

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on August 15, 2011 at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Mayor Herndon. Mayor Herndon also led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Tunnell, Pro Tem Logan, Councilman Webb, Councilman Acker, and Councilman Harper. Also present were City Administrator Scott Collins and Mayor Herndon.

Mayor Herndon presented a Proclamation to Ms. Molly Brooke Threadgill, Flatwoods Elementary Art Teacher, and thanked her for her diligent work as a Fine Arts Instructor in the Tuscaloosa County School System.

Motion by Councilman Webb, **Second** by Pro Tem Logan to **approve the Agenda for the August 15, 2011 Council Meeting**. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Webb, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Acker, **Second** by Pro Tem Logan to **approve Ordinance 1757 Amending and establishing speed limits along all US & Alabama Highways within the city limits of Northport**. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Acker, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Pro Tem Logan offered **1st Reading, Ordinance annexing property into city limits located at 6375 McFarland Blvd.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 11-79 appointing poll workers for the August 23, 2011 Special Referendum**. Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Pro Tem Logan, to **approve Resolution 11-80 authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract amendment with Metro Animal Shelter, the City of Tuscaloosa, and Tuscaloosa County**. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Webb, **Second** by Councilman Acker to **approve Resolution 11-81 declaring certain items in the Fire Department as surplus and authorizing their disposal**. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 11-82 declaring weeds on a certain property within the City of Northport a nuisance at 1719 19th Street**. Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 11-83 declaring weeds on certain property within the City of Northport a nuisance at 1609 12th Street**. Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper to **approve Resolution 11-84 declaring weeds on certain property within the City of Northport a nuisance at 1700 block of 19th Street**. Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 11-85 declaring weeds on certain property within the City of Northport a nuisance at 3015 5th Street.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper **to approve Resolution 11-86 declaring weeds on certain property within the City of Northport a nuisance at 1618 29th Avenue.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Webb **to approve Resolution 11-87 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a Cooperative Agreement between the City, the City of Tuscaloosa, and the Chamber of West Alabama for E-Cycle Day.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Webb, **to approve the Consent Agenda for the August 15, 2011 Council Meeting.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, August 1, 2011 Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO, for Potable Water Pump, WTP, \$10,200 - Engineering

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

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Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper, **to approve Resolution 11-88 ordering the abatement of weeds nuisance at 2505 5th Street.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Acker, **Second** by Councilman Webb **to approve a special called meeting at 12 noon on Tuesday, August 30, 2011 in order to canvass the returns of the Sunday Alcohol Sales Referendum.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Harper, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Councilman Acker **to reschedule the Monday, September 5, 2011 Council meeting until September 6, 2011.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Tunnell opened the floor for public comments. Mr. James Blake appeared before the Council and discussed his attempt to receive his business license. He explained that he moved his business to 1804 Lurleen Wallace Blvd. in Northport and has

tried to receive his license for approximately 2 weeks. He said there was an incident where he opened unlawfully for approximately 2 hours when a customer came into the shop. The Police Department came to his business and said he was operating without a city business license. He stated that he would go to the City the next morning to get his business license. City Administrator Scott Collins said he will further investigate this situation and find out what the problem is.

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Councilman Webb, District 1, none

President Pro Tem Logan, District 2, none

President Tunnell, District 3, none

Councilman Acker, District 4, none

Councilman Harper, District 5, none

Mayor Herndon discussed the first meeting of the Northport Beautiful Task Force. He said there were approximately 30 people that attended the meeting and had great suggestions on how to make our city more attractive. Mayor Herndon also discussed the Department of Mental Health is in the process of layoffs. Tuscaloosa County alone will be losing approximately 530 jobs, and he said that is not good for the economy or the mental health patient. His thoughts and prayers are with the patients, as well as the workers affected by the lay off. Mayor Herndon said he had the privilege of being part of the India Independence Day celebration, and wanted to wish them a Happy Independence Day today. The Mayor also encouraged everyone to vote on August 23rd.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

William Tunnell, President

ATTEST:

Scott Collins, City Administrator