



**CITY OF FLORENCE
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
JULY 5, 2016**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Florence, Alabama, was held in the City Hall Auditorium in Florence at 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, July 5, 2016. President Jordan called the meeting to order. Councilmember Morris gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Robert M. Leyde, City Clerk, performed the roll call and noted that five Councilmembers were present and a quorum was present with the following members of the City Council in attendance: Dave Smith, William D. Jordan, Hermon T. Graham, Blake Edwards and Barry Morris. Andrew Betterton was absent.

AMENDED AGENDA

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 5, 2016

5:00 P.M.

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1. Meeting called to order - President Jordan
 2. Invocation - Councilmember Morris
 3. Pledge of Allegiance
 4. Roll Call - President Jordan
 5. Approval of Agenda
 6. Message from Mayor
 7. Reports of Department Heads
 8. Reports of Standing Committees
 9. Public Hearings: None
 10. Business from floor pertaining to items on the consent and regular agenda (5-minute time limit).
 11. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Florence City Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request. Please call 256-760-6400 for questions on Consent Agenda items prior to the Council meeting.

- (a) Approval of minutes of the June 21, 2016, meeting.
- (b) Confirm payment of bills by the City Treasurer.

- (c) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Garnett Electric Co., Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and other incidentals necessary to replace outside lighting at the Handy Recreation Center, in the amount of \$1,223.79, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #266-44410, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (d) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Tim Rhodes Electric Co., Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and other incidentals necessary to install lamps at the River Heritage Foundation, in the amount of \$1,083.44, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #260-44725 - Park Maintenance, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (e) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with JC Hamm & Sons, Inc., to provide labor, equipment, materials and incidentals necessary for the installation of a two ton Gree ductless mini-split heat pump system to serve the upstairs area at Pope's Tavern, in the amount of \$6,100.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #117, sponsored by Todd Nix.
- (f) Resolution authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Chris Mitchell, d/b/a Chris Mitchell Management Consultants, to provide professional services necessary to perform a cost of services study and a financial forecast and analysis and other services for the Florence Utilities Electricity Department, in the amount of \$12,650.00, to be paid from budgeted funds, Account #923.00 - Outside Services Employed, sponsored by Richard Morrissey.
- (g) Resolution to approve a Contract for the Provision of Supplemental Police Services between the Florence Housing Authority and the City of Florence, sponsored by Ron Tyler.
- (h) Resolution to approve Agreement No. HESG-16-001 between the City and ADECA regarding the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program naming the City as a Sub-Recipient to receive grant funding, sponsored by Melissa Bailey.
- (I) Resolution to advance and reimburse travel expenses to City employees, sponsored by Mayor Haddock.

12. Regular Agenda:

- (a) Ordinance to vacate a portion of the utilities easements at Lots 53 and 54, GlenStone Subdivision, in favor of Reeder Donald and Glenda F. Behel, sponsored by Bill Musgrove.
- (b) Resolution to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Florence, AL and the Alabama Forestry Commission to work jointly to improve the highway entrance to the Alabama Forestry Commission's offices located at 1212 Waterloo Road, sponsored by Mayor Haddock. **(This item was added to the regular agenda)**
- (c) Resolution to approve a claim filed by Valerie Wesson for an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00, plus the cost of a rental vehicle to be paid from the City's Liability Insurance Fund, sponsored by Bill Musgrove. **(This item was added to the regular agenda)**

13. General Business:

- (a) Resolution to approve the operating budget of the Electricity Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, sponsored by Mayor Haddock, Vance Young and Richard Morrissey.
- (b) Resolution - Alcohol Beverage License Application for a Special Event called Alabama Craft Beer Festival, with On-Premises Beer, by CBJA HOLDINGS, d/b/a ALABAMA CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL, to take place on August 8th, 2016, and located at 121 to 123 E MOBILE ST, FLORENCE, AL 35630, sponsored by Robert M. Leyde.

