

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on November 20, 2017, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by President Logan. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilman Boozer, Pro Tem Sullivan, Councilman Davis, and Councilman Hogg. Also present was Mayor Aaron and City Administrator Bruce Higginbotham.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **approve the agenda for the November 20, 2017, Council meeting with the addition of item 8c10 – Travel/Training, 1 employee, Plans Examiner I Training, Dec. 4-8th, Tuscaloosa, AL \$245.00 – Planning/Inspections.** 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.**

Visitors to Address the Council:

Santa Claus addressed the council and invited everyone to the 42nd Annual West Alabama Christmas Parade on Monday, December 4th.

President Logan welcomed the Wildcat Youth Cheer Team who recently participated in the WAFA Cheer Competition. The Pee Wee group won third place, the Rookie group won first place and the Junior group won first place in the competition. Ms. Feelings, Cheer Director thanked the Mayor and Council for their support throughout the season. The team performed a cheer for everyone.

Mr. Quinton Kelly, SGA President, Stillman College, offered greetings to the City Council on behalf of SGA.

Motion by Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Ordinance 1942 amending the Municipal City Code Section 34-31 pertaining to Fiscal Year which will change the fiscal year to begin on October 1st each year, beginning October 1, 2018.** 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 Pro Tem Sullivan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Ordinance 1943 repealing the Municipal Code Section 34-34.3 pertaining to Reserve Fund.** 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.**

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance declaring Sales Tax Holiday (Severe Weather).

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance amending Chapter 42 of the Municipal Code pertaining to Solid Waste.

Councilman Davis offered for 1st Reading, Resolution accepting Municipal Improvements for Bristol Park Ph. II.

Councilman Davis offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance rezoning property from RS-11 to RM-2 and C-2 on the SW corner of 28th Street and 20th Avenue.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **adopt Resolution 17-105 awarding the bid for Oil Products (Bid File No. 17-12) to W.H. Thomas Oil Co., the lowest bidder meeting specifications, and to authorize the City Administrator to approve as needed, all purchase requisitions for oil products using the unit prices from said bid file.** 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Resolution 17-106 awarding the bid for Heavy Duty Auto Parts (Bid File No. 17-14) to Southland International Trucks, Inc. the lowest bidder meeting specifications, and authorize the City Administrator to approve, as needed, all purchase requisitions for Heavy**

Duty Auto Parts using the prices from said bid file. 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Resolution 17-107 awarding the bid for Light Duty Auto Parts (Bid File No. 17-15) to Northport Auto Supply, the lowest bidder meeting specifications, and authorize the City Administrator to approve, as needed, all purchase requisitions for Light Duty Auto Parts using the prices from said bid file.** 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Resolution 17-108, awarding the bid for Misc. Auto Parts (Bid File No. 17-13) to Northport Auto Supply, the lowest bidder meeting specifications and authorize the City Administrator to approve, as needed, all purchase requisitions for Misc. Auto Parts from said bid file.** 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Resolution 17-109 awarding the bid for Automotive Batteries (Bid File No. 17-11) to Northport Auto Supply, the lowest bidder meeting specifications, and authorize the City Administrator to approve, as needed, all purchase requisitions for Automotive Batteries using the prices from said bid file.** 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.**

Motion by Councilman Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Resolution 17-110 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement between the City of Northport Fire Rescue and Dr. William E. Crawford, M.D. to serve as Medical Director as required by Rule Number 420-2-1-.05(5)(h) and authorize the City Administrator to approve the purchase requisition.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Hogg, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Boozer Yes; President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hogg to **adopt Resolution 17-111 declaring certain items as surplus and authorizing their disposal.** 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hogg to **adopt Resolution 17-112 accepting Change Order No. 2 for the Water Treatment Plant Building Improvements in the additional amount of \$253.00 and authorize the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents and approve the purchase requisitions needed to proceed with this project.** 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.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **adopt Resolution 17-113 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a contract with BKI, Inc. in the amount of \$602,070.00 for Engineering Services for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Road Improvement Project and to authorize the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents and requisitions pertaining to said project with the City of Tuscaloosa reimbursing the City of Northport in the amount of \$193,227.00.** 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.**

