



# City of Clay

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## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES February 23, 2021

The City Council of the City of Clay Alabama met digitally, pursuant to Governor Ivey's Order, for a regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 6:00 pm on February 23, 2021. Mayor Webster presided over the meeting and Ronnie Dixon served as recorder.

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order and roll call was conducted as follows:

Present: Councilors Becky Johnson, Bo Johnson, Dean Kirkner, Dennis Locke, and Mayor Webster

Absent: None

Councilor Bo Johnson led in prayer.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Council meeting minutes of February 9, 2021. *Councilor Dean Kirkner made a motion to approve the Council meeting minutes of February 9, 2021 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, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster*

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

*Councilor Dennis Locke made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

*Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster*

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

*Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster*

Under the **City Manager's report**, City Manager Ronnie Dixon updated the council on the following:

1. The City has had no contact from the property owner or developer about the recently proposed quarry project on Clay Palmerdale Road.
2. Clay will, with Council permission, partner with Alabama Fish and Wildlife for a "Fishing Alabama" program which will hold events throughout the state to teach people how to fish.
3. In response to recent questions, the City could pursue building a tornado shelter at Cosby Lake. This will be in addition to the shelters at Bryant Park Elementary and Clay Chalkville Middle schools. Councilor Thackerson asked to see examples from other cities.
4. Ameritek has approached the City about providing copiers. They won the PACA bid and cost less than the current copier vendor.
5. The Senior Center could open for Clay residents only in April. In limiting to Clay residents, visitors will be able to maintain a safe social distance.

Mr. Dixon introduced Mr. Barry Fagan of Volkert Inc., to present on the Cosby Lake dredging project. Mr. Fagan reported that the project is complete. The submerged vegetation has been dealt with while protecting the critical habitat downstream. The project is under budget and took 121 days to complete. The City is holding a retainer until the curtain is removed from the lake and the grass is repaired in approximately a week.



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City Manager Ronnie Dixon reported the Fund Balances as follows:

General Fund \$1,049,979.36, Vehicle Registration \$8,467.66, Contractor Bonds \$155,977.16, Capital Fund \$635,098.46, 4 & 5C Gas Fund \$184,591.01, 7 C Gas Fund \$112,105.70, Rebuild Alabama Gas Fund \$61,944.25, Building Fund \$86,155.31, Paving Supplement Fund \$256,840.98, Reserve Fund \$1,750,000.00, BBT Fund \$73,169.20, BP Sports Income \$9,684.00, BP Sports Expenses (\$5,270.58).

There were no **Public Hearings**.

Under **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other Business**, Mayor Webster called for a motion to move to unanimous consent. *Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to move into unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilor Dean Kirkner.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: *Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster.*

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2021-05, A Resolution to Contract with the Greater Birmingham Humane Society for Animal Control Services. *Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-05 which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: *Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster*

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2021-06, A Releasing the Lien for Abatement at 5209 Baggett Drive. *Councilor Dennis Locke made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-06 which was seconded by Councilor Becky Johnson.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows: *Yeas: Councilors Johnson, Kirkner, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster*

Mayor Webster called an end to unanimous consent and called on Fire Chief Gene Coleman who updated the Council on recent happenings within Center Point Fire District.

Councilor Thackerson discussed upgrades to and maintenance at the Disc Golf Course. Mr. Dixon assured the Council that the budget will cover the approximately \$7,000.00 costs.

Councilor Locke reported the February 2021 school grant winners:

Clay Elementary: Kristi Lott

Bryant Park Elementary: Jennifer Dominic

Clay Chalkville Middle: Dustin Hastings

Clay Chalkville High: Coach

Mayor Webster announced that March meetings will also take place on Zoom.

Crystal McGough spoke in favor of continuing service with Santek citing excellent customer service.

There being no further business, *Councilor Dean Kirkner made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon