

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 1, 2008, in the Police Department Courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street at 5:15 p.m. Upon call of the roll the following members were present: James Martin, Council President, Johnny Knight, Lucious Cobbs, Robert Powers and Sammy Lipscomb. Absent: none.

Also present: Mayor Jay Jaxon, Jr., Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Jimmy Calton, City Attorney.

Council President Martin called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Martin presented the agenda for council consideration. Mr. Knight moved to approve the amended agenda of December 1, 2008. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote Council President Martin announced the motion had carried.

Council President Martin reviewed each item on the Consent Agenda as follows:

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the city council minutes of November 17, 2008 regular meeting.
- (b) Motion and second to approve the Claims Docket dated November 25, 2008 in the amount of \$16,758.87.

Mr. Knight moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Lipscomb seconded the motion. After a voice vote Council President Martin announced the motion had carried.

MAYOR

Mayor Jaxon asked Police Chief West to introduce the new Police rookies. Chief West introduced Patrolmen Souza, Houston, Wiggins, and Williams and stated they had graduated the Police Academy on November 20, 2008.

Mayor Jaxon stated the city had budgeted for a 5% increase in the Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance premium for the upcoming year in an effort to absorb any increase in premium to the employees. He stated the city had been notified that the Blue Cross/Blue Shield premium increase is \$106,000 over the 5% increase budgeted. In order to decrease the proposed premium the deductible for a hospital stay will increase from \$100.00 to \$250.00 for employees. He stated this would get the city closer to the 5% allowance budgeted for premiums.

VISITORS

Ms. Eugenie Slater asked if council had addressed the parking problem at the Q Ball. Council President Martin stated council would discuss this at a work session.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Knight introduced Resolution 163-2008 (accepting donation to Horticulture Department) and moved for its adoption. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote Council President Martin announced the motion had carried.

**RESOLUTION
163-2008**

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Horticulture Department is the recipient of a computer; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Burchett has donated this equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Eufaula City Council that the city gratefully accepts and acknowledges the contribution of the Compaq Presano 5000 Computer (CT53292014DMCZVL, SW3D1AJXDSNOWL) to the Eufaula Horticulture Department.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 1st day of December, 2008.

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James L. Martin, City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

Council President Martin opened the floor for nominations to fill an unexpired term (Mary Winkleblack) on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. Lipscomb nominated Judi Mathisen to fill the unexpired term on the Historic Preservation Commission. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. Council President Martin called for other nominations. There were none. After a voice vote Council President Martin announced the motion had carried and Judi Mathisen had been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mary Winkleblack on the Historic Preservation Commission, the term expiring March 19, 2010.

Council President Martin opened the floor for nominations for a position on the Rescue Squad Board of Directors (to replace Jamie Goodson).

Mr. Knight nominated Joe Puccio to a three-year term on the Rescue Squad Board of Directors. Mr. Lipscomb seconded the motion. Council President Martin called for other nominations. There were none. After a voice vote Council President Martin announced the motion had carried and Joe Puccio had been appointed to a three-year term on the Rescue Squad Board of Directors, the term expiring January 6, 2012.

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Powers asked council to continue support of the city's school system. He noted the pre-k program and HOPE Academy are both outstanding programs and should be continued.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the council the same was on motion duly made and seconded adjourned this 1st day of December, 2008.

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