(c) Board Openings within the next 90 days or less:

<u>Board</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Beautification	Vacancy		
Hospital Board	Thelma Robinson	07/01/86	06/25/16
Housing/Const	Adam Burchell	06/19/12	09/30/15
	Jack Reid	09/06/05	09/30/15
	William Wynne (alt)	09/06/05	09/30/15
	Thomas Pigg (alt)	09/06/05	09/30/15
Parks & Rec	Mike Williams	12/01/09	10/30/14
Port Authority	Darlene Ballard (Joint)	08/02/11	07/21/16
SCOPE 310	Josh Webster	08/21/12	07/21/15
	Reginald Owens	04/01/14	07/21/16
	Vacancy		

14. Business from the public (5-minute time limit).

15. Council Members reports and/or comments (5-minute time limit).

- Council member Smith
- Council member Graham
- Council member Morris
- Council member Edwards
- Council member Jordan

16. Motion to Adjourn.

President Jordan noted that it was decided at the earlier work session to add Regular Agenda Item 12 (b) Resolution to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Florence, AL and the Alabama Forestry Commission to work jointly to improve the highway entrance to the Alabama Forestry Commission's offices located at 1212 Waterloo Road, sponsored by Mayor Haddock and Regular Agenda Item 12 (c) Resolution to approve a claim filed by Valerie Wesson for an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00, plus the cost of a rental vehicle to be paid from the City's Liability Insurance Fund, sponsored by Bill Musgrove.

There being no further changes, President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the amended agenda. Councilmember Smith moved for approval of the amended agenda.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Blake Edwards
Barry Morris

Noes: None

Message from the Mayor:

Mayor Haddock made comments regarding several events that took place this past holiday weekend in Florence. Mayor Haddock stated that “First Fridays” had the largest attendance on Friday night. Mayor Haddock expressed his appreciation to the departments that were involved with the “Spirit of Freedom” celebration yesterday.

Mayor Haddock asked everyone to continue to pray for Ragan Morris.

Report of Department Heads: None

Report of Standing Committee: None

Public Hearing: None

Business from the Floor Pertaining to Items on the Consent or Regular Agenda: None

Consent Agenda:

President Jordan asked for a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items. Councilmember Graham moved for approval of the ordinances and resolutions as follow, to-wit:

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Blake Edwards
Barry Morris

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented an Ordinance to vacate a portion of the utilities easements at Lots 53 and 54, GlenStone Subdivision, in favor of Reeder Donald and Glenda F. Behel, sponsored by Bill Musgrove. Said Ordinance follows, to wit:

Councilmember Edwards moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Ordinance.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Florence, AL and the Alabama Forestry Commission to work jointly to improve the highway entrance to the Alabama Forestry Commission's offices located at 1212 Waterloo Road, sponsored by Mayor Haddock. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Edwards moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

Councilmember Graham moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Councilmember Graham noted that this is a joint effort with the Forestry Commission purchasing the materials and the City is providing the labor for this project.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve a claim filed by Valerie Wesson for an amount not to exceed \$17,000.00, plus the cost of a rental vehicle to be paid from the City's Liability Insurance Fund, sponsored by Bill Musgrove. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Smith moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

Councilmember Edwards moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Smith seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

City Clerk, Robert M. Leyde, presented a Resolution to approve the operating budget of the Electricity Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, sponsored by Mayor Haddock, Vance Young and Richard Morrissey. Said Resolution follows, to wit:

Councilmember Morris moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Edwards seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

Councilmember Graham moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Morris seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Councilmember Morris noted that Vance Young, Utilities Controller and Richard Morrissey, Electricity Manager, recently met with the Utilities Committee to explain the proposed budget.

Councilmember Graham noted that the proposed budget was very well prepared.

There being no further discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

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Councilmember Smith moved for immediate consideration of the foregoing Resolution.

Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. A vote taken thereon resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

Councilmember Smith moved for adoption of the foregoing Ordinance. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion.

There being no discussion, a vote taken on the motion resulted as follows:

Ayes: Dave Smith
William D. Jordan
Hermon T. Graham
Barry Morris
Blake Edwards

Noes: None

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Business from the Public (5-minute time limit): None

Council Reports and Comments:

Councilmember Smith thanked Mayor Haddock, City Council and City employees for their hard work.

Councilmember Graham thanked all the City employees for making the “Spirit of Freedom” celebration a great event. Councilmember Graham asked for continued prayers for Ragan Morris.

Councilmember Morris noted that the recent High School Bass Fishing Tournament that was held recently put the City of Florence on the map.

Councilmember Edwards thanked all City employees for their hard work and dedication to Florence.

President Jordan asked that everyone continue to pray for Ragan Morris.

Councilmember Edwards presented the closing prayer.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK