

City Hall
Fayette, Alabama
September 9, 2014

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fayette met at 5:00 o'clock, p.m. on September 9, 2014, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Mayor Ray Nelson, Council members Linda McCraw, Mike Hardin, Jason Cowart, Cedric Wilson and David Brand. Also present were City Clerk Dawn Clapp, Police Chief Danny Jenkins, Fire Chief Tony Ellis, City Attorney Dale Lawrence and City Engineer Dewayne Roby.

The opening prayer was given by Mayor Pro Tempore Cedric Wilson

Mayor Nelson announced that a quorum was present and that the meeting was open for the transaction of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Cowart moved that the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 26, 2014, be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Brand, the same was unanimously approved.

PARADE PERMIT

Mayor Nelson presented to the Council a request for parade permit for the FCHS Homecoming Parade to be held on September 26, 2014. Councilmember Cowart moved that the parade permit for the FCHS Homecoming Parade be granted. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the same was unanimously approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Tony Ellis presented the fire report for the month of August. The Fire Department received 29 fire calls. He stated Fire Prevention Week is October 5 - October 11.

Chief Ellis also reported the third part of the Community Risk Reduction Program had started. He stated this phase included providing smoke alarms to homes free of charge.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Danny Jenkins presented the police report for the month of August: 34 incidents investigated; 18 accidents; 112 traffic citations; and 34 arrests.

PROJECT UPDATES

City Engineer Dewayne Roby reported to the Council on the following projects:

1. Sewer Project on 4th and 5th Street. Mr. Roby stated they are waiting for the patch paving to settle before doing the final paving of the streets.
2. Waste Water Project. He stated the painting portion of the project had started. He also reported that within two weeks, the pumping station will be ready at the old Industrial Park.
3. Fayette Center For Manufacturing and Innovation. Mr. Roby stated the partitioning of the incubator section of the building would start soon.

RDS SALES TAX COLLECTION CONTRACT

Mayor Nelson presented a contract with PRA Government Services d/b/a RDS/AlaTax for the collection of the City's sales taxes for the Council to consider. The main change is the amount they will charge per account. The charge will now be \$2.76 instead of \$2.60. After a general discussion, Councilmember Brand moved that the City enter into contract with PRA Government Services d/b/a RDS/AlaTax for the collection of the City's sales taxes for a term of

three (3) years. Upon, the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

RDS BUSINESS LICENSE DISCOVERY/RECOVERY CONTRACT

Mayor Nelson presented a contract with PRA Government Services d/b/a RDS/AlaTax for the collection of the City's business license fees for the Council to consider. After a general discussion, Councilmember Wilson moved that the City enter into contract with PRA Government Services d/b/a RDS/AlaTax for the discovery and recovery of business license fees for a term of three (3) years. Upon, the motion being seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember Cowart moved that the City's financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Wilson, the same was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF PARK & RECREATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Councilmember McCraw moved that the Park & Recreation financial statement be approved. Upon the motion being seconded by Councilmember Brand, the same was unanimously approved.

REPORT OF CITY CLERK

City Clerk Dawn Clapp reported for the month of August, the City received \$220,301.00 in sales tax and \$6,400.00 in alcohol taxes. She stated the alcohol tax collection was low because one of the vendors had not paid yet.

REPORT OF COUNCILMEMBER MCCRAW

Councilmember McCraw reported the Park & Recreation fall sports programs were in full swing. There are two flag football teams, five soccer teams and 80 toy bowl football players.

REPORT OF COUNCILMEMBER HARDIN

Councilmember Hardin stated there was a retirement dinner in honor of Mr. William Brand on Friday, September 5th. Mr. Brand served as the City's Street Department Superintendent for over twenty years.

Mayor Nelson said until plans were finalized, City Engineer Dewayne Roby will be the acting Street Department Superintendent and Marty Weeks, the Assistant Street Department Superintendent.

REPORT OF MAYOR

Mayor Nelson stated that the Grand Opening of the Fayette Center for Manufacturing and Innovation is scheduled for September 22, 2014.

Mayor Nelson also stated the 45th Fayette Arts Festival will be held on September 13, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon the motion to adjourn being made by Councilmember Cowart and seconded by Councilmember McCraw, the same was unanimously approved.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk