

**MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 5:15 p.m. in the Police Department Courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street. Council President Register called the meeting to order, and Chaplain Brad Mitchell offered the invocation. Council President Register led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Register announced the memorial service for the passing of Courtney Potthoff, Esq., on May 7, 2021, former city attorney for eight years retiring in 2020. Council President Register attended the memorial service noting the most used words during the service to describe Courtney were, "grit and grace". Mr. Garrison and Mr. Robinson shared in the sentiments of Courtney's character and diligence. Council President Register then called for a moment of silence in honor of a colleague and friend, Courtney Potthoff, Esq.

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

Also present: Mayor Jack Tibbs, Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Joel Smith, City Attorney.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Robinson offered a motion to approve the order of the agenda for the meeting of May 17, 2021. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that the agenda for May 17, 2021 was approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve regular session minutes of May 3, 2021.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Prepaid Claims Docket dated April 30, 2021 in the amount of \$1,225,377.37.
- (c) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated May 12, 2021 in the amount of \$396,401.51.

Mr. Garrison moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced the Consent Agenda was adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tibbs noted his eight-year working relationship with Courtney Potthoff, Esq., as former city attorney and that she will be missed. The dredging process is moving forward for David's Catfish that will be located just off of highway 431 south near Barbour Creek Boat Landing.

VISITORS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Register introduced Resolution 25-2021 (Weed Abatement – Pamela Andrea King, Simmons Alley), and opened the floor for comments. There were no responses from the floor. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 25-2021 (Weed Abatement – Pamela Andrea King, Simmons Alley). Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 25-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
25-2021**

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
King, Pamela Andrea P.O. Box 904 Montgomery, AL 36101	Simmons Alley	062403051005024

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of May, 2021.

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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 26-2021 (Weed Abatement – Adrian Callaway, Russell Alley) and opened the floor for comments. There were no responses from the floor. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 26-2021 (Weed Abatement – Adrian Callaway, Russell Alley). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 26-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
26-2021

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Callaway, Adrian 632 E. Hunter St. Eufaula, AL 36027	Russell Alley	062403051005007

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of May, 2021.

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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 29-2021 (Weed Abatement – Quinton Cutchen & Anna Strickland, Old Clayton Road) and opened the floor for comments. There were no responses from the floor. President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 29-2021 (Weed Abatement – Quinton Cutchen & Anna Strickland, Old Clayton Road). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 29-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
29-2021

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Quinton Cutchen and Anna Strickland 438 Dr. T.V. McCoo Blvd. Eufaula, AL 36027	Old Clayton Road	06230111000033

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of May, 2021.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

Council President Register introduced the matter of re-appointment for Peggie Thomas to the Personnel Advisory Board to serve another three-year term. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to re-appoint Peggie Thomas to the Personnel Advisory Board to serve the designated three-year term. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced the re-appointment of Peggie Thomas to the Personnel Advisory Board set to expire on June 7, 2024.

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Garrison reported that the City of Eufaula finances continue a progressive trend.

Council President Register reported that he attended the first in-person library board meeting today since the pandemic began. The library will have a digital summer reading program on Facebook for the months of June through August. The library will also offer to adults a financial program called "Money Smarts". Classes will be held by Zoom video conferencing, and the first

class will be held tomorrow titled, "Identity Thefts & Scams", and the May 25th class will be about "Savings". The Carnegie Library will be adding digitized yearbooks to its website. Council President Register presented the library board members with city coins for their service. The Eufaula High School seniors' honor program will be held tonight, and the Eufaula High School graduation will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2021.

Mr. Robinson reported that Ms. Nicki Pittman will begin management duties at the local Weedon Field Airport on Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Representative Barry Moore will host a town hall on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at the Chamber of Commerce. Humminbird is experiencing company growth, and Southern Plastics is doing well with an increase in employees more than doubling their workforce. The current availability of jobs is excellent and has far exceeded the availability of workers at this time. There were 160 major league fishermen in town this week for the tournament that also shared in local community events. Mr. Robinson also shared some of the recent bills that were up for vote during legislative session such as the medical marijuana bill, lottery, permanent day light savings time, tobacco/vaping age limit, etc.

Mr. Robinson reported that parks and recreation had a board meeting last Wednesday. Barge Design recently assessed the community center roof and structures for a comprehensive reporting on the needed repairs to the center. This week is the final week of baseball and softball. All-Stars will be selected in each division to represent the City of Eufaula.

Mr. Brown reported that he and Tim Brannon, Director of Public Works, attended a very informative meeting about the new garbage trucks and bins. Method, procedure, costs, etc. are being developed at this time.

Mr. Brown also reported that the garbage crew collected and hauled 72 tons of garbage. Trash crews picked up and hauled 92 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. The litter crew picked up 46 bags of trash throughout the city. The shop crew completed 14 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The department produced 12 bales of recycled cardboard.

President Pro Tem Hill reported that there are several ongoing investigations. Citizens are reminded to secure their vehicles at all times in an attempt to hinder additional incidents of theft of property.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by President Pro Tem Hill duly made and seconded by Mr. Robinson, adjourned this 17th day of May, 2021.

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