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Montevallo City Council Work Session
May 23, 2016
5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Mayor Hollie Cost, Council Member Jason Peterson, Council Member Willie Goldsmith, Council Member Sharon Gilbert, and Council Member Rusty Nix were in attendance. Council Member Dee Woodham was absent.

Mayor Cost called the Work Session to order at 5:30. Mayor Cost welcomed all in attendance and explained that the work session was a time for the Council to discuss business and items relating to the Council meeting agenda as well as to hear citizen presentations to be discussed by Council.

The Mayor introduced our new summer intern, Aaron McEwan. She then asked Sarah Hogan, our Main Street Director, to update everyone on the Main Street program.

Ms. Hogan explained the purpose of the program and invited everyone to come to City Hall the following night at 6:00 to enjoy a "Taste of Main Street."

Mayor Cost thanked Ms. Hogan, member of the Montevallo Project committee and others for their efforts in securing the Main Street designation for our city.

Chief Littleton presented the Police Department report:



# Montevallo Police Department City Council Report

Date:

Total Calls: 869	Burglaries:	Zone Checks: 557
Total Cases:	Auto Burglaries:	School Patrols: 45
Traffic Accidents:	Domestics:	
Traffic Stops:	Assaults:	
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Additional Comments:		
We made an arrest in Hurricane Electronics		



# Montevallo Police Department Code Enforcement Activity Report

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Jnsafe structure on Hwy 10 being donated to city.

Frash piled next to dumpster at Creekside Apts.

Complaint about vacant lot on Graham St.

Complaint about debris in the backyard of home on Samford St.

Jehicles on Dauphin Street. (3)

Henke property logs on property.

Two structures on Hwy 119 that are overgrown.

Overgrown grass at vacant house on Commerce St.

## Inspections Pending Continued from Last Period:

Heritage Trace overgrown lots. Lots cut by city. Lien process underway.

Debris Under carport on Brookhill. Letter has been mailed to owner.

Home on Moody Street still being repaired.

Trash streetside and tall grass on Shoal Creek Circle. Homeowner advsied bank foreclosed.

Tall Grass on Tecumseh Street. Letter Mailed and home owner spoken too.

Multiple (10+) vehicles and uncut lot on Hwy 203.

Tall Grass commplaint for 24 New Hope Drive.

#### Cases Closed this Period:

Home at Valley St and Plowman St - Large amount of cans in yard. Has been cleaned.

Area behind Victory Building. Cut by owner.

Lexington Parc entrance cut and cleaned.

Debris in front of home in Lexington Parc removed.

Oxford Circle tall grass cut.

Cat abandoned in apartment on Davilla. Removed and warrants issued for owners.

Racoon found caged in Cobblestone. Released and informed Wildlife Enforcment.

Lot on Island Street Cut.

Trash piled next to dumpster at Creekside Apts removed.

Complaint about debris in the backyard of home on Samford St. Is patio furniture from party. Overgrown grass at vacant house on Commerce St was cut.

#### Other Comments:

Abatement Board Meeting held and cost of abatement confirmed. Also moving ahead on selection of houses for next abatment.

Chief Bill Reid reported on the Fire Department. He said they ran 121 calls in May, four of which were structure fires outside of our City limits. Most were medical calls. The Chief noted that the volunteer firefighter certification course is nearly over. The next one will be held in August or September.

Kirk Hamby, Director of Public Works, said his crews are busy picking up brush and cutting grass. He noted that Hwy 10 is heavily littered and hard to keep clean.

Council Member Nix reported that the ValloCycle storage building is nearly complete.

Mr. Hamby also reported that over the June 3-4 weekend 35 teams played at Stephens Park which brought a lot of people into town. 15 teams will be in town this coming weekend. There will also be a 12 team Dizzy Dean tournament coming up.

Council Member Nix asked Mr. Hamby if ValloCycle needs more bikes. Mr. Hamby said they have plenty at this point, but some need repair.

The Mayor mentioned the plan to put ValloCycle under the direction of the Park & Recreation Board. Council Member Nix suggested that we provide the Board with more information on that proposal because many members were unsure about the idea.

Dwight Dellinger reported on progress at the Golf Course. He said we had 1072 players in May, up from this time last year. The new carts are working well. So far, they've only had one small issue with one cart. The Knights of Columbus scheduled a tournament for September. He said they are seeing a lot more first-time players at the course. Everything out there is in much better shape.

Council Member Nix informed the council he walked the Shoal Creek Park trail and that people should aware of snakes – he saw two out there. Other than that, everything looks good out there. He suggested we look into the possibility of hosting a 5K Mud Run on some similar event at the park.

Janice Seaman, Chair of the Historical Commission, reminded the council that there is a requested board appointment on the agenda for their consideration during the regular meeting.

Mayor Cost informed the council that she met with our County Development Services personnel to discuss concerns raised at recent meetings. Council Member Nix asked if the County was going to ease off on their requirements. The Mayor explained that the County merely enforces our city's requirements as set out in our City Code. If we need to make changes to our code, that needs to come from us.

