

**MINUTES OF A RESCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a rescheduled session on Tuesday, September 7, 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 Associate Pastor Don Dillard offered the invocation. Council 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, Marvin Brown, Ben Garrison, and John Robinson.

Also present: Mayor Jack Tibbs, Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Joel Smith, City Attorney. Representative Berry Forte was also in attendance of this council session.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Robinson offered a motion to approve the order of the agenda for the rescheduled meeting of September 7, 2021. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. Council President Register announced that the agenda was adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the regular session minutes of August 18, 2021.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated September 1, 2021 in the amount of \$22,615.20.

Mr. Garrison offered a motion 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 announced that ALDOT has begun work on the lake edge near the location for David's Catfish House. The railroad paving work in the south Industrial Park has also been completed. Humminbird is set to do a press release on its new 25,000 square foot business expansion for their production plant that has created 75 new jobs. Southern Plastics, Hyundai Poly-Tech and Tessengerlo Kerley have also expanded creating additional jobs. The FY 2022 city budget includes a \$75,000 appropriation for doctor recruitment, and the Barbour County Health Authority has also appropriated \$25,000. Dr. Bill Peery, is the City's new trauma surgeon. A new powder-coating business is moving to Eufaula that will provide approximately 20 jobs. Southern Bone & Joint is successful with treating patients here in Eufaula while patient treatment needs has called for an additional treatment day to fulfill the demand.

VISITORS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Council President Register introduced Resolution 88-2021 (Authorize Mayor to enter agreement with Stifel). Mr. Robinson offered a motion. President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. Mr. Garrison abstained from the vote on Resolution 88-2021 (Authorize Mayor to enter agreement with Stifel) due to his son being a current employee of Stifel. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 88-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
88-2021**

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula is in the process of reviewing financial options for potential borrowing and wishes to enter into an agreement with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated (Stifel); and

WHEREAS, the “Municipal Advisor Rule” of the Securities and Exchange Commission requires an engagement letter be executed prior to discussion of various financial options; and

WHEREAS, the engagement letter is preliminary, nonbinding and may be terminated at any time by the City without penalty or liability for any costs incurred by the underwriter, or Stifel.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Eufaula authorizes Mayor Jack B. Tibbs, Jr. to execute the engagement letter with Stifel.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of September, 2021.

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Wes Register, Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Register introduced Resolution 84-2021 (Weed Abatement – Melanie D. Comer, Kendall Drive). Mrs. Sara Hamm interjected addressing the Council. Council President Register explained to her that she would need to request to be placed on the agenda according

to the established process for approval to speak before the Council. She continued to interject with comments to the Council and audience. Council President Register asked Mrs. Hamm to leave the meeting. She was then escorted by a police officer to the door to exit the meeting.

Council President Register introduced Resolution 84-2021 (Weed Abatement – Melanie D. Comer, Kendall Drive). He called for comments from the audience. There were no comments or responses from the audience. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 84-2021 and President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 84-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
84-2021

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
Melanie D. Comer 565 Knowles Road Cataula, GA 31804	Kendall Drive	061309323002001002

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.

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Wes Register, City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 85-2021 (Weed Abatement – Steve T. Johnson, 906 Cleveland Street). Council President Register called for comments or responses. There were no comments or responses from the audience. President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 85-2021 (Weed Abatement – Steve T. Johnson, 906 Cleveland

Street), and Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 85-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
85-2021

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
Steve T. Johnson 906 Cleveland St. Eufaula, AL 36027	906 Cleveland Street	062403052008015000

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.

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Wes Register, City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 86-2021 (Fixing Costs – Johnny Davis, Jr., Rollins & McKenzie Street). Council President Register called for comments or responses. There were no comments or responses from the audience. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 86-2021 (Fixing Costs – Johnny Davis, Jr., Rollins & McKenzie Street). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 86-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
86-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the City Council of the City of Eufaula, Alabama, examined the report of the Public Works Superintendent, adopted Resolution 56-2021

on July 7, 2021, declaring the property in question constituted a public nuisance due to the weeds existing on the property and ordered the abatement of such public nuisance. The cost of abating the nuisance is as follows:

Parcel # 062403051026001000

08/04/21 – Bush Hog – (1) hour	\$ 80.00
Administrative Fee	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
TOTAL DUE	<u>\$ 280.00</u>

