The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on April 18, 2016, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Rev. Byron Fair, Associate Pastor from St. Marks United Methodist Church. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilwoman Hayes, Pro Tem Sullivan, Councilman Sims, and Councilman Harper. Also present were Mayor Bobby Herndon, and Charles Swann who called roll.

Mayor Herndon presented a proclamation to Ms. Becky Davis, with the Alabama Organ Center for Donate Life Month.

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve the agenda for the April 18, 2016 Council meeting with the addition of Item 8b6, Resolution Authorizing the Human Resource Director to begin the search for a new City Administrator; Item 8b7, Resolution Ratifying the Payment to Scott Collins; Item 8b8, Resolution Naming an Interim City Administrator; Item 8b9, Resolution Naming an Interim Appointing Authority; Item 8b10, Resolution Naming an Interim City Clerk; Item 8b11, Resolution Naming an interim City Treasurer.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Rev. Byron Fair, Associate Pastor of St. Marks United Methodist Church came before Council to help raise awareness of the Fair Hope Foundation. He explained that he was diagnosed with cancer a few years ago. While recovering, he was able to complete his Master's Degree, and because of that, he established the Fair Hope Foundation. This foundation provides scholarships to young college students affected by cancer and assists them financially and morally, consequently, guiding them to a successful future. Rev. Fair said that the foundation recently presented their first scholarship to a University of Alabama student and he thanked the Council and Mayor for their support.

Mr. Robert Owen addressed Council concerning the resignation of City Administrator Collins. He asked that everyone remember the poor financial condition of the City of Northport eight (8) years ago and to consider the strong financial condition of Northport today. Mr. Owens stated that Mr. Collins is due a substantial amount of credit for this progress and that he has done an outstanding job. Mr. Owen said that as a Northport citizen he will respect the decision of the elected officials, although he strongly disagrees. He said he would hold each of them responsible in finding another loyal and dedicated person to fulfill the City Administrator position.

Motion by Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Sims **to approve Ordinance 1898 Annexing Parcel 2 of Brewer Dean Subdivision, approximately 10.6 acres located on the south side of Union Chapel Road and East of Hwy. 69 N.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Ordinance 1899 Rezoning Parcel 2 of Brewer Dean Subdivision, approximately 10.6 acres located on the South side of Union Chapel Road and East of Hwy. 69 N from AG to C3.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve Ordinance 1900 amending Chapter 22 of the Municipal Code pertaining to the Building Code.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance Declaring Sales Tax Holiday (Back to School).

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance Amending the Northport Municipal Code pertaining to Food Trucks.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-26 terminating the consulting contract with Walker Associates.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan Yes; Councilman Sims, Abstain. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilman Sims **to approve Resolution 16-27 approving the Annual MWPP Report.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilman Sims **to approve Resolution 16-28 approving the use of the DS200 Electronic Vote Counting System.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve Resolution 16-29 authorizing the agreement with ADAAG Consulting Services, LLC for the ADA Transition Plan.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-30 appointing Mr. Collis Wells to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-31 appointing Mr. Turnely Smith to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Abstain. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-32 appointing Mrs. Trudi Anders to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-33 appointing Mrs. Cheryl Rolf to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-34 appointing Dr. Marcy Koontz to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-35 appointing Mrs. Frances Pool to the Northport Historic Preservation Commission.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 16-36 authorizing the Human Resource Director to begin the search for a new City**

