

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on December 15, 2014, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Mayor Herndon. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilman Sullivan, Pro Tem Acker, and Councilman Harper. Also present were City Administrator Scott Collins and Mayor Herndon. Absent and failing to vote was Councilwoman Hayes.

Councilman Sullivan along with Mr. Reed Simmons presented a check from the proceeds of the 'Twas the Night before Christmas 5K Run Event in the amount of \$2,030.00 to the local DHR Office.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve the agenda for the December 15, 2014 Council Meeting.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Acker, **Second** by President Logan to **approve Ordinance 1853 annexing approximately 0.5 acres located at 9405 Cleveland Road.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Acker, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Sullivan, **Second** by President Logan to **approve Ordinance 1854 amending the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to material for Commercial Zones.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes; councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Sullivan, **Second** by President Logan to **approve Ordinance 1855 amending the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to material for Industrial Zones.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Ordinance 1856 amending Section 70-317 pertaining to Identification of Taxicabs.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance Authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications, LLC.

Pro Tem Acker offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance authorizing Conditional Use approval for a gas/service station at the Northwest corner of Mitt Lary Road and Highway 69 N.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 14-119 declaring certain items surplus and authorizing their disposal.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Acker, **Second** by Councilman Sullivan to **approve Resolution 14-120 approving the 2015 General Fund and Water/Wastewater Fund Budgets.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Acker, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve the Consent Agenda for the December 15, 2014 Council Meeting.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, December 1, 2014, Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO Requisition, Asphalt Restoration Company, \$20,000 - Admin

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

City Administrator's Business:

City Administrator Collins expressed his appreciation to Motorola for their \$500 donation to the 'Twas the Night before Christmas Run which benefitted the local DHR office.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve the ABC License for Amigos Grill**. Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Acker, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

Public Comment:

Mr. Kenneth Walters, 4813 Alums Avenue came before council to thank them for approving the budget which included a raise for the employees. He discussed a recent letter printed in *The Tuscaloosa News* that stated Northport should be more like Tuscaloosa. He said that he feels that Northport is moving in the right direction with progressive leadership. He mentioned that the lighting needs to be improved along McFarland Boulevard and hoped that the State would complete that in the near future. Mayor Herndon explained that the state will only fund 50% of road projects and the local government has to provide the other 50% match, unlike in the past where they would provide 80% and the government provided 20%.

Mr. Robert Lewis, 5000 Dove Creek Avenue came before council to commend the Police Department for doing a great job with the recent Run, Hide, Fight Training Class. He also commended the Fire Department for going out into the public and becoming more visible to the community.

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Councilwoman Hayes, District 1, absent

President Logan, District 2, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and encouraged them to donate to the West Alabama Food Bank. He also thanked the Council and staff for a great year.

Councilman Sullivan, District 3, thanked the Fire and Police Department, as well as city staff for their help with the 'Twas the Night before Christmas 5K. He also thanked Mr. Reed Simmons for helping him present the check. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

President Pro Tem Acker, District 4, wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Harper, District 5, wished everyone a Merry Christmas, and said ROLL TIDE!

Mayor Herndon, thanked the staff for doing a great job. He also thanked the Council for approving the budget and was pleased that it included an employee raise. He said he will be praying for the City of Northport in 2015 and encouraged everyone to do the same.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

Scott Collins, City Administrator