ROLL CALL:
Present: Members: Herbert Toles, Wayne Tucker, Hugh Marlin, David Jones, Mayor William Isley, Larry Jones, Katrina Hennings, Chip Martin
Absent: None

Public Hearing – Unsafe Structure
Mayor William Isley called to order a public hearing regarding an unsafe structure located at 18 George Street. Attorney James Hill and Richard Harvey addressed the condition of the structure which was declared unsafe and ordered to be abated in October. Harvey said that no progress had been made to correct the nuisance after the council had ordered it corrected and an extension had been granted.

Wilma Layfield, the owner of the property was recognized and stated that she had lived in the structure for 36 years but had moved out on October 9. She said that she felt that the structure could not be restored and should be demolished. She indicated that she wanted to remove her belongings from the structure and would request the City to burn the structure so that she could locate a new home on the property. Ms. Layfield stated that she had received the notifications regarding the property sent by James Hill and requested an extension of 4 weeks to remove her belongings from the location.

James Hill recommended that the council consider in its regular meeting a resolution to declare that the structure be abated but to suspend the order for 30 days to allow Ms. Layfield to remove her personal belongings from the property. At that time the council and Ms. Layfield could discuss the most expedient and least expensive way to remove the structure.

The public hearing was closed at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor William Isley called the regular meeting to order and gave the invocation. David Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of April 4 Regular Meeting
David Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4 regular meeting. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Resolution 2016-03 Unsafe Structure
David Jones made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-03 regarding an unsafe structure located at 18 George Street but to suspend the abatement of the nuisance for a period of thirty (30) days so as to allow Ms. Layfield the opportunity to remove her personal belongings therefrom on the condition that no person reside in the residence. Katrina Hennings seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Appoint Ron Sharit to Planning & Zoning Commission
Chip Martin made a motion to appoint Ron Sharit to the Planning & Zoning Commission effective on March 21, 2016, the date of his hire as building and zoning official to replace Jennifer Disker. Wayne Tucker seconded the motion. All voted aye.
Reschedule May 16 Regular Meeting

David Jones made a motion to reschedule the regular meeting on May 16 to Thursday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m. due to the Alabama League of Municipalities convention. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor William Isley discussed issues related to workman’s compensation requirements on bids for services, the progress on the city hall construction, the tennis court project, Bradford Road culvert replacement, concrete upgrades at the splash pad, Clean Up Day, and plans for street paving.

Chip Martin said that the March 2016 budget report would be considered at the next meeting.

With no further business to come before the council, David Jones made a motion to adjourn. Wayne Tucker seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Attest:

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City Clerk  Mayor