

#### City of Clay P.O. Box 345 Clay, Al 35048-0345

#### CITY COUNCIL MINUTES June 16, 2014

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, June 16, 2014, 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 Small opened in prayer and led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilor Baker (arrived at 6:45 pm) Councilor Johnson Councilor Halstead
Councilor Small Councilor Thackerson Mayor Webster

Absent: None

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of June 2, 2014.

Councilor Halstead made a motion to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of June 2, 2014, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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

Councilor Thackerson 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 Halstead, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Under **Mayor and Council Comments** Mayor Webster informed the Council that nets are in the lake for the Fishing Rodeo. Fish will be delivered on Wednesday, June 4.

Councilor Baker was not present for a report.

Councilor Halstead was recognized for a report. He had nothing new to report.

**Councilor Johnson** was recognized for a report. She called on Senior Center Co-Director Linda Plummer who reported that the Seniors' had a successful Father's Day celebration and will travel to Center Point for a Bowling Tournament. She invited everyone over 60 to visit the Senior Center.



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**Councilor Small** was recognized for a report. He discussed the popularity of the Library's Summer Reading Program and the progress of paving Old Springville Road.

**Councilor Thackerson** was recognized for a report. He reported that the architect presented plans for ADA compliant restrooms and parking lots at Cosby Lake Park. He also announced that the Fun Run raised almost \$1,000.00 to donate to Camp Smile-a-Mile. He announced that the fishing rodeo had approximately 290 kids under 10 years old and almost 300 kids over 10 years old attend.

Mayor Webster recognized Dusty Underwood of Center Point Fire District. Mayor Webster recognized Mr. Brett King and Mr. Shay Shelnutt, candidates for Alabama State Senate District 17. Mr. King spoke of the importance of Clay and asked the voters to come out and vote for him in the run off. He invited everyone to attend a forum in Hayden and Oneonta. Mr. Shelnutt stated that he originally won the Clay box, reviewed his stance, and asked the voters to support him.

**Councilor Baker** entered the meeting and was recognized for a report. He stated that the Public Safety Committee will meet on Monday, June 23.

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

Under the **City Manager's Report**, City Manager Ronnie Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$279,877.18; Senior Citizens Fund = \$3,067.86; Library Fund = \$15,514.29; Contractors Bond = \$168,721.92; Capital Improvement Fund = \$108,034.22; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$26,949.50; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$242,079.97; Road Project Fund = \$175,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$175,000.00; BBT Fund= \$18,750.00; Ballpark Revenue YTD= \$62,321.87; and Ballpark Expense YTD= -\$62,316.25.

Mr. Dixon discussed the Byars and Wright Insurance Company cursory review of the City's insurance policies through AMIC. The recommendation is not to change insurance company, but to change insurance agent and make Byars and Wright the agent of record. He asked the Council to allow him to sign an agency letter to make Byars and Wright the agent of record for the City. The Council discussed the review and opted to wait until the next Council meeting to allow time for the Council to review the company.

Mr. Dixon then read aloud a letter from a resident commending the Public Works Department for their effort.

Mr. Dixon then read a press release from the City announcing that the City of Clay will begin renewing car tags on August 4 for residents only.

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



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

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Halstead, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Ordinance 2014-03, An Ordinance Establishing a Local Convenience Issuance Fee for Renewal of Automobile Tags in Clay, Alabama, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-03, 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 Baker, Halstead, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2014-13, A Resolution Amending Resolution 2013-34, Designating School Committee Meetings, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon. Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-13, 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 Baker, Halstead, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2014-14, A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Enter Into a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-14, which was seconded by Councilor Halstead. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Halstead, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Mayor Webster called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments** and recognized Ms. Carol Foster who identified herself as living at 8061 Lizmore Lane. Ms. Foster asked if Jefferson County would be paving Old Springville Road up to Clayton Road. Mayor Webster and Councilor Small stated that the County will not pave that far. Ms. Foster expressed concern that she could not determine the sides of the road because of curves and drivers using their high beam lights. Mayor Webster answered that the stripes and markers will help with that problem.

Mayor Webster recognized Mr. Chuck Agnew who identified himself as living at 6340 Yellowhammer Drive. Mr. Agnew praised the Mayor for taking time to drive youth to Gulf Shores.



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Mayor Webster recognized Mr. Andy Driggers who identified himself as living at 5517 Garden Valley Lane. Mr. Driggers asked about CAPZO training for committee members. Mr. Dixon informed him that the City has budgeted for City Officials and employees only to renew certification this year. Mr. Driggers then asked the Council to resurface Garden Valley Lane and if resurfacing is not a possibility to fill pot holes from a water main break.

Mayor Webster announced that the next City Council meeting will take place on Monday, July 7, at 6:30.

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

The City Council adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon City Manager