

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on February 8, 2016, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Mayor Bobby Herndon. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Pro Tem Sullivan, Councilman Sims, and Councilman Harper. Absent and failing to vote was Councilwoman Hayes. Also present were City Administrator Scott Collins and Mayor Bobby Herndon.

Northport business owner, Mr. Patel, and Tuscaloosa Board of Education representative, Mr. Danny Higdon, announced a new partnership between C-Mart Gas Station and the Northport Fine Arts Initiative. They explained that they are planning to donate one penny for every gallon of gas sold at their Northport location to the Northport Fine Arts Initiative Program. He anticipated donating approximately \$6,000 - \$8,000 to this program within a year.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Sims to **approve the agenda for the February 8, 2016 Council meeting.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve Ordinance 1893 amending Article III pertaining to lost and stolen property.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve Ordinance 1894 declaring certain real property located at 700 Bridge Avenue and 808 Bridge Avenue as surplus and authorizing the sale of the property.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 16-10 declaring certain items as surplus and authorizing their disposal.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 16-11 declaring certain items as surplus and authorizing their disposal.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve the Consent Agenda for the February 8, 2016 Council Meeting.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, January 19, 2016 Regular Meeting
2. DELETED
3. PO Requisition, Annual Payment for Lifepaks, Physio Control, \$7,862.14 - Fire
4. Travel/Training, Exam Training Class, Consulting Services of Alabama, Tusc. Feb. 9-10th, \$250 - Utilities
5. PO Requisition, Pump and Lift Station Repair, Hunnicutt, Inc., \$5,663.40 - Utilities
6. PO Requisition, Uniforms, McCain Uniforms, \$23,636 - PD
7. Travel/Training, 1 Officer, International Crime Prevention Specialist Training, Feb. 10-12th, Jacksonville, AL \$756.70 - PD
8. Travel/Training, 1 Officer, AR-16-M-16 Armorer Course, Mar. 1-3rd, Columbia, AL \$475 - PD
9. Travel/Training, 1 employee, 2016 Spring Municipal Law Conference, Birmingham, AL \$225 - Legal
10. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Public Safety Media Training, Feb. 25-26th, Mobile, AL \$728.52 - PD
11. PO Requisition, WTP Finished Water Pumping Station Study, Krebs Engineering, \$12,500 – Utilities

12. PO Requisition, WTP Operations Building Modifications Task Order 9, Krebs Engineering, \$48,500 – Utilities
13. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Tyler Technologies Training, Feb. 16-17th, Lubbock, TX \$3,500 - Finance

Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Public Comment:

Mr. Lewis Coleman, Jr. 3902 Biscayne Hills Drive came before Council to discuss the Bridge Avenue Property that was being sold. He wanted to ensure there will be an area for the children to play basketball. President Logan assured him that the basketball area would be re-located so that the children could play.

Mr. Jody Jobson, 1534 Bellwood Lane came before Council to discuss the construction of Glen Crest subdivision. He said there was discussion in the past where the Council prohibited the construction company from using the roadway through Forest Glen neighborhood as a “cut through road” to get to Highway 69. Mr. Jobson said that the construction company is using this road and asked for the Council to look into this. President Logan said he would make sure this is checked into. He also discussed appointing people that do not live in Northport to City Boards. He asked for clarification because he understood that all board members were required to live in Northport. City Administrator Collins clarified that the Civil Service Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission members are required to live in Northport. Mr. Collins also informed Mr. Jobson that the Zoning Board of Adjustment members are not required to live in Northport. Mr. Jobson also asked if there was a radio tower on Lake Lurleen Road and if so, why the Northport Police Department would patrol the area of Lake Lurleen. City Administrator Collins explained that they do so at the request of the Lake Lurleen Agreement. Mr. Jobson asked for a copy of the most recent audit with a list of the salaries of the employees. City Administrator Collins explained that the audit would not include a listing of the salaries. However, at the Council’s direction he would be glad to provide the list to Mr. Jobson. Mr. Jobson also thanked the Council for their promptness on the issue with his drainage ditch. He explained that City Attorney Davis and Public Works Director Starnes discussed the issue with him and said that the city can’t maintain the easement because it would be illegal for them to do so.

Mayor and Council Member’s Business:

Councilwoman Hayes, District 1, absent

President Logan, District 2, thanked Mr. Patel and his family for partnering with the Northport Fine Arts Initiative Program. President Logan also gave an update on the progress of the new Coral Industries facility currently under construction on 64th Avenue and said this will create many jobs for our community. He encouraged everyone to go by and look at the progress of the construction.

President Pro Tem Sullivan, District 3, thanked Mr. Patel and his family for partnering with the Northport Fine Arts Initiative Program.

Councilman Sims, District 4, none

Councilman Harper, District 5, none

Mayor Herndon, expressed his appreciation for the hard work and efforts of all city employees. He also thanked everyone for shopping in Northport and said that the sales tax revenues have increased. Mayor Herndon announced that he would like to see a pay

increase for the next Mayor and said that the deadline for voting on this issue would be the next council meeting. He explained that the next Mayor should have a \$5,000/year transportation allowance to help with the expenses of being Mayor.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to adjourn the meeting.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

Scott Collins, City Administrator