

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on August 1, 2011 at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Colton Tunnell. Drew Johnson 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 Northport Auto Sales for the Business of the Month for August.

Motion by Councilman Logan, **Second** by Councilman Webb to **approve the Agenda for the August 1, 2011 Council Meeting.** 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.**

Visitors to address the Council: Tuscaloosa Mayor Walt Maddox and the City Council thanked the Northport City Council and staff for their help during the April 27th tornado. Mayor Maddox said they lost 12% of Tuscaloosa and would not have survived without the help of Northport, and will never adequately be able to show their appreciation to Northport.

Tuscaloosa County Probate Judge Hardy McCollum also thanked the Northport City Council, Mayor and staff for working hand in hand to help build our community, and being a partner with the City of Tuscaloosa, as well as Tuscaloosa County to help improve the quality of life for the citizens.

Councilman Acker offered **1st Reading, Ordinance Amending and Establishing Speed Limits along all U.S. and Alabama Highways within the City Limits of Northport.**

Motion by Councilman Harper, **Second** by Pro Tem Logan to **approve Resolution 11-77 awarding the bid for Bid File 11-14 to the low bidder, Warrior Tractor and Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$61,094 and authorize the City Administrator to execute the purchase requisition.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Harper, Yes; Pro Tem Logan, Yes; Councilman Acker, Yes; Councilman Webb, Yes; President Tunnell, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Webb, **Second** by Councilman Acker to **approve Resolution 11-78 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement for engineering services with Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc. for the development of the Northport Geographic Information System.** 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 the Consent Agenda for the August 1, 2011 Council Meeting.**

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Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, July 18, 2011 Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO, Alabama League of Municipalities, Annual Dues, \$6,506.87 – Admin
4. Emergency PO to Schreiber Equipment, \$11,894 - Wastewater Treatment Plant - Engineering
5. Travel/Training - 2 Employees to attend Construction Zone Flagger Training, Pelham, AL \$250 – PW
6. Travel/Training – 1 Employee to attend Loss Control Seminar, Muscle Shoals, AL \$20.00 – HR

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

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Councilman Webb, District 1, none

President Pro Tem Logan, District 2 said the Southeast Drainage Project is 80% complete on the easement acquisition portion of the project.

President Tunnell, District 3, none

Councilman Acker, District 4, none

Councilman Harper, District 5, none

Mayor Herndon would like to begin an organizational meeting to help make the city more attractive, and it will be called Northport Beautiful Task Force. The first meeting will be August 9th at 6:00 pm at City Hall. He asked the Council if they had a recommendation for the task force, to please let him know. He also wanted to thank Tuscaloosa Mayor and City Council for coming to the meeting. Mayor Herndon also mentioned a letter to the editor that was printed in the Tuscaloosa News concerning group homes. He said that we have to take care of our constituents and he felt like the letter should have been directed toward the State Mental Health Board.

City Administrator Scott Collins said he served as a Tuscaloosa Police Officer for approximately 5 years and it was a privilege to work with Chief Steve Anderson the night of the tornado and it spoke volumes for not only the city, but also the Police Chief. He also wanted to thank the FEMA Representatives, for all the work they have done for Northport, the City of Tuscaloosa, as well as Tuscaloosa County. There will be a reception following the Council meeting as a token of our appreciation for the City of Tuscaloosa.

Motion by Pro Tem Logan, **Second** by Councilman Harper, **to adjourn the meeting.** Roll call vote was as follows: 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.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

William Tunnell, President

ATTEST:

Scott Collins, City Administrator