



City of Clay
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 7, 2012

The City Council of the City of Clay, Alabama met in regular session on Monday, May 7, 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 Councilwoman Jackie Hambrick 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
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 April 16, 2012. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre-Council meeting minutes and Regular Council meeting minutes of April 16, 2012, which was seconded by Councilman Feemster 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 Councilman Small and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

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

Under **Scheduled Public Comments**, Mayor McGuffie introduced Ms. Michelle Hall of Picture Your Freedom. She announced that Picture Your Freedom is a nonprofit organization in the process of incorporating. Ms. Hall presented a Bible to Mayor McGuffie. She announced that their main cause is literacy and they accept book donations locally and internationally. Ms. Hall stated that anyone can look at their facebook for more information.

Mayor McGuffie introduced Ms. Suzanne Childers, Circuit Judge in Jefferson County Place 15. Ms. Childers introduced herself as the Domestic Relations Court Judge. She announced that she has over 22 years of experience in this field. Ms. Childers stated that more information about her is available on her facebook and website. She asked that the citizens of Clay consider reelecting her when voting this year. Mr. George Post asked Ms. Childers what the term is for this position. She answered this position has a six year term.

Mayor McGuffie introduced ALC 2012-01, Request for Retail Liquor Licensing at 5112 Old Springville Road. Mayor McGuffie asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the request and recognized Mr. Dennis Lipford, who stated that he was the new owner of this location and that he requested approval for an alcohol license. Mayor McGuffie asked if there was anyone who wished to speak against the request and there was no response. Councilman Small made a motion to approve ALC 2012-01, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.



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Mayor McGuffie introduced A2012-01, Zoning for Newly Annexed Property at 2441 Old Springville Road, which was summarized by City Clerk Bobby Christmas who stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended this property be annexed with the zoning of Town Center Commercial. Mayor McGuffie asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the request and there was no response. Mayor McGuffie asked if there was anyone who wished to speak against the request and there was no response. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to approve A2012-01, which was seconded by Councilwoman Hambrick and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Under **Reports from Standing Committees** Councilman Feemster was recognized for a report from the **Public Safety Committee**. Councilman Feemster stated that he had nothing new to report.

Councilwoman Hambrick was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Community Development, Environmental, Historical, Library and Seniors**. Councilwoman Hambrick announced that the Library is getting ready to begin their summer reading program, the Fishing Rodeo will be held on June 16 and the Wear Cemetery Fence Dedication will take place on June 9. Councilwoman Hambrick called on Mr. Guy Scott for a report from the Senior Citizens Center. He stated the new Senior Citizens bus has arrived and announced two upcoming trips, one planned for May 9 to go to the Baron's baseball game, and the other planned for May 14 to tour Blount County's covered bridges.

Under **Committee on Annexation, Business, Census, Planning & Zoning and Schools**, Councilwoman Johnson reported on the following: (1) Clay May Days will be held May 19 at Cougar Drive and begin at 9:00 am. (2) Clay Chalkville High School Senior Kiara Parker was awarded the 2012 Kiwanis Club Youth of the Year. (3) Clay Chalkville High School's Key Club raised \$2,000.00 for weather radios at their yard sale. (4) Coach Hood invites the public to Cougar Stadium on Friday night to watch Clay Chalkville High School play Muscle Shoals. Tickets are \$5.00. (5) Will Hanson won 1st Place at the Eastern Women Art Show at Jefferson State Community College. Candice Short won 3rd place. (6) Clay Chalkville High School will host its Spring Concerts. The Chamber Choir's concert will be held May 15, the Symphonic Band's will be held May 10, and the full band concert will be held May 17. All will be held at the high school at 7:00 pm. (7) Graduation will be held on May 24 at Samford University. (8) Clay Chalkville Middle School dance team won the state championship and the regional championship competition. In February, they were named the Junior High Kick National Champions. (9) Clay Elementary 5th grade graduation will be held May 22. (10) May 24 is the last day of school.

Under **Committee on Building Inspections, Sanitation, Streets and Utilities** Councilman Kevin Small had nothing new to report.

Councilman Webster was recognized for a report from the **Committee on Parks and Recreation**. He announced that the fishing rodeo will be held June 16 from 9am-1pm. He stated that this year the lake will be stocked with fish and that every kid will be given a rod and reel at this year's event. Councilman Webster made a motion to pay Southeastern Pond Management an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 to treat an area of Cosby Lake which was seconded by Councilman Small and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

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 = \$98,395.47; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$135,394.09; Capital Improvement Fund = \$197,126.57; Contractors Bond = \$43,375.76; General Fund = \$534,203.75; Library Fund = \$403.60; and Senior Citizens Fund = \$1,914.34.



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

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, Small, Webster, and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

Mayor McGuffie introduced Resolution 2012-08, A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract for Election Services, which was read by City Clerk Bobby Christmas.

Councilman Feemster made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-08 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, Small, Webster and Mayor McGuffie

Nays: None

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

Mayor McGuffie called for any **Mayor / Council comments** and called for a motion to appoint Carol Foster to the Board of Zoning Adjustments through April 6, 2015. Councilman Small made a motion to appoint Carol Foster to the Board of Zoning Adjustments through April 6, 2015, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to appoint Eddie Box to the Planning and Zoning Commission through May 6, 2017. Councilman Feemster made a motion to appoint Eddie Box to the Planning and Zoning Commission through May 6, 2017, which was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie called for a motion to appoint Steve Ostaseski to the Planning and Zoning Commission through May 6, 2018. Councilwoman Johnson made a motion to appoint Steve Ostaseski to the Planning and Zoning Commission through May 6, 2018, which was seconded by Councilman Small and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor McGuffie announced that the next regular City Council meeting would be Thursday, May 24, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

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

The City Council adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobby Christmas
City Clerk