# MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 16, 2016

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met in a regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 16, 2016 in the Council Chambers located within the Public Safety Building at 1111 Broad Street, Phenix City, Alabama. Upon roll call the following members were present: Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Councilmember Gail N. Head, Councilmember Johnny Barfield, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Councilmember Cannon was not present. Also present were City Manager Wallace B. Hunter, City Attorney James P. Graham, and City Clerk Charlotte L. Sierra.

Reverend Lucas Tribble, Pastor of Mount Zion United Methodist Church and Trinity United Methodist Church came forward to lead the invocation.

Mayor Lowe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Mayor Lowe presented certificates and checks to the 2016 Mayor's Ball for Education and Charity Non-Profit Agencies/Organizations Recipients. The following agencies came forward: The Children and Family Connection of Russell County, Communities of Transformation, The Russell County Child Advocacy Center, United to Save Ourselves, Russell County Crisis Center, T.E.A.R.S., Project Greene Light, and American Legion.

Mayor Lowe presented for approval the minutes of the August 1, 2016 work session minutes and the August 2, 2016 council meeting. Councilmember Day moved to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe stated there was no unfinished business to address at this time.

Mayor Lowe stated that now was the time and place for a Public Hearing in reference to a request to vacate a portion of the right-of-way of 26<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Lowe stated anyone wishing to address council on this property should come forward and do so at this time. Neither hearing nor seeing anyone come forward, Mayor Lowe declared the hearing closed.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to a request to vacate a portion of the right-of-way of 26<sup>th</sup> street with fees in the amount of \$3,198.93.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-262**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into an agreement with ALDOT regarding the Transfer of Rights of Way for Project No.STPPC-8020(3), the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Extension from Melanie Lane to Pierce Road.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-263**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to sign a contract with Fontenot Benefits and Actuarial Consulting in the amount of \$6,000.00 for audit reports for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-264**

Councilmember Head moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to granting a tax abatement for Continental Carbon Company.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-265**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into a License/Indemnification Agreement with the WC Bradley Company for the use of their property for the 2016 Riverfront Fall Festival Series.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-266**

Councilmember Head moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into a 36 month lease agreement with Best Copy Products, Inc. for one SHARP MX-3050N Color Series Document System in the amount of \$134.23 per month.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-267**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to rescinding Resolution No. 2011-291 approved November 15, 2011 declaring a 2001 Chevy Blazer surplus to be sold to the highest bidder at a Public Auction.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-268**

Councilmember Day moved to approve resolution which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to declaring a 2001 Chevy Blazer surplus to be sold as scrap.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-269**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve resolution which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion thus carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to declaring a 1998 White Jeep Cherokee surplus to be sold as scrap.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-270**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented five (5) resolutions in reference to awarding bids for demolition and removal of structures located at:

1.) 2000 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Hall Landscaping - \$1,020.00

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-271**

2.) 910 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Stewart Contracting - \$1,025.00

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-272**

3.) 2400 31st Street – J & J Land Development, Inc. - \$1,100.00

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-273**

4.) 706 Dillingham Street – Miles Contracting - \$4,200.00

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-274**

5.) 918 North Railroad Street – Stewart Contracting - \$1,439.00

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-275**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the resolutions, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to declaring one 2014 STIHL Trimmer as surplus to be sold as scrap; disposed of at the City Landfill; or used for spare parts.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-276**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to sign Change Order No. 1 with Pound Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$403.20 for renovations to the Lakewood Golf Course Snack Bar.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-277**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Manager to enter into an agreement with East Coast Entertainment, Inc. in the amount of \$10,200.00 for Masters of Soul to perform at Whitewater Avenue on October 14, 2016.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-278**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to purchasing one 2017 White International 7400 4x2 truck chassis in the amount of \$77,286.19 from Southland International Trucks for the Wastewater Collection Division.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-279**

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to purchasing one 6/7 yard 10' dump body in the amount of \$12,030.00 from Warren Truck and Trailer, Inc. for the Wastewater Collection Division.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-280**

Councilmember Head moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to Centerline Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$131,321.26 for the Riverchase Drive Force Main Boring.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-281**

Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a resolution in reference to awarding a bid to Crawford Grading & Pipeline, Inc. in the amount of \$576,605.00 for the replacement of water mains on 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 18<sup>th</sup> Court, and 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-282**

Councilmember Head moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Day. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented a letter of recommendation from the Planning Commission, Public Notice and Ordinance to rezone a 0.42 acre tract of land located at 2713 17<sup>th</sup> Street from a R-1 Zone to a C-4 Zone, John S. and Sara J. Osteen, owners.

#### LETTER

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **ORDINANCE**

Councilmember Day moved to accept the letter, approve the public notice and place the ordinance on first reading, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ASTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented two openings on the Personnel Review Board. Mayor Lowe called for nominations. Councilmember Day nominated Johnny Rutledge to be reappointed. Councilmember Barfield nominated Jim Welburn to be reappointed. Mayor Lowe then declared the nominations closed. Mayor Lowe asked for a motion to reappoint Jim Welburn and Johnny Rutledge to the Personnel Review Board. Councilmember Day moved to reappoint Jim

Welburn and Johnny Rutledge, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented one opening on the Planning Commission Board. Mayor Lowe called for nominations. Councilmember Head nominated Pat Howard to be reappointed. Mayor Lowe then declared the nominations closed. Councilmember Barfield moved to reappoint Pat Howard, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented for second reading applications for the City of Phenix City Special Event License for Fall Event Series. Councilmember Day moved to approve the applications, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Barfield. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Lowe presented Itemized Statements of Expense from Gil Griffith, of the Building Department, in the amount of \$261.36. Councilmember Barfield moved to approve the expenses, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Head. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Head, Barfield and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None. The motion carried.

Councilmember Day advised that the NAACP will have their banquet on August 12<sup>th</sup>, and everyone is invited.

Mayor Lowe thanked the Department Heads for their hard work.

Councilmember Day reminded citizens to vote on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mayor Lowe thanked CTVEA for donating their time and resources for the recording of the city's council meetings.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting adjourned until September 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.