

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA
October 4, 2022**

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, October 4, 2022. 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 Ashley Phillips
Mayor David Mitchell

Absent:

Council Member Kim King

The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes 9-20-22 Regular Council Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes 9-29-22 Council Work Session

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
- Possible second station location
- No changes in vehicle fleet
- Routine Maintenance on Apparatus ongoing
- EMS Training ongoing
- Daily staffing is an issue/concern
- Possible second location in discussion.

Library – Jennifer Combs reported the following:

- Jennifer Combs introduced herself. She is the new library director.
- No safety issues.
- Budget looks good
- In the process of getting a job description to post for part time position.
- Traffic in the library is good.

Environmental Services – Dale Lucas reported the following:

- No injuries during last budget year.
- Looking forward to starting the new budget.
- Staffing regulations are changing June 2023.
- We are still keeping an eye on the aeration liner, it has gotten worse.
- We are currently working on upgrading some of our collection system.
- No change on compliance.
- Looking forward to starting our training for the new fiscal year.
- I finished the budget and turned it into the City Clerk. The contractors completed the main trunk line, the other contractors are working on the Hwy 70 sewer line replacement. We are getting ready to bid out the Goodwin street sewer rehab before Allen has it paved.
- The aeration basin liner has gotten worse but has not changed anymore in the last week. We have our emergency plan in place and have ADEM's approval.

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

- Upcoming Events:
 - Ironworks Fall Festival, this Saturday, October 8
 - Midnight Café, Beautification Board Fundraiser, this Sat, Oct 8
 - Farm to Table Main Street Fundraiser, October 22nd
 - Monster Walk, October 31st
 - Trick or Treat, October 31st
 - Main Street Artisan Market, November 10th
 - Christmas in the Park, Trees available for sponsorship
 - Christmas Parade registration on the Website
- Senior Center served 1144 meals in September.
- Senior Center numbers are growing
- Senior Center looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels.

Board Reports

None

Public Hearing – ADEM Waste Water Treatment Plant Project

Dave Bechtel with Utility Engineering Consultants gave Council information regarding the Clean Water State Revolving Fund project. This public hearing is required by ADEM. This project is funded by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program. This is to rehabilitate the wastewater plant process to meet ADEM current standards. The loan amount is \$2,762,500.00 and the grant amount is \$2,762,500.00, with a total project amount of \$5,525,000.00. The loan is a 20 year term with an interest rate of 1.99%. The project will move headworks from flood plain to top of hill, rehabilitate aeration basin by installing 2 basins and using concrete instead of liners, replace existing UV with upgraded version due to old system parts becoming scarce, replace grit chamber with new chamber due to parts being hard to acquire and new clarifiers with ability to be isolated. The plant will be designed to have two parallel trains of flow to allow for operators to take part of flow train out of service and provide SCADA Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition for plant, to help monitor conditions.

Mayor Mitchell introduced:

ORDINANCE 10-22-01
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SALE OF
CITY PROPERTY TO RICHARD HARMON
First Reading

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. It is hereby established and declared that the following real property of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes, to-wit:

111 Alabama Avenue, Columbiana, Alabama.

Parcel #21 7 25 2 202 022.000

A lot in the Town of Columbiana, Alabama, being a part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, Township 21, Range 1 West, and more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the NW corner of Section 25, Township 21 South, Range 1 West; thence South 2 degrees 49 minutes East along Section line a distance of 2234.0 feet to the point of beginning of lot herein described; thence North 84 degrees 40 minutes East along South property line of Purser Miles, a distance of 215.45 feet to a point; thence South 6 degrees 43 minutes East a distance of 393.93 feet to a point on the North bank of a branch; thence South 85 degrees 42 minutes West along the North bank of said branch, a distance of 242.12 feet to a point on the West boundary of said Section 25; thence North 2 degrees 49 minutes West along said West boundary of Section 25, a distance of 390.11 feet to point of beginning, together with the right of ingress, egress and regress to grantees herein, their heirs and assigns, through and over an alley 15 feet wide, which said alley is described as follows: Beginning at the NW corner of the hereinabove described property and running North 84 degrees 40 minutes East 15 feet; thence North 2 degrees 49 minutes East to the South margin of Mildred Street; thence Westerly along the South margin of Mildred Street 15 feet to the West boundary of said Section 25; thence South 2 degrees 49 minutes East along said Section line to the point of beginning. Situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Subject to restrictions, easements and rights of way of record, if any.

Section 2. Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11-47-20, 1975 Code of Alabama, the mayor and the city clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, for and on behalf of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, a warranty deed, a copy of which is on file in the office of the city clerk, whereby the City of Columbiana, Alabama, does convey the premises described in Section 1, hereof to Richard Harmon for and in consideration of the sum of forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000.00).

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication or posting as required by law.

Council Member Phillips made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt the ordinance at the first reading, which was seconded by Council Member Lilly. The vote to suspend the rules was as follows: Council Member Lilly – No, Council Member Mizzell – No, Council Member Ruston – Yes, Council Member Phillips – Yes and Mayor Mitchell – Yes. The vote was not unanimous, therefore, the rules will not be suspended to adopt the ordinance at the first ready.

Mayor Mitchell made a motion for the ordinance's first reading, which was seconded by Council Member Ruston. The Mayor open the floor for discussion by council. Council discussed the pros and cons of selling the property and of keeping the property. The ordinance's second reading and vote will be on the next council agenda.

Discussion – Other City Business

Columbiana Main Street requested that Main Street be closed on Thursday, November 10 from 4:00 pm until 10:00 for the Columbiana Main Street November Artisan Market. This event is an extension of the Columbiana Main Street Farmers' Market and will bring people into our city for this event. Council discussed the request and had no objects to closing Main Street on November 10.

Mayor's Report

- September 23 – ADEM “bypass” authorization to allow sewer treatment plant repairs
- September 29 – Met with ALDOT Director, John Cooper to discuss:
 - Speed Limits
 - Traffic light at Highway 25 and Depot Street
 - Storm drainage
- October 1 – Discover Shelby Fest
- October 2 – Beautification Board Main Street Fall Decoration
- October 4 – Preliminary discussion: 100 acre -Faith-Based retreat patterned after California's JH Ranch Slide 15
- October 5 – RERC (Recreation Economy for Rural Communities) Virtual Intro
- October 12 – Shelby County Senior Summit: Grande Hall
- November 11 – American Legion Vets Breakfast at Recreation Center. The American Legion has volunteered to replace the flags at City Hall as needed.


Announcements

- October 8 – Ironworks Fall Festival
- October 8 – Beautification Board Midnight Café
- October 22 – Main Street Farm to Table
- October 31 – Monster Walk
- November 10 – Main Street Artisan Market
- December 2 – January 3 – Christmas in the Park
- December 2 – Christmas Parade

Public Comments

None

There being no further business, Council Member Mizzell moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council Member Ruston. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Mitchell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Charlene Tucker, City Clerk



David Mitchell, Mayor