Property located at Rollins Avenue and McKinzie Street

OWNER: Johnny Davis, Jr.
406 Eileen Street
Eufaula, AL 36027

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Wes Register, President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 87-2021 (Fixing Costs – Reginald Coley, 16 Deerfield Drive). Council President Register called for comments or responses. There were no comments or responses from the audience. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 87-2021 (Fixing Costs – Reginald Coley, 16 Deerfield Drive). Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 87-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
87-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the City Council of the City of Eufaula, Alabama, examined the report of the Public Works Superintendent, adopted Resolution 50-2021 on June 21, 2021, declaring the property in question constituted a public nuisance due to the weeds existing on the property and ordered the abatement of such public nuisance. The cost of abating the nuisance is as follows:

Parcel # 061305160000026000

08/03/21 – Bush Hog and Operator, 2.0 hrs. @\$80.00 per hr.	\$160.00
Administrative Fee	<u>\$ 200.00</u>

TOTAL DUE	<u>\$ 360.00</u>
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Property located at 16 Deerfield Drive

OWNER: Reginald Coley
16 Deerfield Drive
Eufaula, AL 36027

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Council President Register called for the consideration of a restaurant 010 – Lounge Retail Liquor License– Class I for Split Shot Saloon located at 2842 South Eufaula Avenue, Eufaula, AL. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to approve the restaurant retail on premise beer, wine, and liquor license for Split Shot Saloon. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that the beer, wine, and liquor license was adopted.

Council President Register called for the consideration of a restaurant approved 160 – Special Retail – More than 30 Days license for Superior Pecan & Gifts located at 117 East Broad Street, Eufaula, AL 36027. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to approve the retail on premise and off premise beer and wine and on premise retail liquor license for Superior Pecan & Gifts located at 117 East Broad Street, Eufaula, AL 36027. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that the beer, wine, and liquor license was adopted.

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Garrison commended Eufaula shop owners and Mayor Tibbs for promoting the Eufaula businesses. Renovations for the courtroom are currently met with the challenges of finding furniture and supply chain issues, etc. Mr. Garrison also solicited help with learning the effects

of the census by sorting the categories. He continued that it will take six to eight months to complete this task. Mayor Tibbs noted that since last year, the influx of people to the city would increase the population.

Council President Register reported that there will be a four-part online banking program entitled, "Digital Basics Online Banking" that will be offered for the month of September, on September 21, 23, 28, and 30th, 2021 at the Carnegie Library from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Additional details may be found on the library's Facebook page. Friends of the Library will have their first book sale in two years, from October 21-23, 2021 during regular library hours. Patrons are encouraged to begin bringing books to the library after Friday, October 1, 2021. A vaccination drive will be held on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Eufaula High School from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Robinson announced that a fundraiser will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 for Coach Duane Mock. He also reported that soccer season begins on Monday, September 13, 2021 and ends Thursday, October 21, 2021. A 10 and under and 12 and under District Six tournament will be hosted here in Eufaula on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Adult softball will also begin on Monday, September 13, 2021. A noon prayer was held for COVID victims that have lost their lives to the disease. The Eufaula Fest will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 9-10, 2021 with various artists, crafts, and vendors. The Alabama-Mississippi Tourism Conference will be held in Tennessee this year, and here in Eufaula next year. Various ribbon cuttings are taking place over the next couple of weeks for new businesses that are opening here in Eufaula. The Eufaula City Schools Choral department is donating a piano to the Eufaula Chamber of Commerce. A small business workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 30, 2021, October 5, 7, 2021, by Zoom meeting at the Eufaula Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Tibbs stated that he was in a meeting with Minerals Manufacturing last week. Minerals Manufacturing is the third largest gas consumer in the Southeast Gas system. Mayor Tibbs explained the distribution of Southeast Gas profits to the cities is based on gas usage, and Minerals Manufacturing's current standing will result in more substantial profits.

Mr. Brown reported that the garbage crew collected and hauled 61 tons of garbage. Trash crews picked up and hauled 74 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. The litter crew picked up 82 bags of trash throughout the city. The shop crew completed 20 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The department produced 10 bales of recycled cardboard.

President Pro Tem Hill commended the city for their participation, support, and spirit in response to Coach Duane Mock. He also commended Coach Mock for his love of children and the many lives that he has touched. Police Chief Watkins gave a report of a couple of incidents that have taken place in the city. President Pro Tem Hill encouraged everyone to secure their property at all times to help deter crime and violence in our neighborhoods and city. Fire Chief Feggins encouraged the support of the fire department in an effort to contribute to the cure of various types of cancer. The fire department has t-shirts for sale in support of breast cancer and accepting orders through Monday, September 13, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by Mr. Robinson duly made and seconded by Mr. Garrison, adjourned this 7th day of September, 2021.

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