Council Member Nix pointed out that some of our bu8ilding are old and may be cost prohibitive to bring up to code. Mayor Cost said that was discussed with the County, but we still need to ensure that our buildings are safe.

Allie Williams provided the Library report:

# PARNELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT MAY 2016

CIRCULATION:

2846 items charged

(Decreased by 10%)

COMPUTER USE:

686 users

(Decreased by 3%)

STORYTIME/5:

61

(Decreased by 21%)

MOVIES/4:

119 people attended

(Increased by 46%)

OTHER KIDS' PROGRAMS/1:

147

ESOL/4:

~8 (over until fall)

WEBSITE VISITS SINCE 3/30/16:

6: 1910

DEPOSITS:

5/5/16	\$483.05
5/12/16	\$1092.74
5/12/16	\$128.40
5/25/16	\$254.04
5/31/16	\$82.00
5/31/16	\$416.95

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1	Phone	Yealink T46G	2		6.00		352.00	Yealink	T46G		T46G	Yealink VOIP Phone
2	Phone	Yealink T42G	7	\$ 1	3.00	\$	931.00	Yealink	T42G		T42G	Yealink VOIP Phone
3	Phone	Yealink Expansion Module	2	\$	8.23	\$	156.46	Yealink	EXO40		EXP40	Expansion Module for Yealink T46G Phone
4	Phone	VOIP ATA adapter	1	\$	9.00	\$	79.00	Linksys	SPA112		SPA112	ATA Adapter 2 Port
5	Network	Cradle Point	1	\$ 3	0.00	\$	350.00	CradlePoint	MBR1400		MBR1400	Cradle Point Router
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Ms. Williams discussed the need for a new phone system. She asked for permission to purchase a new system for approximately \$7,000 using funds from the library's unallocated reserve. Mayor Cost asked Council Member Peterson if this solution appeared reasonable. He said it did.

Council Member Gilbert informed the council that the Sister City Commission meets Tuesday night at 5:30. They are asking the city for an increase in their funding to help cover the cost of both hosting and sending our kids to Japan.

She also reported that UM hosted the Police Explorers Camp last week. These camps bring a lot of visitors to Montevallo. There is a Music Camp, Upward Bound camp and other camps scheduled in the coming weeks.

Mayor Cost reviewed the Agenda items with the council. She noted that the Police Department has requested permission to use \$7,000 from the Forfeiture Fund to purchase an unmarked vehicle. They will try to purchase it locally, if possible.

The City Clerk informed the council that the Forfeiture Fund has a balance of around \$15,000.

The Mayor discussed the emergency replacement of the HVAC system at the Recreation Center. She mentioned, as well, that the HVAC at the Recycling Center also needs to be replaced.

Chief Littleton discussed his request to purchase a recording system for their radio system. He said the cost started out at around \$14,000. He was able to get that amount down to \$5,080 and the UM Police Dept has agreed to share the unit and split the cost with us. This too would come from Forfeiture Funds.

Montevallo City Council Meeting May 23, 2016 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Mayor Hollie Cost, Council Member Jason Peterson, Council Member Willie Goldsmith, Council Member Sharon Gilbert, and Council Member Rusty Nix were in attendance. Council Member Dee Woodham was absent.

# Pledge of Allegiance

## PUBIC HEARING - Bloch St ONE WAY

The council discussed the proposal to make traffic along Bloch Street "One Way" from Main Street to Valley Street. Both Chief Littleton and Chief Reid said they could not find an instance where any wrecks occurred at the intersection of Bloch and Main. Mr. Hamby said the High School is losing some parking near Jeter and could use additional parking spaces along that street if parking could be established on both sides of the road.

The Mayor pointed out that a concerned citizen wrote the council and recommended that instead of making the road one-way, the council consider placing a "No Left Turn" sign at that intersection. She said she thought that was a good idea.

Council Member Nix agreed, noting that would eliminate the potential safety concern at that intersection.

No one from the audience made any comments.

The Mayor said the item would be added to the next Agenda.

Mayor Cost called the meeting to order at 6:05.

Mayor Cost reintroduced Aaron McEwan, our new intern. She then asked Sarah Hogan to talk a bit more about Main Street.

Ms. Hogan said that on June 1<sup>st</sup> we learned that we had been chosen as one of only four communities in the state to participate in the Main Street Alabama program this year. There are only 20 Main Street communities in Alabama. She said our participation will help our entire city to prosper in the years to come. Once again, she invited everyone to participate in the kick-off celebration at City Hall the next day, which will feature a "Taste of Main Street."

Once again, Mayor Cost thanked everyone involved in the application process for their efforts.

**Approval and/or corrections of the minutes – 5/23/16 –**Council Member Peterson made a motion to approve the Minutes from May 23, 2016 as presented. Council Member Goldsmith seconded. Council Member Gilbert Abstained. ALL OTHERS VOTED AYE . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Student Recognitions / Awards (None Scheduled)

Opportunities for citizens to speak to the Council: No one participated.