Administrator. Councilwoman Hayes asked for clarification of the powers of the position of City Administrator. City Attorney Ron Davis reviewed the City Code pertaining to the position of City Administrator. The Council took this as information. Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan **to approve Resolution 16-37 ratifying the payment to Scott Collins.** City Attorney Davis explained the compensation/severance package that Mr. Collins received in the amount of $131,241.23. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, No; Councilman Sims, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilwoman Hayes **to approve Resolution 16-38 naming Mr. Charles T. Swann as Interim City Administrator.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 16-39 naming Mr. Charles T. Swann as Interim Appointing Authority.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilwoman Hayes to **approve Resolution 16-40 naming Mr. Charles T. Swann as Interim City Clerk.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilwoman Hayes to **approve Resolution 16-41 naming Mr. Charles T. Swann as Interim City Treasurer.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve the Consent Agenda for the April 18, 2016 Council Meeting.** Councilwoman Hayes commented that she would like the Minutes of April 4, 2016 of the regular meeting to be voted on separately because they were missing some information. **President Logan amended his Motion to approve the Consent Agenda for the April 18, 2016 Council meeting with Item No. 1, Minutes of the April 4, 2016 Regular Meeting to be removed from the Consent Agenda and to be voted on separately.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, April 4, 2016 Regular Meeting - **REMOVED**
2. Bill Listing
3. Travel/Training, 2 employees, 1 year Training Membership, Fred Pryor-Career Track, $598 - PW
4. Travel/Training, 1 employee, AMROA Conference, July 27-29th, Orange Beach, AL $777.38 - Revenue
5. PO Requisition, WWTP Emergency Generator Repair, Thompson Tractor, $13,211.67 - Utilities
6. PO Requisition, Repair Pump, Electric Motor Sales & Service, $8,251.25 – Utilities
7. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Schreiber Operator Seminar, June 8-10th, Birmingham, AL $0 – Utilities

8. Travel/Training, 4 employees, Certified Governmental Accounting Technician Program, April 28th, $640 - Finance
9. Travel/Training, 1 PZC member, CAPZO Training, 6 courses, UNA - Admin
10. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Commercial Vehicle Inspection Recertification, April 21st, Birmingham, AL $0 - PD

Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, No; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to approve **Item No. 1, Minutes of the April 4, 2016, Regular Meeting.** Councilman Sims asked Councilwoman Hayes if there was an error in the minutes. Councilwoman Hayes stated that the minutes were incomplete and if it pleases the Council she would like to withhold discussion until the next Council meeting. Council concurred. Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan Yes; Councilman Sims, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Public Comment:
Ms. Dianna Schwab, 2520 5th Street came before Council to discuss the traffic issue along 5th Street. She explained that large trucks are continuing to drive along 5th Street and the roadway is sinking due to these trucks. She said there are also traffic jams on the weekends because people are using 5th Street as a cut-through road. She asked Council to do a traffic survey along 5th Street, have the Police Department enforce the 25 mph. speed limit, and ticket speeders and large trucks. President Logan asked Police Chief Burton to have more police cars monitor the area and ticket those speeding, as well as the large trucks that are not local deliveries to help remedy this problem.

Mayor and Council Member's Business:
Councilwoman Hayes, District 1, expressed her concern regarding the Mayor's accusations of meetings of Council which did not include all members. Such meetings are inappropriate and should be avoided in the future. Councilwoman Hayes stated that in her opinion, an audit of the City's funds was necessary to assure the citizens that the City was in sound financial condition. **Motion by Councilwoman Hayes to employ a certified public accountant for the purpose of conducting an audit of the City's finances. There was no second.** Mayor Herndon stated that the City's auditors, LeCroy and Associates, would begin the annual audit in May and be complete by the end of June. The Council took this as information.

President Logan, District 2, thanked Crestmont Elementary for inviting him to participate in their fundraiser which raised over $1,000 for the PTA. He also thanked Matthews Elementary for allowing him to participate in the "Human Tornado" video project which can be viewed at Tuscaloosa News.com or you can purchase the video at the school. He thanked Police Chief Burton and staff for working with him on the "Safer City" Initiative. He also thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

President Pro Tem Sullivan, District 3, thanked Rev. Byron Fair and his wife, Courtney for attending the meeting and for their commitment to the Fair Hope Foundation.

Councilman Sims, District 4, none

Councilman Harper, District 5, none

Mayor Herndon, thanked all the employees including the Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works for the great job they do. He said that he continues to

receive positive comments from citizens. He said that Northport is a great city and he wants to keep it that way and continue to move forward in a positive direction. He said it's an honor to be the Mayor Northport.

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; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

Charles T. Swann, Interim City Administrator