

City Council Meeting
February 1, 2010

Present: Mayor William Isley, Herbert Toles, Wayne Tucker, Katrina Hennings, John Coyne, David Jones, Brian Skinner.

Hugh Marlin was absent.

Visitors; Terry Rowe, St. Clair County Transportation
Dusty Thomason, Alabama Avengers Football Team

Mayor Isley opened with the invitation. John Coyne led us into the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Isley asked the Council if they wish to revise the agenda to add Mr. Thomason as a visitor. Motion was made by David Jones, second by Herbert Toles. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor suspended the regular order of business to recognize our visitors.

Terry Rowe with the St. Clair County Public Transportation addressed the Council on how the transportation program works.

1. Transportation is available to anyone who wishes to ride the bus within their service area; however they must call in advance to make their requests.
2. Citizens can be taken to medical appointments, drug stores and grocery stores.
3. Soon there will be four buses with handicap wheelchair lifts.
4. Mr. Rowe encouraged the Council to make the public aware the service is available and hopes to extend the service at a later date.

At this time Mr. Rowe asked the Council to consider a contribution to assist towards the transportation program. Mr. Rowe asked if the Council had any questions or concerns anyone might have. Council discussed and asked for the service area for transportation for Springville citizens. Mr. Rowe replied Springville /Odenville; however for medical appointments they hope to be able to transport where needed, but not sure yet. Council asked if other cities have made a contribution. Mr. Rowe replied, Springville is the first City he has met with, but plans to visit all cities in St. Clair County. After discussion, Mayor Isley thanked Mr. Rowe and advised the Council will place his contribution request under review and will get back in touch with him.

Dusty Thomason, Head Coach for the Avengers Football team, founded in 2005 and is made up of former high school students creating a semi-professional football team. Games will be held at Springville High School, which will host the playoffs if necessary. Mr. Thomason asked the Council to consider a contribution towards the program and thanked them for their consideration. No action was taken by the City Council at this time.

Resolution 2010-06- EMA to accept Hazard Mitigation Grant

Resolution 2010-06 is to enter into an agreement with Alabama Emergency Management Agency to accept a grant in the amount of \$ 424,163 with a local match of \$ 105, 939. Mayor Isley stated the local share would be required in next year's budget. Motion to suspend the rules and consider at this meeting was made by David Jones, second by Herbert Toles. Mayor Isley called for voice votes; Toles yea, Tucker yea, Hennings yea, Coyne yea, Jones yea, Skinner yea and Mayor Isley voting yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Resolution 2010-06 as presented was made by Herbert Toles, second by David Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the City Council meeting held on January 19th were presented. Motion to approve was made by Herbert Toles, second by David Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Library status report for December was presented for the Council's review.

Mayor Isley reports;

1. He referred to a letter from Dan Dahlke, County Engineer concerning road damage to streets during the freezing weather. The letter also stated EMA might be eligible for disaster funds thru FEMA if there was enough damage reported by the Municipalities. Mayor Isley suggested the Public Works Department and any Council representative to check the roads if they saw any damage that needed reporting.
2. He mentioned the work session where Representative McClendon came and allowed the City to voice their concerns of the newly introduced legislation HB 264 that would adopt a new Residential Energy and Building Codes. Mayor then called on Fire Chief Harvey to report on his visit to Montgomery where an amendment was presented that would allow local municipalities the ability to amend the adopted code, but restricts the local municipality from mandating the installation of residential sprinkler systems. In addition, the bill was further amended to read that any municipality that had an ordinance in place prior to the adoption of this legislation would be grandfathered. This has passed in the house with substitute and amendment.
3. He reported bids were advertised and none were received for the house located at 52 Old Talladega Road. He suggested the fire department use this for fire training and hopes to have the property cleaned up within a few weeks.
4. He advised the playground equipment for Big Springs Park is here and plans are being made for the installation.
5. He reported still no response concerning the army tank from the State.

John Coyne reported;

1. He suggested when a department head is unable to attend the City Council meetings a representative should be presented in their absence. Council briefly discussed. No action was taken by the City Council.
2. He read a letter from a developer who was requesting neighborhood watch signs for Westwood II. Discussion that some of these streets were city streets; however some were not so the city could not purchase the signs, but agreed to ask the Police Chief to increase patrol in the area.

Motion to adjourn at approx 7:35pm was made by Herbert Toles, second by Katrina Hennings.
Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Brenda Roberts, City Clerk

Mayor William Isley, Jr.

Jennifer Disker, Asst. City Clerk