

The regular Called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 5:30 p.m. on March 1, 2021 at Northport City Hall, in the Council Chambers located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by Mayor Herndon. President Hogg led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Hogg, Councilwoman Bobo, Councilman Washington, Pro Tem Hinton and Councilwoman Dykes. Also present was Interim City Administrator Hardy McCollum and Mayor Herndon.

The meeting was conducted pursuant to Governor Ivey's March 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Motion** Councilwoman Bobo, **Second** by Pro Tem Hinton **to approve the agenda for March 1, 2021.** Roll call vote was as follows: Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Mayor Herndon and President Hogg presented Mr. Jheovanny Gomez, Mr. Justin Grimball, and Mr. Wayne Grimball with a proclamation for their business, Jalapeños Bar and Grill, as March Business of the Month.**

**President Hogg presented Mayor Herndon with a proclamation for his act of heroism on February 24, 2021.**

**There were no visitors to address Mayor and Council.**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to adopt the Ordinance 2063 amending Section 10-26 of the Northport Municipal Code relating to hours of on-premise alcoholic beverage sales on Sunday.** Roll call was as follows: Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, No; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

**President Hogg Opened the Floor for a Public Hearing.**

**President Hogg Closed the Floor of the Public Hearing.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Washington **to adopt Ordinance 2064 ordering the demolition of an unsafe structure located at 1211 Bridge Avenue with the caveat that within 60 days the owner will submit a plan of action and a list of repairs submitted to the City's Building Inspector, and construction started.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Bobo, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes **to approve Resolution 21-27 for Balancing Change Order # 1 for the 1871 Force Main Completion Package, which reduces the contract price by \$7,447.01, and authorize the City Administrator to execute the necessary documents needed to proceed with this project.** Roll call was as follows: Councilwoman Bobo, Yes ; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Hinton **to approve Resolution 21-28 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Electric Machine Controls, Inc. for the WWTP PLC5 and SLC5 Migration and to execute any necessary documents and approve requisitions pertaining to said agreement.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes ; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to approve Resolution 21-29 reappointing Mr. Glenn Crow to Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority Board with this term expiring in 2024.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; President Hogg, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Councilwoman Bobo **to approve Resolution 21-30 appointing Mr. Jheovanny Gomez to Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority Board with this term expiring in 2024.** Roll call was as follows: Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Pro Tem Hinton, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes **to approve Resolution 21-31 appointing Mr. Mike Hannah to Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Board and his term expiring in 2024.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Pro Tem Hinton, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes **to approve Resolution 21-32 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Jackson Thornton, for professional services related to a cost of service study for the Utilities Department, and to execute any necessary documents and approve requisitions pertaining to said agreement.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes **to approve Resolution 21-33 reappointing Mr. Chuck Gerdau to the Williamson Cemetery Board for another four (4) year term that expires in January 2025.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Pro Tem Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes **to approve Resolution 21-34 reappointing Mr. R.G. Lewis to the Williamson Cemetery Board for another four (4) year term that expires in January 2025.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Pro Tem Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by President Hogg, **Second** by Pro Tem Hinton **to approve Resolution 21-35 appointing Ms. Lisa Ann Sellers to the Williamson Cemetery Board to fill vacant seat of Mr. Willie Lewis for the remainder of the (4) four year term which will expire in August of 2022.** Roll call was as follows: President Hogg, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes ; Councilman Washington, Yes; and Councilwoman Dykes, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Washington **to approve the Consent Agenda for the March 1, 2021 Council Meeting.**

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Minutes, February 15, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Bill Listing
3. PO Requisition, Outsourced Legal Services, Sirote & Permutt, PC, \$8,600.35- Legal
4. Travel/Training, 1 employee, De-Escalation Training, April 12-13, 2021, Oxford, Alabama, \$357.50- PD
5. Travel/Training, 4 employees, Glock Armorers Course, April 20, 2021, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, \$1,000.00-PD
6. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, March 1-5, 2021, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, \$595.00- PD
7. Travel/Training, 1 employee, 2021 Spring Law Conference, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Montgomery, Alabama, \$264.74- Legal
8. DELETED
9. Travel/Training, Online Administrative Professionals Training Day, April 27, 2021, Northport, Alabama, \$150.00-Engineering
10. PO Requisition, Nutanix Software 3-year License Renewal, CDW-G, \$ 55,032.00- IT
11. PO Requisition, Barracuda Software License 1-year advanced remote access, Bion Security, \$2,915.63-IT
12. PO Requisition, Preventative Maintenance on LifePak 15 Devises, Cardiac Solutions, \$25,214.40- FD
13. Travel/Training, 3 employees, ARWA Annual Technical Training Conference, March 14-17, 2021, Mobile, Alabama, \$3,135.00- Utilities

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

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- a. **Finance Committee:** The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for March 2, 2021 at 3:30 pm
- b. **Community Outreach Committee:** The next meeting of the Community Outreach Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 11:30 am  
Report of from Councilwoman Dykes regarding Feasibility Study Proposal

Motion by Councilwoman Dykes, Second by Councilman Washington to approve Resolution 21-36 approving the City Administrator is hereby authorized to negotiate a contract with Dr. John Myrick to update his December 16, 2013 Feasibility Study for the Municipality of Northport, Alabama to form a City School System. Roll call was as follows: Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Washington, Yes; Councilwoman Bobo, Yes; Pro Tem Hinton, Yes; and President Hogg, Yes. Motion Carries Unanimously.

- c. **Administrative Committee:** The next meeting for the Administrative Committee is scheduled for March 2, 2021 at 3:30 pm.
- d. **Projects Committee:** The next Projects Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2021 at 11:00 am
- e. **Safety Committee:** The next Safety Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2021 at 1:00 pm

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**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

**a. Police Department**

Motion by President Hogg, Second by Councilwoman Bobo to approve ABC License for Crimson Spirits at 1820 McFarland Blvd.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER'S BUSINESS:**

**Mayor Herndon**, Mayor Herndon announced that Justin Hamner, from Northport and graduate of Tuscaloosa County High School is in the lead for Bassmaster's Rookie of the Year title and is currently in 8th place for Angler of the Year. We are cheering Justin on along this journey and look forward to celebrating his success! Northport is proud of you Justin; keep up the outstanding work!

**Councilwoman Bobo, District 1**, Councilwoman Bobo had no business for District 1 to discuss.

**Councilman Washington, District 2**, Councilman Washington announced a project that had been completed in his district. He and two other citizens from District 2 had constructed a handicap ramp.


**Pro Tem Hinton, District 3**, Pro Tem Hinton announced that the second round of checks for the school from the Northport First Fund will be delivered by the end of the month. It will be over \$350,000.00 distributed.

**Councilwoman Dykes, District 4**, Councilwoman Dykes had no business for District 4 to discuss.


**President Hogg, District 5**, President Hogg had no business to discuss for District 5.

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

**There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.**

  
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Jeff Hogg, President

ATTEST:

  
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Warren H. McCollum, Interim City Administrator