

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
January 3, 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, January 3, 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 12-20-22 Regular Council Meeting**

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

**Department Head Reports**

**Fire – Mayor Mitchell reported the following:**

- There has been no loss time injuries
- Current budget is on track
- New employee has started
- Possible second station location in discussion
- No changes in vehicle fleet
- Routine maintenance on Apparatus continues
- EMS Training continues

**Library – Jennifer Combs reported the following:**

- No issues with safety.
- Budget looks good.
- We have hired two part time employees last week and they are in training.
- Traffic looks good.
- I do not have the statistic for December yet, but will have those next month.
- Our book sale is going well. We are still adding books to the carts. We now have room for new books coming in.

**Environmental** – Dale Lucas reported the following:

- No injuries during this fiscal year.
- Budget is Ok.
- We are still advertising for a Grade II Operator.
- We are currently working on upgrading some of our collection system.
- No change in sewer lines.
- We are getting ready to start our 2023 training
- The Hwy 70 sewer project is complete all except for clean-up.
- We have started the Goodwin street sewer rehab project.

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

- **Community Services:**
  - Christmas in the park a success
  - Cowboy Day Saturday, February 25
- **Senior Services:**
  - Served 1210 meals in December.
  - New activities in the New Year
  - Water aerobics at the YMCA
  - Looking for a new Yoga teacher.
  - Senior Center looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels on Wednesdays.

### **Board Reports**

None

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

### **RESOLUTION 01-23-01 AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH FINDER DATA SHARING**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbiana Police Department would benefit from the information they would obtain from Finder Data Sharing Network for police records and other data sources to increase officer safety, maximize investigator efficiency and to reduce crime, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost associated with this service is in the Police Department's FY 2023 budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Columbiana City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign a MOU with Finder Data Sharing;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that upon the completion of the execution of the contract by all parties, that a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

**THEREUPON** Mayor Mitchell moved and Council Member Ruston seconded the motion that said resolution be given vote, and said resolution passed by roll call vote of all members of the Council present, 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 01-23-02  
RESOLUTION FOR ABC LICENSE FOR  
THE PROVINCIAL PUB**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana has received an application from **THE PROVINCIAL PUB DBA CLADDAGH PUB GROUP LLC**, through the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board requesting an 010 – Lounge Retail Liquor – Class I Liquor Alcohol License Application; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbiana recognizes that this business has complied with the requirements of the State of Alabama to obtain such licenses;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Columbiana that the City Council of the City of Columbiana does hereby grant the request and charge the City Clerk with providing a letter to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board indicating their approval of the license request.

**THEREUPON** Council Member King moved and Council Member Phillips 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.

Results of the roll call vote:

	Yea:	Nay:
Council Member Karen Lilly	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Vicky Mizzell	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Rickey Ruston	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Kim King	<u>X</u>	___
Council Member Ashley Phillips	<u>X</u>	___
Mayor David Mitchell	<u>X</u>	___

**Discussion – Other City Business**

None

**Mayor’s Report**

Recreation Economy for Rural Communities Update (EPA/ARC Planning Grant)

- Steering Committee Meetings & Planning Sessions: October 5 – January 10 (Seeking volunteers)
- On-site Workshop: January 19-20 (Open to public)
- Implementation Session: February – April

- Final Report: May
- 2022 Year in Review:
- City's Net Position Increased for 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year
  - Implemented new garbage pick-up process
  - Storm Water Study (ARPA Grant)
  - Economic Development Academy
  - Shelby County Park & Recreation Grant
  - Softball Lighting Upgrades (SC Grant).
  - Hwy 25 Sewer Project (CDBG Grant)
  - Hwy 70 Sewer Project
  - City Grant to SCHS for Weight Room Upgrade
  - Digihost Crypto Mining Operations
  - PT Solutions Ribbon Cutting
  - New Senior Center Bus
  - EPA RERC Grant
  - FEMA SAFER Grant (pending)
  - Transition all City employees to Tier 1 retirement system
  - Public Works New Brush Truck
  - Two New Police Cars
  - DOJ COPS Grant
  - ADEM Grant/Loan for Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade
  - Two New Certified Magistrates
  - Shelby County Diamond Awards
    - Citizen of Year –Lisa Strickland Davis
    - Public Servant of Year – Ali Payne/Dr Lewis Brooks
  - Groundbreaking – Second Chance Ranch
  - Groundbreaking – Blanket Fort Hope

#### Announcements

- January 19-20 – RERC Workshop
- Saturday, February 25 – Cowboy Day
- Saturday, February 25 – Cattlemen's Rodeo

#### Public Comments

None

There being no further business, Council Member Mizzell 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 6:32 p.m.



Charlene Tucker, City Clerk



David Mitchell, Mayor

