

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLUMBIANA, ALABAMA  
July 7, 2020**

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, July 7, 2020. Mayor Stancil Handley called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk, Charlene Tucker, to call roll after the invocation and pledge.

**Present:**

Council Member Leslie Whiting  
Council Member Barbara Moore

Council Member Ouida Mayfield  
Mayor Stancil Handley

**Absent:**

Council Member Ricky Ruston  
Council Member Kim King

The Mayor declared that a quorum was present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes 6-16-20 Regular Council Meeting
- B. Approval of Check Registers for June 20 and July 1, 2020 Accounts Payable Batches
- C. Approval for Liz Taylor to attend Alabama Revenue Officer training in Tuscaloosa, AL on October 6-9. Also approving the use of the city credit card for registration, lodging and meals not to exceed \$700.00
- ~~D. Approval for Liz Taylor and BreAna Windham to attend magistrate training in Gulf Shores, AL on September 23-27. Also approving the use of the city credit card for registration, lodging and meals not to exceed \$1600.00.~~

Council asked that item (D) be removed from the agenda. More information is needed regarding both magistrates being out of the office at the same time.

Council Member Whiting made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended, which was seconded by Council Member Mayfield and followed by a unanimous show of hands vote of all members present. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

- **Police** – The Mayor reported for the police department. There was a positive COVID-19 case in the police department. All officers were tested along with both magistrates. ServPro cleaned the police department this morning. Several cars were broken into last night and some were stolen. Cornerstone Christian School was also broken into but those suspects have been arrested.

- **Streets** – Allen Reynolds reported that his department has been busy cutting grass and picking up brush. They are cleaning the downtown area and getting ready for Liberty Day. The brush truck is in the shop being repaired.
- **Library** – Shelia Gallups reported that the library was awarded the Google grant for online programs. They will know about the Cares Act Grant in August. The summer reading program has been slow this year.
- **Environmental** – The mayor reported for the environmental department and reports that everything is going well at the plant.
- **Planning & Zoning** – The mayor reported for planning and zoning. The Planning and Zoning Board is working on the zoning ordinance and on lot sizes. The Board will make recommendations to council for approval.
- **Admin** – Charlene Tucker reported that the city’s census response rate is at 63.6%. Qualifying for the municipal election started today. An employee at City Hall was tested for COVID-19 but that test came back negative and they will be back at work tomorrow.
- **Senior Center** – Ali Payne reported that her department is still delivering meals. They have had a couple of drive in bingo events at the Senior Center and she is working with Bruce Andrews to have a drive in concert. We have 70 vendors for Liberty Day and tomorrow is the deadline for those applications. Vendors will be spaced 12 feet apart for social distancing. The production company will live stream the events on Saturday night. We are also asking that every social distance at the football field for fireworks.
- **Marketing** – Elizabeth Smith reported that Rose Colored Glasses will live stream on July 9 at 7:00 pm. The Distinguished Young Women Pageant will be July 11 at 7:00 pm in the Grande Hall. The Fine Folk Art exhibit will start in the art gallery on July 16. Kim Speaks will be performing at the Black Box Theater on July 18 at 7:30 pm. There have been four events booked between now and December at the Grande Hall. Three are dance recitals and the other is the Distinguished Young Women Pageant.

### **DISCUSSION – 2020 MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

Qualifying for the municipal election is July 7-21 from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Charlene Tucker and Kayce Watkins are going over the candidate packets with the candidates when they qualify and answering questions. The election is August 25.

### **DISCUSSION – OTHER CITY BUSINESS**

None

### **MAYOR’S REPORT**

The police department has been working hard on the car burglaries that happened overnight.

Springs Crossing Sector 2 is open and 20 of the 35 lots have been sold.

There was a marriage proposal in front of the fountain at Old Mill Square this week. The fountain pump is down and the water feature is off while that is being repaired.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

City wide clean-up day is July 18 at 7:00 am. Everyone will meet at the gazebo in front of City Hall.

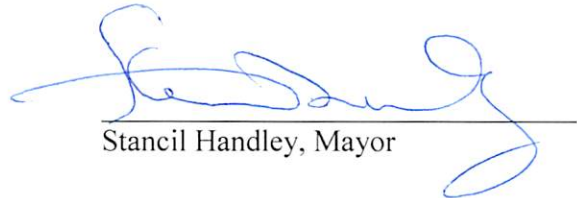
### PUBLIC COMMENT

Roger Porter reported that the Liberty Day car show will be bigger and better this year. It will be in the First Baptist Church parking lot. He needs signs to direct traffic and three or four more people to help with parking from 8:00 – 11:00 am. Retired Rides in Pelham is sponsoring the car show and also providing goody bags and t-shirts.

There being no further business, Council Member Whiting moved that the meeting be adjourned which was seconded by Council Member Mayfield. The motion passed by vote of all members of the Council present. Mayor Handley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Charlene Tucker, City Clerk



Stancil Handley, Mayor

