayor Webster

Absent: Councilor Baker

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of November 16, 2015.

Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of November 16, 2015, which was seconded by Councilor Becky Johnson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight’s Meeting Agenda.

Councilor Small made a motion to approve tonight’s Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight’s Consent Agenda.

Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve tonight’s Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Small. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None



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Under **Mayor and Council Comments**, **Mayor Webster** commended the Clay Chalkville High School football team for a wonderful season. He congratulated them on being second in the state and said that the atmosphere at the high school is the best of any school.

Councilor Baker was not present for a report.

Councilor Becky Johnson thanked the high school football team and coaches for their hard work this season and thanked Ms. Dorry Hardee for bringing “Out of the Blue” to perform for the Council.

Councilor Bo Johnson reported that Auto Zone will begin demolition and construction in February 2016, Cahaba Oaks Bar and Grill plans to open in early 2016. Councilor Johnson introduced Mr. Andre Taylor from the Dannon Project. Mr. Taylor explained that the Dannon Project has received grant money from the Department of Labor. They are using the funds to start a program aimed at 16-24 year olds who have not obtained their high school diploma. The goal of this program is to facilitate training, certification, and employment in the construction industry. The program allows for classroom and hands on training. There are 65 openings for the first round.

Councilor Small reviewed the Library report: circulation is at 3590, Tuesdays and Thursdays see the most traffic, the Library is open on Saturdays, and there are multiple reading and craft opportunities. He asked Mr. Dixon to add the library website to the Burton Advertising work load. Councilor Small asked if the Clay Chalkville High School baseball facilities upgrades will be complete before the season begins. Mr. Dixon answered that some construction may occur while the team is practicing but it should not interfere with the games.

Councilor Thackerson informed the Council that the Park Committee will meet in January. He reiterated his request to plan more walking trails at Cosby Lake and asked which project would be next for the parks. Mr. Dixon answered that the City plans to recreate a baseball field at Bryant Park next. Councilor Thackerson then asked about the status of the property located at 6719 Trussville Clay Road. Mr. Dixon stated that the property owner has not complied with the restrictions, the property has reverted, and the owner has received a \$500.00 fine for his violation.

Under **Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.**, Mayor Webster announced that there were none.

Under the **City Manager’s Report**, Mr. Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$652,102.27; Contractors Bond = \$190,772.80; Capital Improvement Fund =



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\$289,396.84; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$151,766.88; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$83,827.09; Road Project Fund = \$250,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$300,000.00; BBT Fund= \$62,963.84; Ballpark Revenue = \$17,179.00; and Ballpark Expense = (\$11,554.59).

Under the **Public Hearing**, Mayor Webster announced there were none.

Under **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business** Mayor Webster called for a motion to enter into Unanimous Consent.

Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to suspend the regular rules of order and enter into Unanimous Consent, which was seconded by Councilor Small. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2015-64, A Resolution Amending Resolution 2015-63, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-64, which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2015-65, A Resolution Designating Meeting Times for the City Council, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-65, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2015-66, A Resolution Designating Meeting Times for the Planning and Zoning Commission, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-66, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None



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Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2015-67, A Resolution Designating Meeting Times for the Board of Zoning Adjustments, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-67, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2015-68, A Resolution Designating Meeting Times for the Library Board, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-68, which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments** and there was no response.

Mayor Webster announced that the next City Council meeting will take place on Monday, December 21, 2015, at 6:30. Pre Council will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Small made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous vote.

The City Council adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager