

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on August 21, 2017, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Interim City Administrator Bruce Higginbotham. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: Councilman Boozer, President Logan, Pro Tem Sullivan, Councilman Davis, and Councilman Hogg. Also present was Mayor Aaron and Interim City Administrator Bruce Higginbotham.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve the agenda for the August 21st Council meeting with the addition of item 8c6 PO Requisition, Emergency Garbage Truck Repair, Ingram Equipment, \$8,584.23 – PW.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Mr. Douglas Blake Hunnicutt, Ms. Molly Parrish, and Mr. Ryan Johnson, representing People First of Tuscaloosa came before Council requesting public transportation in Northport. They explained that public transportation would help them be more independent and get them back and forth to their jobs. President Logan thanked them for attending the meeting and said that he does see a need for public transportation in Northport. He proposed that the City Administrator's Office conduct a cost study which will include potential cost, routes, and transportation providers so that the Council and Mayor can review.

President Logan opened the floor for a Public Hearing Ordering Demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1922 14th Avenue.

There were no public comments.

President Logan closed the floor for the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilman Boozer, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Ordinance 1935 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1922 14th Avenue.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Boozer, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes. **Motion carried Unanimously.**

President Logan opened the floor for a Public Hearing Ordering Demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1313 20th Avenue.

Ms. Gena Dancer, 3212 8th Street, Tuscaloosa came before Council requesting the demolition be deferred for 90 days so that the property can be sold.

There was discussion concerning deferring the demolition for ninety (90) days.

President Logan closed the floor for the Public Hearing.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **grant a ninety (90) day extension for the 2nd Reading of the Ordinance authorizing the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1313 20th Avenue.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Logan opened the floor for a Public Hearing Ordering Demolition of an unsafe structure located at 2102 10th Street.

There were no public comments.

President Logan closed the floor for the Public Hearing.

Motion by Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Ordinance 1936 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 2102 10th Street.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **adopt Resolution 17-78 authorizing a Special Permit, to the Kentuck Association to allow for the possession, sale, and consumption of craft beer in Kentuck Park on October 21st and 22nd, 2017, for the Kentuck Arts Festival.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, No. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Councilman Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **approve the Consent Agenda for the August 21, 2017 Council Meeting with the addition of item 8c6, PO Requisition, Emergency Garbage Truck Repair, Ingram Equipment, \$8,584.23 – PW.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, August 7, 2017, Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. Travel/Training, 1 employee, CMO 2017 Regional Training, Sept. 14th, Alabaster, AL \$125.00 - Legal
4. PO Requisition, Audit Expenses, LeCroy, Hunter & Co., \$10,000.00 - Finance
5. Travel/training, 2 employees, 2017 Alabama Water Resources Conf. & AL Section of AWRA Symposium, Sept. 6-8th, Orange Beach, AL \$1,872.16 - Engineering
6. PO Requisition, Emergency Garbage Truck Repair, Ingram Equipment, \$8,584.23 - PW

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

City Administrator's Business:

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adjust the September Council Meetings to Monday, September 11th, and Monday, September 18th due to the Labor Day Holiday.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Departmental Business: Legal Department

Mr. Davis explained that the Northport Municipal Code is current through June 30, 2017 and explained that we recently received Supplement No. 1. He thanked the City Council and Ms. Kim Braughton for their help with the update. He said the Code will be updated every six (6) months.

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Councilman Hogg to **approve Claim No. 17-31 in the amount of \$968.71.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Hogg to **approve Claim No. 17-46 in the amount of \$1,396.08.** Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Public Comment:

Mr. Woodrow Washington, 3725 28th Avenue, Northport came before Council concerning the status on a decision for the lease of the Hasson Center. Mr. Washington explained that he has met with some of the Council and would like to lease the Hasson

Center for a Non-Profit Organization, Academics in Motion. Mr. Washington said this program would offer tutoring, and athletic camps for underprivileged kids. He asked the Council for a decision as to whether he would be able to lease and/or purchase the building, or purchase for this program. President Logan explained that Councilman Boozer would need to be filled in on the details of the lease before a decision is made. There was discussion and Councilman Boozer and Mr. Washington will meet on the details so that a decision can be made.

Mayor and Council Member's Business:

Councilman Boozer, District 1, none

President Logan, District 2, thanked everyone from People First of Tuscaloosa for attending the meeting and discussing the Public Transportation. President Logan announced that the Pre-Engineering Contracts for the Martin Luther King Jr. Improvements Project have been approved and signed by ALDOT. He explained that BKI, Inc. will begin working on the initial design work and thanked the Mayor and Council for being progressive with this project.

President Pro Tem Sullivan, District 3, none

Councilman Davis, none

Councilman Hogg, District 5, said that the Retail Development Committee recently met and have some potential development for Northport in the near future and said that hopefully he can give out more information soon.

Mayor Aaron, none

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hogg, **to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:50 pm to discuss the potential sale of city property, retail development, and potential litigation involving the city. The session should take no longer than one hour and thirty minutes and the Council will take no action after the Executive Session is concluded.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hogg, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Council reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

Bruce Higginbotham, Interim City Administrator