

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 5:15 p.m. in the police department courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street. Council President Register called the meeting to order, and Pastor Richard Hunter offered the invocation. President Register led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll the following members were present: Council President Wes Register, President Pro Tem Otis Hill, Councilman Marvin Brown, and Councilman Ben Garrison.
Absent: Councilman John Robinson.

Also present: Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Garrison offered a motion to approve the order of the agenda for Monday, February 6, 2023. President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. President Register then announced that the agenda was approved and adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Register reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda for council approval.

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the special-called session minutes of Tuesday, January 31, 2023.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the regular rescheduled session minutes of Tuesday, January 17, 2023.
- (c) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated February 1, 2023, in the amount of \$4,646.53.

Councilman Garrison offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, President Register announced the Consent Agenda was approved and adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

VISITORS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

President Register introduced Resolution 7-2023 (Fuel Purchasing State). President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 7-2023 (Fuel Purchasing State). Councilman Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, President Register announced Resolution 7-2023 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
7-2023**

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula wishes to continue to purchase gasoline and diesel off the Alabama State bid list; and

WHEREAS, the contract is for a 12-month period with an option to extend; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of management to continue purchasing gasoline and diesel off the Alabama State bid list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eufaula City Council that the Mayor be hereby authorized to sign all documents relating to the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED the 6TH day of February, 2023.

CITY OF EUFAULA ALABAMA,
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Wes Register, CMO
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White
City Clerk/Treasurer

President Register introduced Resolution 8-2023 (Authorizing Clerk to Research CD Rates and Open Account). Councilman Garrison noted that it would be favorable for the City to invest funds while current financial trends indicate a continuing rise in interest rates for Certificates of Deposit and/or Money Market accounts. Councilman Garrison then offered a motion to adopt Resolution 8-2023 (Authorizing Clerk to Research CD Rates and Open Account). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, President Register announced Resolution 8-2023 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
8-2023**

WHEREAS, current financial trends show a continuing rise in interest rates for Certificates of Deposit and/or Money Market accounts; and

WHEREAS, it would be prudent for the City of Eufaula to take advantage of the increased rates and invest funds in Certificates of Deposit and/or Money Market accounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Eufaula hereby authorizes the City Clerk/Treasurer to contact local financial institutions and research the best available rate for investment of funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the City Clerk/Treasurer to open and deposit funds in said accounts at the best rate.

DONE THIS 6th day of February, 2023.

THE CITY OF EUFAULA, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Register announced that renovations for the city auditorium will begin at the end of the school year with a tentative fall 2023 completion date. Additional city schools' projects are also being completed at this time.

Ronnie Smith, Carnegie Library director, gave a library report and announced the first concert since Covid began will be held on this Thursday night, February 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the library. Concert guests will be Dillon King, Eufaula High School choral director, and his wife, Erica. Everyone is invited.

He also noted that the library will pursue grants that will supplement appropriated city funding. A \$10,000 grant is also being applied to the library's digital resources, such as e-books or downloadable audio books, as the demand for these resources remain high. The wi-fi hot spots

remain at the library for checkout and will continue to be available until summer 2024. The library is staffed with a new children's librarian, Helena Nix, and adult services librarian, Kaitlin Jackson. Both employees are pursuing master's degrees in library science.

Councilman Brown reported for the week of January 30, 2023 through February 3, 2023, that the street department recycled 33 bales of cardboard. Code Enforcement issued 28 non-compliance letters. The shop crew completed 57 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The litter crew collected 235 bags of litter. Trash crews collected and hauled 183 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. Garbage crew collected and hauled 200 tons of garbage. The Edgewood Project is going well with a tentative fall 2023 completion date.

President Pro Tem Hill reports that the police and fire departments are performing their usual daily operation and training procedure(s).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by Councilman Garrison, and duly seconded by President Pro Tem Hill, adjourned this 6th day of February, 2023.

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