

State of Alabama }
County of Etowah }
City of Hokes Bluff }

MINUTES OF HOKES BLUFF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 9, 2010, 7:00 P.M. City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Ellzey, Gary Reeves, Jeff Cheatwood, Michael Elrod, John Moore

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wayne Whitt

ALSO PRESENT: Angela Ellzey, Robert McWhorter, Sheila Burns

Call to Order

Mayor Reeves called the regular meeting of the Hokes Bluff City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. An invocation was given by Councilmember Cheatwood and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

Review/Approve Agenda

Councilmember Ellzey made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Councilmember Moore seconded the motion. There was no question, discussion, or change requested. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Read/Approve Minutes

Councilmember Cheatwood made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 02/23/2010 regular Council meeting and pre-Council meeting and to approve them as written and posted. Councilmember Moore seconded the motion. There was no question, discussion, change, addition, or correction requested. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Accounts Payable

Councilmember Cheatwood advised that he had reviewed the bills submitted for payment and that all appeared to be in order. He made a motion to pay the bills. Councilmember Moore seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Public Comments

None.

Annual Performance Evaluations – Eric Terrell; Richard Garmon, Sammy Hayes; Mitchell Hill

This was the second presentation of annual performance evaluations for Eric Terrell, the assistant supervisor of city services, Police Officer Richard Garmon, Police Sgt. Sammy Hayes, and Police Chief Mitchell Hill. All had received ratings of 'very good.' Councilmember Cheatwood made a motion to commend the employees and to accept the evaluations. Councilmember Ellzey and Councilmember Moore seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Audit

Councilmember Moore made a motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 audit and enter it into the record of the meeting. Councilmember Ellzey and Councilmember Cheatwood seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

2010 Alabama League of Municipalities Convention

Councilmember Elrod made a motion to authorize the payment of registration fees and associated expenses for interested Council members to attend the 2010 Alabama League of Municipalities Convention in Mobile May 15 through 18. Councilmember Ellzey seconded the motion. Councilmember Cheatwood said he would like to attend. There was no other question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Annual Convention Voting Delegate

Councilmember Moore made a motion to name Councilmember Cheatwood as the City's Voting Delegate for the 2010 League of Municipalities annual business meeting on Tuesday, May 18. Councilmember Elrod seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Quickbooks 2010

Councilmember Ellzey made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$301 to purchase Quickbooks 2010 for two (2) users. Councilmember Cheatwood seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Computer Workstation and Printer

Councilmember Elrod made a motion to purchase a new computer workstation for Assistant City Clerk/Court Clerk Lisa Johnson and a new computer workstation for City Clerk/Treasurer Sheila Burns and a Hewlett Packard duplexing printer from Network Solutions. Councilmember Ellzey seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Reports From the Standing Committees

Finance and Personnel: There was no report.

Parks and Recreation: Councilmember Moore made a motion to use the \$2,500 Commissioner McKee had given the City to help build a retaining wall between the baseball fields to purchase block for the project. Councilmember Cheatwood seconded the motion. There was no question or discussion. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The motion was carried.

Public Works: CDBG Grant Application: The City would be working with E.A.R.P.D.C. to start the CDBG application process once again to apply for funding for street paving. The City would be applying for funding for the same nine (9) streets that were included in the 2009 grant application. The application due date would be sometime in July.

Sunset Drive Paving Project: Once the weather constraints lift, the Sunset Drive paving project should commence.

Facilities and Equipment: Fire Truck: The tentative plans were for fire department personnel to travel to Good Hope Fire Apparatus on Tuesday, 03/16/2010, to bring the fire truck back to Hokes Bluff. They would be prepared to load the hose and equipment themselves.

Public Safety: Councilmember Elrod reported that all was good. He and Mayor Reeves thanked the police and fire departments for the excellent work that they performed each day.

Adjournment

As there was no other business to be discussed at the time, Councilmember Elrod made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ellzey. On voice vote, all voted aye. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Hamilton Burns, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer