

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

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES October 20, 2014

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, October 20, 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 Bo Johnson opened in prayer and led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilor Baker Councilor Johnson Councilor Small Councilor Thackerson Mayor Webster

Absent:

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre Council meeting minutes of October 6, 2014.

Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre Council meeting minutes of October 6, 2014, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of October 6, 2014.

Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes of October 6, 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 the Meeting Agenda which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve the amended 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 Baker Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster. Nays: None

Under Mayor and Council Comments, Mayor Webster introduced a representative for the campaign for Shanta Owens election as District Judge, Place 2. Mayor Webster introduced Mr. John Amari who campaigned for reelection as judge in 10th judicial circuit.

Councilor Baker was recognized for a report. He announced that the committee will meet on Monday, October 27.



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Councilor Becky Johnson was recognized for a report and requested an update on the senior center addition. Mr. Dixon explained that the County is still working and should be finished in the spring. November 11 is the Veterans Day Luncheon. The School Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 21. The Chamber of Commerce Luncheon is Tuesday, October 21. Wednesday, October 22 is Pink Out Day.

Councilor Bo Johnson was recognized for a report who announced that the annexation committee will meet on the first Monday of each month.

Councilor Small was recognized for a report.

Councilor Small made a motion to appoint Jackie Hambrick and Jane Anderton to the Library Committee, which was seconded by Councilor Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Councilor Thackerson was recognized for a report. He called for a report on the restrooms at Cosby Lake House. Mr. Dixon explained that requests for proposals have been sent out and the bid opening will take place on November 3. Mr. Dixon also announced that the City has closed Bryant Park for the near future. The lights were damaged during the recent storm and the City has to clean it up before the park can be open to the public.

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

Under the **City Manager's Report**, Mr. Dixon opened discussion about rezoning the property zoned Town Center Commercial on Deerfoot Parkway from Old Springville Road to Cougar Drive. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends this rezoning and the Council discussed the zoning.

Councilor Johnson made a motion to rezone all property currently zoned Town Center Commercial on Deerfoot Parkway from Old Springville Road to Cougar Drive to Highway Commercial zone, which was seconded by Councilor Baker. The motion was approved with Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Thackerson and Mayor Webster voting in favor. Councilor Small voted against.

Mr. Dixon opened discussion on bids received for demolition of 5909 Elizabeth Drive. Councilor Thackerson made a motion to rebid demolition of the property at 5909 Elizabeth Drive which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

City Manager Ronnie Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$281,716.75; Contractors Bond = \$168,721.92; Capital Improvement Fund = \$468,763.48; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$56,547.43; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$242,207.40; Road Project Fund = \$175,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$175,000.00; BBT Fund= \$43,750.00; Ballpark Revenue YTD= \$94,375.95; and Ballpark Expense YTD= -\$99,377.56.

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

Councilor Johnson made a motion to suspend the regular rules of order and enter into Unanimous Consent, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call



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vote was conducted with the results as follows:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2014-38, A Resolution Providing for the City of Clay's Participation in the Sales Tax Holiday, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon. *Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-38, which was seconded by Councilor Baker.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2014-39, A Resolution Declaring Weeds to be a Public Nuisance, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-39 with 6285 Walnut Drive and 6337 Walnut Cove stricken from the document, 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 Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments** and recognized Mr. George Post who commented on football in Mississippi.

Mayor Webster announced that the next City Council meeting will take place on Monday, November 3, at 6:30. Pre Council will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Baker made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by a unanimous vote.

The City Council adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon City Manager