

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2021

The members of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama met at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time for the regularly scheduled work session on Monday, May 17, 2021, by the way of Zoom Video Conferencing. Upon roll call, the following members were present by the way of Zoom Video Conferencing: Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Jr., Councilmember Vickey Carter Johnson, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember R. Griff Gordy, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Also present by the way of Zoom Video Conferencing were City Manager Wallace Hunter, City Attorney Jimmy Graham, and City Clerk Melony Lee. Department Heads in attendance by Zoom Video Conferencing were: Deputy Building Official Ray Rogers, City Engineer Angel Moore, Economic Development Manager Shaun Culligan, Finance Director Labrita King Copeland, IT Manager Mike Bauer, Fire Chief Kris Kennedy, Golf Manager Mike Barber, Library Director Michele Kilday, Parks & Recreation Director Todd Hughes, Human Resources Generalist Eliza Phillips, Assistant Chief of Police George Staudinger, Acting Utilities Director Charles Woody and Graduate Engineer John Spraggins.

Upon a quorum being established, Mayor Lowe called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Bailey led the invocation.

Mayor Lowe advised there were no Requests to Address Council.

Mayor Lowe called upon Angel Moore, City Engineer, to discuss the actions taken by the Planning Commission at their May 11, 2021 meeting. Ms. Moore stated that the meeting was canceled due to no Agenda items.

Mayor Lowe called upon City Clerk Melony Lee who discussed the following with Mayor and Council:

1. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on May 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Martin Idle Hour Park Community Center.
2. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet May 25, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.
3. Informed Council that Central High School Commencement Ceremony will be held on May 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
4. Informed Council that City Offices will be closed on May 31, 2021 in observance of Memorial Day.
5. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on June 1, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. over the platform ZOOM. This meeting will be held on a Tuesday afternoon due to the Memorial Day Holiday.
6. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on June 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. over the platform ZOOM. This meeting will be held on a Wednesday morning due to the Memorial Day Holiday.
7. Informed Council that the Ft. Benning Change of Command Ceremony will be held on June 4, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.
8. Informed Council that Troy University Spring Commencement Ceremony will be held on June 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
9. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet June 8, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.
10. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Work Session to be held on June 14, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. over the platform ZOOM.

11. Advised Council of a regular scheduled Council Meeting to be held on June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Phenix City Russell County Library.
12. Advised Council that the Planning Commission will meet June 22, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.
13. Reviewed upcoming board appointments.

Councilmember Bailey stated that City Council passed a resolution at the May 4, 2021 City Council Meeting to secure a position in the Municipal Debris Removal Fund provided by the Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation. Councilmember Bailey asked Angel Moore, City Engineer, if the program received the required amount of signatures from the other Cities in Alabama for approval. Ms. Moore stated that the State of Alabama did not receive the required amount of signatures. Ms. Moore also stated that no money was sent from Phenix City for the program.

Mayor Lowe went over the agenda items.

City Attorney Jimmy Graham reviewed agenda claims with Council.

Mayor Lowe encouraged everyone to keep Phenix City clean. Mayor Lowe stated that ninety-eight bags of trash collected from City streets is too much. Mayor Lowe also stated that it is going to take everyone to do his or her part to keep the streets of Phenix City clean.

There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned until 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 1, 2021.