The regular Called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 5:30 p.m. on October 5, 2020, at Northport City Hall, in the Council Chambers 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, Councilwoman Bobo, Councilman Hinton, Councilman Davis, and Pro Tem Hogg. Also, present, Interim City Administrator Hardy McCollum and Mayor Aaron.

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, seats were placed at least 6 feet apart, and masks for all in attendance were required.

Max Snyder, Development Coordinator, updated Mayor and Council on the progress of the Northport Redevelopment Authority.

Motion Councilman Hinton, Second by Pro Tem Hogg to approve the agenda for October 5, 2020. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Ms. Jamie Dykes, 4015 Frontier Street, Northport, Alabama, candidate for District 4, thanked the Mayor and Council for their service. She also thanked all of the voters that turned out for the general election on August 26, 2020. She also encouraged the citizens of Northport to come out to the polls on October 6 to vote in the run-off election. She also stated she was looking forward to watching and being a part of Northport’s growth.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Davis to adopt Ordinance 2051 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1103 1/2 Bridge Avenue. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilwoman Bobo to adopt Ordinance 2052 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 2109 19th Street. The Council is granting a 60 day extension for this demolition depending on the request for variance from the ZBA. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Pro Tem Hogg to adopt Ordinance 2053 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 4520 Magnolia Lane. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Davis to adopt Ordinance 2054 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 3932 28th Avenue. Along with a demolition permit already been issued, the demolition has been completed at this address. Clean-up work at this address has yet to be completed. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Hinton to adopt Ordinance 2055 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 3611 14th Avenue. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Hinton, Second by Councilwoman Bobo to adopt Ordinance 2056 setting forth usages for the additional revenue collected as the result of the 1% Sales and Use Tax increase beginning in FY 2021. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.
Motion by Councilman Davis, Second by Councilman Hinton to approve Resolution 20-80 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with WILLS RE (Optum) and Cobbs-Allen for stop loss insurance. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Davis to approve Resolution 20-81 rejecting the bid from Univar Solutions USA, Inc. for Liquid Aluminum Sulfate (Bid File 20-05 Water & Wastewater Chemicals); and to award the bid to the next lowest bidder; Southern Ionics, as shown in the attached bid tabulation, and to authorize the City Administrator to approve, as needed, all requisitions for water and wastewater chemicals. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and President Logan, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, Second by Councilman Davis to approve Resolution 20-82 authorizing the Northport Police Department to participate in the Community Traffic Safety Program (CTSP) Grant and authorize the Mayor to execute all paperwork pertaining to said grant. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Hinton, Second by Councilman Davis to approve Resolution 20-83 allocating Northport First Funds for FY 2020. Roll call was as follows: Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; President Logan, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Pro Tem Hogg, Second by Councilwoman Bobo to approve Resolution 20-84 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with the West Alabama Regional Commission for GIS Services. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Pro Tem Hogg to table Agenda Item 8b6, Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement for a Feasibility Study for a Sports Complex and Aquatic Facility was tabled. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Davis to approve Resolution 20-85 adjusting the terms of service for the following Northport Redevelopment Authority Board Members, with eligibility of reappointment:

1. Mr. Kevin Almond’s term expiring at the end of June 2022.
2. Mr. Bruce Higginbotham’s term expiring at the end of June 2022.
3. Mr. Jheovanny Gomez’s term expiring at the end of June 2024.
4. Mr. Ricky Sherrod’s term expiring at the end of June 2024.
5. Mr. Steve Steele’s term expiring at the end of June 2026.

Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.
Motion by President Logan, Second by Councilman Davis to approve the Consent Agenda for the October 5, 2020 Council Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes, August 17, 2020 Regular Meeting, September 1, 2020 Special Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO Requisition, Herbicide Treatment to the Levee, Edko, $7,185.42-PW
4. PO Requisition, Audit Expenses, Lawrence Hitt & Pugh, Invoice # 7214294, $15,000.00- Finance
5. PO Requisition, Economic Development Matters, Trussell, Funderburg, Rea, and Bell, P.C., $36,102.00- Legal
6. Travel/Training, 4 employees, Computer Voice Stress Analyzer Certification Training, October 19-23, 2020, Northport, AL, $1,185.00-PD
7. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Cyber Investigations, Digital Forensics, and Intelligence Course, Virtual Training Course, $0- PD
8. Travel/Training, 1 employee, ICAC Conference, October 19-23, 2020, Virtual Training, $0- PD
9. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Crisis Intervention Training, October 12-16, Tuscaloosa, AL, $0- PD
10. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Public Information in an All Hazards Incident, December 1-2, 2020, Northport, AL, $0-PD
11. PO Requisition, Bridge Estimate, Blake Galloway, $5,750.00- Engineering
12. PO Requisition, Professional Services Rendered on the MLK, Jr. Blv Project, Invoice #28, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc., $348.00- Engineering
13. PO Requisition, Professional Services Rendered on the MLK, Jr. Blv Project, Invoice #30, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc., $1,669.00- Engineering
14. DELETED
15. PO Requisition, Parts to Replace Valve at Charlie Shirley Water Tank, Ferguson Water Works, $5,078.68- Utilities
16. PO Requisition, Fiber Optic Installation at WWTP, Stone & Sons Electrical Contractors, Inc., $13,725.00- Utilities
17. PO Requisition, Project Crimson Agreement, Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority, $150,000.00- Administration
18. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Alabama Association of Floodplain Managers Annual Fall Conference, October 19-21, 2020, Orange Beach, AL, $775.00- Utilities

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

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

Police Department

President Logan Opened the floor for a Public Hearing for this agenda item.

President Logan Closed the floor for a Public Hearing for this agenda item.

**Motion** by Pro Tem Hogg **Second** by Councilwoman Bobo approving the ABC License for HRAR, Inc. dba Smart Center. Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Legal Department

**Motion** by President Logan, Second by Councilman Hinton to approve and pay Claim 20-54 in the amount of $2,015.00 as unanimously recommended by the Claims Committee. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Pro Tem Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**
PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Stephen Schwabb, 2520 5th Street, addressed Mayor and Council with concerns pertaining to the new condos being constructed in Downtown Northport.

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Mayor Aaron,

Mayor Aaron presented Judge Wayne Williams, retired City of Northport Municipal Judge with a proclamation thanking him for his 38 years of service to the City.

President Logan, District 2, President Logan encouraged all citizens within the City of Northport to go and vote tomorrow.

Councilman Hinton, District 3, None

Councilman Davis, District 4, Councilman Davis congratulated the Tuscaloosa County High Wildcats on their win on Friday night. He also thanked City staff on their hard work for the Homecoming Parade.

Pro Tem Hogg, District 5, Pro Tem Hogg addressed questions and concerns over the financial issues of the City. Pro Tem Hogg requested that the terms and qualifications of the position of City Administrator be discussed in Administrative Committee meeting next week.

Councilman Hinton confirmed the committee would be meeting next week.

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

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

Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:

W. Hardy McCollum, Interim City Administrator