

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
August 1, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Columbiana, Alabama met in a Regular Session in the Council Chambers of Columbiana City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. Mayor David Mitchell called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk, Charlene Tucker, to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

Present:

Council Member Karen Lilly
Council Member Vickie Mizzell
Council Member Ricky Ruston
Council Member Kim King
Council Member Ashley Phillips
Mayor David Mitchell

Absent:

None

The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes 7-18-23 Regular Council Meeting

There being no changes or amendments to the minutes, the Mayor declared the minutes approved.

Department Head Reports

Fire – Johnny Howard, Jr. reported the following:

- There has been no loss time injuries
- Slightly over budget
- Admin vehicles are in service
- Routine maintenance on apparatus continues
- EMS Training complete
- Applied for forestry grant
- Working on getting recruiting grant started. We have several applicants that are interested.
- Working on budget for next fiscal year.

Library – Jennifer Combs reported the following:

- No safety issues.
- Budget looks good.
- Staffing looks good.
- We had an estimated 1324 visitors for the month of July.
- We don't have the statistics for July yet.
- Summer Reading was good this year. We had a lot of readers and participants in our programs.

Environmental – Dale Lucas reported the following:

- No injuries during this fiscal year.
- We are currently working on preparing the new budget.
- We are still advertising for a Grade II Operator.
- No change in sewer lines.
- No change in compliance.
- We are getting geared up for our 2023-2024 training.
- We are almost finished with the plant rehab drawings.
- Depending on my guys passing their Grade II exam and new plant rehab, we could be looking at a new plant classification when new regulations go into effect.

Community Affairs & Senior Services – Ali Payne reported the following:

- Community Services:
 - Farmers Market/ Music on Main going well
 - Community Pep Rally August 11
- Senior Services:
 - Served 1050 meals in July
 - Looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels on Wednesdays
 - Explorer is having major transmission problems. This is the vehicle used to deliver meals.
- Grande Hall:
 - Hope to have floors redone in August

Board Reports

The Planning and Zoning Board approved the final plat for Saddlewood Trails.

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

RESOLUTION 08-23-01 RESOLUTION FOR FY 2024 TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, State of Alabama Act Number 2019-2, the Rebuild Alabama Act, was passed to levy additional excise tax on gasoline and diesel fuel; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana is to receive a portion of said tax;

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana pledges to keep this money in a separate fund and expend only for the maintenance, improvement, replacement and construction of streets and roads as mandated by the law passed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbiana is to adopt an annual transportation plan no later than August 31 for the next fiscal year based on an estimate of revenues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City intends to spend the expected funds of \$48,000.00 on paving projects on Goodwin Street and/or Washington Street.

THEREUPON Council Member Phillips moved and Council Member King seconded the motion that said resolution be given roll call vote, and said resolution passed by vote of all members of the Council, and the Mayor declared the same passed.

	Yea:	Nay:		Yea:	Nay:
Council Member Lilly	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member King	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___	Council Member Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ruston	<u>X</u>	___	Mayor David Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

**RESOLUTION 08-23-02
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT
WITH DENT MOSES**

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Columbiana has wishes to enter into an agreement with Dent Moses to assist in the implementation of a corrective action plan to address recurring findings and recommendations from the City's financial audits; and

WHEREAS, the provision of funds for payment is in the FY 2023 budget under line item "Other Professional Services";

Council asked that this resolution be tabled. Mayor Mitchell made a motion to table this resolution, which was seconded by Council Member King. There was a roll call vote of all members present and the vote was as follows: Lilly-yes, Mizzell-yes, Ruston-yes, King-yes, Phillips-yes, Mayor Mitchell-yes. The resolution will be tabled.

The Mayor asked that the Personnel and Policy Committee and the Finance Committee work on policies and procedures.

Discussion – Other City Business

Council Member Ruston asked about the timing of the red light at the intersection of Highway 25 & 70. Mayor Mitchell responded that the sensors will be put back down once all paving is complete.

Council Member Phillips asked for an update on abatements. City Clerk Charlene Tucker responded that the contractor should have those down by the end of next week.

Mayor's Report

- Thursday, August 3 – Chamber Connections Luncheon at the Grande Hall. Speaker is Dr. John Stewart, President of University of Montevallo

- Wednesday, August 9 – ADECA/Shelby County Virtual Broadband Presentation
- Friday, August 11 – Alabama Kiwanis Convention at the 4-H Center
- Tuesday, August 29 – Shelby County Mayor's Association meeting in Harpersville

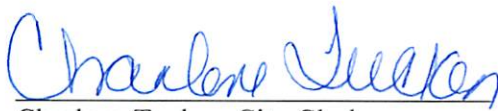
Announcements

- Farmers Market/Music on Main Unplugged, each Friday night through August 11:
 - August 4: LeAlan Carter
 - August 11: Community Pep Rally at Old Mill Square Park
- Main Street Farm to Table – Saturday, August 19 at the Grande Hall
- Discover Shelby Fest – September 30

Public Comments

None

There being no further business, Council Member Phillips moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council Member Lilly. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Mitchell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



Charlene Tucker, City Clerk



David Mitchell, Mayor

