

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF HARTSELLE, ALABAMA  
JUNE 26, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Hartselle, Alabama, met in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, inside the Council Chambers at the Hartselle Municipal Building. Council President Kenny Thompson called the meeting to order.

Reverend Alan Host, Pastor of Jubilee Family Worship Center, led the invocation. Mayor Randy Garrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were present for the meeting: Council President Thompson, Council Members Dwight Tankersley, Chuck Gill, Virginia Alexander and Matt Broom, Mayor Randy Garrison, City Attorney Larry Madison, and City Clerk-Controller Rita S. Lee, who also acted as Secretary of the meeting. Having a quorum present, Council President Thompson declared the proceedings open for business.

Council President Thompson called for approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve the minutes; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson then asked Fire Chief, Daryl Fox, to discuss the first item on the agenda, Ordinance 1482. Chief Fox explained to the Council that if adopted, this ordinance would amend Section 42-4(A) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hartselle by deleting “barrels” from excepted burn devices. He also stated it would amend Section 42-4(B) of the Code to correct a clerical error. An addition to Chapter 42 of said Code section, to be enumerated as Section 42-850, providing that the Fire Chief, or his designate personnel, to serve as fire prevention enforcement personnel and the Chief and those designated as law enforcement and investigative personnel have arrest powers for violations of statues, codes and ordinances relating to fire prevention and fire code standards. Chief Fox explained this would not be creating a new position and would not be increasing the liability for the City. After a brief discussion, Council Member Broom motioned to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Ordinance 1482; Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. Council President Thompson called for a roll call vote and the results were as follows:

Council President Thompson: Yes

Council Member Tankersley: Yes

Council Member Gill: Yes

Council Member Alexander: Yes

Council Member Broom: Yes

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council Member Alexander motioned to adopt Ordinance 1482; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson called on Mayor Garrison to discuss Resolution 18-0626. Mayor Garrison explained to the Council that he, along with the Library Board, would like to solicit financial assistance from the Morgan County Commission for the William Bradford Huie Public Library. He also stated that if approved, this resolution would approve his actions in seeking an appropriation of funds to assist with the operation, maintenance and services provided by the William Bradford Huie Library. Council Member Tankersley motioned to approve Resolution 18-0626; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson then asked Mayor Garrison to discuss Resolution 18-0626A. Mayor Garrison stated that he and the Airport Board would also like to solicit financial assistance from the Morgan County Commission for the Hartselle-Morgan County Regional Airport and that if approved, this resolution would approve his actions in seeking an appropriation of funds to assist with the operation, maintenance and services provided by the Hartselle- Morgan County Regional Airport. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve Resolution 18-1626A; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. Motion carried by

unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson called on Andrea Owensby, the new Director of the Hartselle Area Chamber of Commerce, to discuss the Chamber's request for Special Event Permits for the following events:

- 1) Cotton Pickin' BBQ Cook-Off - July 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>
- 2) Depot Days Festival – September 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>
- 3) Christmas Open House – November 4<sup>th</sup>
- 4) Night Market – July 19<sup>th</sup>, August 16<sup>th</sup>, September 20<sup>th</sup>, October 18 and November 15<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Owensby explained that the request for the BBQ Cook-Off was for a different location than in past years, located at 500 Nanceford Road, the bottom parking area at the Sparkman Civic Center. She also mentioned that the Chamber was asking for an exception to the Mobile Food Truck Ordinance so that more than two (2) food trucks could be allowed for the event and as well an exception to the alcohol ordinance to allow alcohol sales on City property. Ms. Owensby also asked for the same exception to the Mobile Food Truck Ordinance for Depot Days as well. She also asked for permission to allow food vendors at the Farmer's Market the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, beginning in July, for a new event called Night Market. She was also requesting the exemption to the Food Truck Ordinance as well to allow more than two (2) food trucks per event. After a brief discussion, Council Member Tankersley motioned to approve the Special Event Permits as requested; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Council Member Gill abstained from the vote.

