

The regular Called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 5:30 p.m. on June 22nd, 2020, at Northport City Hall, in the Council Chambers located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilman Roberts, Councilman Hinton, Councilman Davis, and Pro Tem Hogg. Also, present, Interim City Administrator Hardy McCollum. Mayor Aaron was absent from tonight's meeting.

The meeting was conducted pursuant to Governor Ivey's March 18th proclamation adhering to all safe social distancing practices. Temperatures were taken at the door and seats were placed at least 6 feet apart.

Mr. Chuck Gerdau representing Friends of Historic Northport gave a presentation on how the remodeling project at the Shirley House was coming along. He showed pictures of the renovations that have taken place.

Motion Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Hinton to approve the agenda for June 22, 2020. Roll call vote was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Mr. Roy May, 2606 Deerhaven Lane, Northport, AL, addressed Council with his concerns and dissatisfaction with an incidence that happened over a piece of his property. Mr. May informed the Council about a basketball that was picked up by Public Works. This incident has already been presented to the Claims Committee and was denied. Mr. May is still upset about this situation and explained to the Council the events leading up to his goal being picked up. Mr. Davis, the City Attorney, suggested Mr. May resubmit the claim and have it go before the Claims Committee once again.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Roberts **to adopt Ordinance 2045 granting the request for Rezoning of 3.07 acres from RS-3 and AG to RS-3 and C-3 located on Robert Cardinal Road.** Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hinton, **Second** by Councilman Davis **to approve Resolution 20-40 fixing the cost of demolition and authorizing the filing of a lien for property located at 4501 Lakeshore Drive, Northport, AL.** Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis **to approve Resolution 20-41 fixing the cost of demolition and authorizing the filing of a lien for property located at 1203 12th Street, Northport, AL.** Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Councilman Hinton offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance amending the Northport Municipal Code pertaining to Automatic Step Raises.

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Permanent Resolution Fixing the Cost of Demolition and Authorizing the Filing of a lien at 1203 12th Street.

President Logan opened the floor for a Public Hearing Concerning Consideration of Revenue Sharing Arrangement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Sleep Inn.

President Logan closed the floor for a Public Hearing Concerning Consideration of Revenue Sharing Arrangement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Sleep Inn.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to suspend the rules in order to immediately consider authorizing the tax revenue sharing and incentive agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Shopping Center, LLC. Roll call was as follows: Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Councilman Hinton to approve Resolution 20-42 authorizing the tax revenue sharing and incentive agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Shopping Center, LLC. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to suspend the rules in order to immediately consider authorizing the issuance of the series 2020- _____ limited obligation certificate of indebtedness of the City of Northport, Alabama and approving other financing matters, including the filing of a validation lawsuit with regard to that certain tax revenue sharing and incentive agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Shopping Center, LLC. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Councilman Roberts to approve Resolution 20-43 authorizing the issuance of the series 2020- _____ limited obligation certificate of indebtedness of the City of Northport, Alabama and approving other financing matters, including the filing of a validation lawsuit with regard to that certain tax revenue sharing and incentive agreement by and between the City of Northport, Alabama and Shopping Center, LLC. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Pro Tem Hogg to approve Resolution 20-44 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Alabama Power Company and approve any requisition to said agreement. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hinton, **Second** by Councilman Roberts approving Resolution 20-45 authorizing the Northport Police Department to enter into a subgrant agreement with Alabama Law Enforcement Agency and authorize the City Administrator to execute all paper-work pertaining to said agreement. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** Councilman Roberts to approve Resolution 20-46 authorizing an agreement with CitizenServe for new permitting and licensing software and authorize the City Administrator to execute all paperwork and approve all requisitions to said agreement. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hinton, **Second** by Councilman Roberts to approve **Resolution 20-47** appointing the Mayor's designee, Warren H. McCollum, Election Manager, Whitney DuBose, an Absentee Election Manager, Carrie Cameron, and an Election Committee consisting of Kim Braughton, Jordan Brown, and Darren McGee, and Ron Davis to assist with the upcoming 2020 Municipal Elections. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Abstained. **Motion Carried.**