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Councilman Hogg to **adopt Resolution 17-114 authorizing Friends of Historic Northport to open Shirley Place for tours of the top floor during Dickens Downtown.** 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 Councilman Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Davis, to **adopt Resolution 17-115 authorizing the Human Resource Department to take the necessary steps to begin the search for a permanent I.T. Director to include external applicants.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Hogg, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Boozer to **approve the Consent Agenda for the November 20, 2017 Council Meeting with the addition of item 8c10 – Travel/Training, 1 employee, Plans Examiner I Training, Dec. 4-8th, Tuscaloosa, AL \$245.00 – Planning/Inspections.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, November 6, 2017, Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO Requisition, 2018 Member Dues, West Alabama Regional Commission, \$9,332.00 - Admin
4. PO Requisition, ROW Land Purchase for Union Chapel Road Realignment Project, Epperson Tract, \$9,660.00 - Legal
5. PO Requisition, Asphalt Repairs to Huntington Gardens, Mallory Burkhalter Paving, \$5,400.00 - Utilities
6. PO Requisition, Emergency Rental & Installation of By-pass Pump for PS No. 2, Double Diamond Construction Co., Inc. \$11,356.00 - Utilities
7. PO Requisition, In-House Consulting Services, Varnon Engineering, \$3,852.50 - Engineering
8. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Traffic Control Programming Workshop, Jan. 9-11th, Decatur, AL \$690.00 - PW
9. Travel/Training, 1 employee, The Green Infrastructure: Planning, Design, and Implementation Conf., Dec. 1st, Tuscaloosa, AL \$275.00 - Engineering
10. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Plans Examiner I Training, Dec. 4-8th, Tuscaloosa, AL \$245.00 - Planning

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.**

Reports of Special Committees of Council:

Councilman Boozer announced that the Administrative Committee meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, November 28th at 3:30 pm here at City Hall.

Departmental Business:

Motion by Councilman Boozer, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **move the regularly scheduled December 4th Council Meeting to Wednesday, December 6th at noon with no pre-meeting. The December 18th meeting will remain the same with the pre-meeting at 5:00 pm and the regular meeting at 6:00 pm.** 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.**

Motion by Councilman Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **approve the ABC License for Dolgencorp, LLC dba Dollar General Store No. 9118**. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Sullivan, Yes; Councilman Boozer, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Public Comment:

Ms. Elizabeth Graham, 1015 Mockingbird Lane, Northport came before Council in opposition of the Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Road Improvement Project.

Mr. Stephen Schwab, 2520 5th Street, Northport, came before Council to discuss a community emergency training program. Mr. Schwab explained that this training teaches communities the skills of how to react during emergency situations, and he urged everyone to participate. He also discussed traffic problems on 5th Street and asked for an update on recycling in Northport. President Logan explained that the Public Works Department is in the process of working on a new recycling program.

Mr. Jody Jobson, 1534 Bellwood Lane, came before Council to discuss whether or not Warrior Baseball has been paying sales tax on their concessions to the City of Northport. He asked the Council to consider looking into the matter.

Mayor and Council Member's Business:

Councilman Boozer, District 1, wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

President Logan, District 2, thanked Ms. Graham for expressing her concerns with the Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Road Improvement Project. He asked her to give her contact information to Mr. Craig Williams, with BKI, Inc. so that he could give her more details on the project. He also thanked Mr. Kelly and Mr. Martin representing Stillman College SGA for attending the meeting. President Logan expressed his appreciation to the Mayor and Council for moving forward with the Martin Luther King Jr. Road Improvement Project. President Logan wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

President Pro Tem Sullivan, District 3, thanked Mayor and Council for approving the change to the Fiscal Year Budget and said this will be a benefit financially to the City for years to come. He also announced that on Friday, December 1st at 7:00 pm. the City of Northport will host the fourth annual 'Twas the Night Before Christmas 5K, and encouraged everyone to participate. He said that all proceeds will benefit the local DHR. Pro Tem Sullivan wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Davis, wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Hogg, District 5, none

Mayor Aaron, wished everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. She also offered her condolences to the family of Mr. Bob Lake due to his recent death.

President Logan expressed his appreciation to everyone who attended the recent forum concerning the new school in Northport. He said he felt like the meeting was productive.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Pro Tem Sullivan to **adjourn the meeting**. 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.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

Bruce Higginbotham, City Administrator