**Committee Reports and Consideration of Bills:** 

**Public Health & Safety** (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement)—Discussed earlier.

**Sustainability** (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives) – Discussed earlier.

**Recreation, Preservation and Community Development** (Parks & recreation, Golf Course, Youth Athletics, Trails, Historical Commission, Planning & Zoning, Annexations) – Discussed earlier.

**Education, Arts & Outreach** (Schools, UM, Boys & Girls Club, Library, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk, Middle School Grant) – Discussed earlier.

**Finance, Economic Development & Tourism** (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber) – Discussed earlier.

Council Member Nix made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Council Member Gilbert seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Consent Agenda: None

## **New Business**

Proclamation honoring John Miller – The Mayor presented the following proclamation to John Miller:



# **Proclamation Honoring John Miller**

Whereas, John Miller has lived in Montevallo all of his life attending each of the Montevallo Schools from kindergarten through college; and

Whereas, he has been a Juvenile Probation Officer with Shelby County Juvenile Court for 34 years, starting as a college intern, volunteer, probation aide, probation officer and appointed Chief Probation Officer in May of 1985, a position he still holds today; and

Whereas, one of John's many accomplishments was winning approval from the County Commission to build its Juvenile Detention Facility. He spent over two years traveling across the southeast researching many juvenile detention facilities, then applying his research in the design and building of Shelby County's facility, which continues to meet the needs of juveniles requiring a short-term secured lock up; and

**Whereas,** John started the Juvenile Courts Deferred Prosecution Program that allows first offenders to participate in a six-month program which includes drug education classes and random drug testing. If successfully completed, their case is dismissed, thereby avoiding a permanent record; and

Whereas, John was instrumental in the beginning stages of Shelby County's first Boys and Girls Club located in Montevallo, with the Juvenile Court providing its initial seed money. John was convinced from day one of the benefits this program would have on the kids in the Montevallo area; and

**Whereas,** John served on the planning committee in the organization of the Montevallo Middle School Leaders of Tomorrow. The Juvenile Court still provides the annual operating funds for this very successful program; and

Whereas, John has served as foster parent to numerous kids both short term and long term; and

Whereas, often times his job continues until all hours of the night, meeting with kids and their parents. He prides his relationship with attorneys, school officials, treatment providers, law enforcement, Department of Human Resources and other agencies, all to benefit children involved with the court. He has always taken a proactive approach whenever possible to prevent a child from entering "the system." This has resulted in many long and sleepless nights; and

Whereas, John considers himself very blessed with having a job he loves. He is often referred to as the man that works with the bad kids, but in his 34 years he has worked with fewer than ten "bad" kids. He has worked with some of Shelby County's finest children and teenagers one could ever hope to meet. He considers it a privilege having met so many throughout the years; and

Whereas, John has two grown sons, a granddaughter and teenage grandson who attend Jemison schools; and

**Whereas,** John's official retirement date is Thursday, June 30, 2016. John is in the process of building a new home and will spend time at the lake. He just celebrated his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Montevallo, Alabama that June 30<sup>th</sup> 2016 is hereby declared **John Miller Day** in recognition of John's lasting legacy in the lives of children, teenagers and families in Shelby County.

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## Hollie C. Cost, Mayor

Mr. Miller said this was a very special recognition and introduced his family members in attendance.

Authorize Police Dept to purchase an unmarked vehicle up to \$7,000 using Forfeiture Funds – Council Member Goldsmith made a motion to authorize the request. Council Member Nix seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Authorize Police Dept to purchase Hurricane recorder using \$2,600 +/- Forfeiture Funds - Council Member Nix made a motion to authorize the request. Council Member Goldsmith seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED. -

Authorize \$2,000 from State Capital Improvement Fund for purchase of gravel for City Hall lot - Council Member Gilbert made a motion to authorize the request. Council Member Peterson seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Ratify emergency purchase of HVAC unit at Rec Center and authorize \$8,800 payment from State Capital Improvement Fund - Council Member Nix made a motion to ratify the emergency purchase. Council Member Gilbert seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

#### **Old Business**

Demolition Bid Award - 613 Shelby St. (No action necessary)

Food Truck Ordinance (No action necessary)

# **Board Appointments**

Historical Commission - Sherry Vallides - Council Member Nix made a motion to authorize the appointment. Council Member Gilbert seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

## Other Business

Library Phone System - Council Member Nix made a motion to authorize the \$7,000 purchase of a new phone system for the library using their unallocated reserve. Council Member Gilbert seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

# Citizen Participation:

Charlotte Landefeld addressed the council with regard to the possible de-annexation of her property at 6060 Hwy. She said her husband is ill and her daughter wants to build a house on the property to help take care of him. She talked to Shelby County and was informed that she could not build a second home on the property under the current zoning. However, if she was in the county, she could.

Mayor Cost said the council would consider her request. However, she warned that the council has never agreed to de-annex property.

Ms. Landefeld said she was aware of that fact and asked for any help she could get.

Mayor Cost said we would talk to Shelby County and get back to her with a suggestion.

There being no further business before the council, Council Member Nix made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Peterson seconded. MEETING ADJOURNED at 6:26 p.m.

Submitted by:

Herman Lehman City Clerk