

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on June 3, 2013 at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Pastor Jeffery Thompson with First Baptist Church of Northport. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilwoman Hayes, Councilman Sullivan, and Councilman Harper. Also present were City Administrator Scott Collins. Absent and failing to vote was Pro Tem Acker.

Mayor Herndon presented a proclamation to Cole Band Instruments for the business of the month for June.

Mayor Herndon presented Ms. Kim Guin, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Guin with Fallen Officer Guin's service weapon and badge.

Mayor Herndon announced that the City of Northport's bond rating had been upgraded from A+ to an AA- by Standard & Poor's which is a financial services company. He thanked the previous Council, the current Council, and the City Administrator for their help in getting the City of Northport in better financial shape. He said the city is thriving with new residences and businesses and he feels it is due to the great employees and the City Council that Northport has.

**Motion** by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilman Sullivan **to approve the Agenda for the June 3, 2013 Council Meeting with the addition of item 8c10, PO Requisition, Travel Reimbursement for Bobby Herndon, \$943.06 and the deletion of item 8b1, Resolution Declaring Certain Items as Surplus and Authorizing their Disposal.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Ordinance 1812 Amending Article VI, Sec. 603.03 (E) Multiple Unit Development.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Mr. Kenneth Walters, 4813 Allums Avenue, addressed the council. He thanked them for being a "transparent" city, and said he feels the City of Tuscaloosa, and Tuscaloosa County is not. He also said he attended the recent Human Resource Director interviews and thought all three (3) candidates were qualified; however he hopes that the Council will strongly consider Mr. Joseph Rose for the position. He said Mr. Rose was born, raised and educated in Northport and he feels that he is very qualified for the position. He said this will be an example for local youngsters that there can be a future for them in Northport.

**President Logan offered for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Ordinance Declaring Sales Tax Holiday.**

**President Logan offered for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Ordinance Allowing Certain Regulated Businesses in C-6 Zone with Distance Separation Provisions.**

**President Logan offered for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Ordinance Establishing By-Laws for Williamson Cemetery.**

**Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 13-45 Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute an Agreement with Burk-Kleinpeter for Engineering Services Related to the Realignment of Union Chapel Road at SR 69 subject to legal approval.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes, Councilman Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilman Sullivan **to approve Resolution 13-46 Declaring Items as Surplus and Authorizing their Disposal.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilwoman Hayes **to approve Resolution 13-47 authorizing the City Administrator to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Tyler Technologies.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes;

Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes.  
**Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Councilwoman Hayes had comments concerning the appointment of the Human Resource Director Position. Councilwoman Hayes said she was impressed with all three (3) candidates, but the one that impressed her most was Joseph Rose, due to his experience, education, background, and presentation during the interview process. If the Council chooses to select Mr. Rose this will show students and citizens that they can stay here, live here, work here and the City of Northport is willing to hire them.

**Motion** by Councilwoman Hayes, **Second** by President Logan to **approve Resolution 13-48 appointing Joseph Rose as Human Resources Director.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilwoman Hayes, Yes, President Logan, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve the Consent Agenda for the May 20, 2013 Council Meeting.**

**Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes, May 20, 2013, Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Exceptional Customer Service, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, Tusc., AL \$199 - PW
4. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Dealing with Difficult People, July 19<sup>th</sup>, Tuscaloosa, AL \$99 - Finance
5. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Finance & Accounting for Non-Financial People, July 24<sup>th</sup>, Tuscaloosa, AL – Finance
6. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Strengthening Your People Skills in the Workplace, June 20<sup>th</sup>, Birmingham, AL \$258 – PW
7. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Coaching & Mentoring Skills for Leadership Success, June 27<sup>th</sup>, Birmingham, AL \$258 – PW
8. Travel/Training, 3 employees, Building a Positive, Motivated & Cooperative Team, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, Birmingham, AL \$387 – PW
9. PO Requisition, 2 replacement vehicles, Ben Atkinson Ford, Stivers Ford, \$49,000 – Admin
10. PO Requisition, travel reimbursement, Bobby Herndon, \$943.06 - Admin

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

**City Administrators Business:**

**Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **move the July Council Meeting dates to July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and July 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilwoman Hayes, Yes; Councilman Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Departmental Business:**

City Administrator Collins presented a report for the Human Resource Department.

Charles Swann presented a report for the Engineering Department.

Flora Gay presented a report for the Planning/Zoning/Inspections Department.

Brooke Starnes presented a report for the Public Works Department.

Michael Ramm presented a report for the Information Technology Department.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Kenneth Walters, 4813 Allums Avenue, praised Michael Ramm in the Information Technology Department for doing a great job with the city's web-site, and said he appreciates the Mayor and Council and the job they do.

Ms. Deloris Whitfield, spoke on behalf of her sister, Ms. Annette Whitfield, who lives at 904 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue concerning neighborhood issues that she discussed at the May 20th Council meeting. She said the city did put up the dead end signs, but nothing else has been addressed, and there are still several abandon vehicles, tarps between houses, and windows that are boarded up. President Logan thanked Ms. Whitfield for addressing the council and said that the staff has sent out letters to the property owners regarding the concerns with the houses and abandoned vehicles. He explained the process the city has to take to remedy these problems, and he assured her that these issues will be taken care of.

**Mayor & Council Member's Business:**

**Mayor Herndon**, said to keep the Guin family in your prayers. He also invited everyone to attend a concert at the Open Door Baptist Church this Friday night. He said The Kingsman Quartet will be performing with the proceeds going to the Oklahoma Tornado Relief Effort.

**Councilwoman Hayes, District 1**, said they are continuing to monitor the speed and traffic on 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue as well as 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The Police Department is conducting radar in that area. She said with the children being out of school, it is very important to control the traffic in that area.

**President Logan, District 2**, Congratulated Mr. Joseph Rose on being appointed as the Human Resource Director. He also announced that Riverside High School Reunion Classes along with the Tuscaloosa Training School will be having their bi-annual celebration beginning on June 27<sup>th</sup> through June 29<sup>th</sup>. Some of the festivities will be at the Northport Community Center and at Collins-Riverside Jr. High School. There will also be a parade on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Collins-Riverside Jr. High School and he invited everyone to attend.

**Councilman Sullivan, District 3**, None

**President Pro Tem Acker, District 4**, Absent

**Councilman Harper, District 5**, None

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

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Scott Collins, City Administrator