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Roberts to approve **Resolution 20-48** appointing Kevin Almond as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Roberts, **Second** by Councilman Hinton to approve **Resolution 20-49** appointing Jamie Conger as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Roberts, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Roberts to approve **Resolution 20-50** appointing Jheovanny Gomez as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hinton, **Second** by Pro Tem Hogg to approve **Resolution 20-51** appointing Bruce Higginbotham as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes, and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Davis to approve **Resolution 20-52** appointing Ricky Sherrod as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Roberts, **Second** by Pro Tem Hogg to approve **Resolution 20-53** appointing Steve Steele as a voting member to the Northport Redevelopment Authority's Board of Directors with a term expiring on June 30, 2026 with a possibility of staggering of terms. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Roberts, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Roberts to **approve Resolution 20-54 appointing three (3) Ex-Officio Members to Northport Redevelopment Authority; whomever is serving in the capacity of the Mayor of Northport, Northport's City Council President, and Northport's Development Coordinator will serve as these non-voting members.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Roberts, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Hinton, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **approve the Consent Agenda for the June 22, 2020 Council Meeting.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, June 8, 2020, Regular Meeting,
2. Bill Listing
3. Travel/Training, 1 employee, 2020 Fall Municipal Law Conference, September 24-26, 2020, Gulf Shores, AL, \$990.00- Legal
4. Travel/Training, 2 employees, CTS Less Lethal School, August 25-28, 2020, Tuscaloosa, AL, \$1,590.00-PD
5. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Communications Training Officer Instructors School September 21-25, 2020, Northport, AL, \$459.00-PD
6. Travel/Training, 5 employees, Water/Wastewater Certification Training, Consulting Services of Alabama, June 23-24, 2020, \$1,625.00-Utilities
7. PO Requisition, Sodium Bisulfite for WWTP, Southern Ionics, Inc., \$5,500.00-Utilities
8. PO Requisition, Recycling Bins, Busch Systems, \$19, 984.03- PW
9. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Swift Water Class, June 25-26, 2020, Prattville, AL, \$178.50-FD
10. PO Requisition, GIS Planning Site Selection & Business Data Program, \$5,000.00-Admin

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

Reports to Special Committees to Council:

Councilman Roberts reported that the City's finances is projecting to be about 1 million short than that of last year. Not seeing that many water and sewer customers who are not being able to pay their bills. Most of the customers that have experienced hardships have been in contact with the Water and Sewer Office. Recommending that the City hold 1 million out of the 1-cent sales tax in reserves due to the uncertainty of the future. 60% of our revenue is from Sales Tax. If we lose those businesses, we lose that stream of revenue. The City is doing everything within its power to keep its cost down.

Councilman Roberts also suggested streamlining down to 3 buckets instead of 4, due to two of the buckets overlapping. He also stated that once funds are committed to a project, funds cannot be decommitted. It can go towards general fund.

City Administrator's Business:

Mr. McCollum mentioned the annual Alabama League of Municipalities Business Session is to be held on July 23, 2020 at 3:00 pm at the Renaissance Hotel in Montgomery. He stated the deadline to send in voting delegates' information is July 8, 2020. There will need to be a vote on July 6, 2020.

Public Comment:

Takita Carpenter, 508 Kirkwood Drive, addressed Council concerning flooding in her neighborhood. She stated the flooding is from a creek located from behind her home. President Logan stated our storm drain department would need to come and assess the situation. Mr. McCollum assured Ms. Carpenter that the City would do everything it can do, legally, to help resolve the situation.

Denita McCottrey, 404 Kirkwood Drive, addressed the Council with the same issues Ms. Takita Carpenter mentioned. She stated that flooding is a major issue behind her home. She stated that it looks like the creek is being stopped up. President Logan stated the City needs to check lot lines and some other things to see what the City can do.

Tamaria Madison, 4412 Northwood Lake Drive West, came before Council with a drainage issue in her front yard. She stated a plumber came and said the drain in her front yard needed to be cleaned and that was a City issue. President Logan stated that Ms. Starnes' office would be in touch with Ms. Madison to try and get the issue resolved.

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Mayor Aaron, Absent

Councilman Roberts, District 1, No Business

President Logan, District 2, No Business

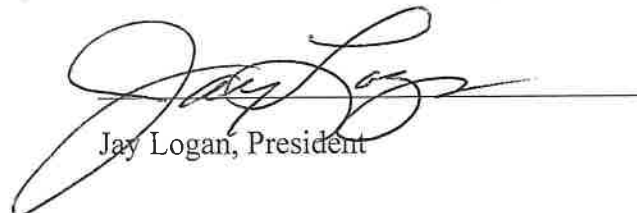
Councilman Hinton, District 3, No Business

Councilman Davis, District 4, No Business

Pro Tem Hogg, District 5, No Business

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56p.m.


Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:



W. Hardy McCollum, Interim City Administrator