Council President Thompson then called on City Clerk-Controller, Rita S. Lee, to discuss the next item on the agenda. Ms. Lee explained to the Council that in order to allow the Hartselle Area Chamber of Commerce to sell alcohol at the BBQ Cook-Off, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC) requires written permission to allow alcohol to be sold on City property. She also told the Council that with their approved, the City would execute a lease agreement dated July 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> with the Chamber that would allow them to sub-lease the property located at 500 Nanceford Road S.W. to BBS Back Porch dba Pig Stand, who would set up a beer garden for the sale of alcohol. Council Member Tankersley motioned to approve executing the lease agreement; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson next called on Hartselle Police Chief, Ron Puckett, to discuss his request for a budget adjustment and two budget transfers. Chief Puckett explained he had requested the following budget adjustment and transfer to purchase video cameras for police vehicles and body worn cameras for the officers:

- 1) budget adjustment to Capital Outlay in the amount of \$91,191.00
- 2) budget transfer from Minor Equipment in the amount of \$48,000.00 to Capital Outlay
- 3) budget transfer from Vehicles in the amount of \$18,599.00 to Capital Outlay

Chief Puckett explained the cost of the camera system would be \$148,900.00 with installation fees being \$8,800.00, for a total of \$157,790.00. Council Member Tankersley motioned to approve the budget adjustment and transfers with the transactions made only if the equipment could be invoiced in the current fiscal year; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson then asked Tommy Halbrooks, Public Works Director, to discuss his request for a budget transfer. Mr. Halbrooks told the Council that due to expenses that had exceeded his available budget for drainage repairs needed on Fontana and Springdale Road, he had requested the following:

- 1) budget transfer from Containers in the amount of \$9,750.00 to Drainage
- 2) budget transfer from Heavy Equipment in the amount of \$9,550.00 to Drainage
- 3) budget adjustment in the amount of \$16,720.00 to Drainage

Council Member Alexander motioned to approve the budget transfers and adjustment; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson then asked Tom Chappell, Parks and Recreation Director, to come forward and discuss his request for a budget transfer and a budget adjustment. Mr. Chappell told the Council he had asked for the following:

- 1) budget transfer to Vehicle Maintenance from Supplies for \$1,000.00 and Building and

Grounds for \$1,000.00

- 2) budget adjustment for the \$10,000.00 presented by Senator Orr to be used on recently installed playground equipment and sidewalks at the softball fields

Council Member Gill motioned to approve the budget transfers and adjustment as requested; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson then called on Mayor Garrison again to discuss his request to market the property located at 702 Main Street East. The Mayor explained that in lieu of payment for expenses owed to the City by Timothy D. Danner for expenses incurred for tearing down the dilapidated home at this location, Mr. Danner had recently signed over the piece of property to the City. Mayor Garrison stated that with the Council's permission, the City would place the property up for sale. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve the request to sell the property; Council Member Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

At this time, Council President Thompson announced the City is accepting applications for the following boards:

- 1) Parks & Recreation Board: one (1) expired term, five (5) year appointment
- 2) Central Business District: one (1) expired term, four (4) year appointment
- 3) Personnel Board: one(1) expired term, six (6) year appointment

Applications are available at the City Clerk's office in City Hall or on the City's website. Applications must be turned into the City Clerk's office by 4:00 p.m. on June 29, 2018.

Council President Thompson called for comments from the Mayor, Council Members and the City Attorney. Mayor Garrison mentioned the clearing and cleaning around the Cemetery that was taking place in preparation for a new fence. He also mentioned that he had issued a proclamation in honor of Rev. Junior Hill for his 63 years of service to the ministry. Council Member Gill welcomed the new Chamber Director Andrea Owensby to her first Council Meeting. The other Council Members joined in welcoming Ms. Owensby to the City.

Council President Thompson called for comments from the audience. None were made.

With no other business to come before the Council, Council Member Tankersley motioned to adjourn; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:25.

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Kenny Thompson  
Council President

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Rita S. Lee, City Clerk/Controller