

The regular called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at **5:30 p.m.** on **Monday, April 15, 2024** at Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd, Northport, AL, 35476, in the Council Chambers. The invocation was offered by Mayor Hinton and President Bobo led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: Pro Tem Washington, Councilman Wiggins, Councilman Dykes, Councilwoman Aiken and President Bobo. Also present at tonight's meeting, Mayor Hinton and City Administrator Webb.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Hinton read aloud one proclamation to Justin Hamner. Mr. Hamner is a Northport resident who won the 2024 Bassmaster Classic Champion.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to **approve the agenda for the April 15, 2024, Council Agenda as printed. Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

## **VISITORS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Kevin Dixon from the Kennedy Fire Department presentation a certificate of appreciation to council and the Fire Department for the donation made on January 23, 2024.

David Leech is a Northport resident that lives in Essex Square Apartments, 3550 Watermelon Road. He spoke to the council on behalf of himself and his neighbors regarding noise complaints.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Motion** by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilman Aiken to adopt **Ordinance 2220 declaring the 2024 "Back-to-School" sales tax holiday for July 19-21, 2024. Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion** by Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to adopt **Resolution 24-59 in Support of HB421 Regarding Polygraph and Computer Voice Stress Analysis.** This resolution supports HB421 to amend Sections 34-25-2, 35-25-3, and 34-25-20, Code of Alabama 1975, to specify that a polygraph device does not include equipment or devices used for the purpose of computer voice stress analysis. The City of Northport Police Department historically utilized computer voice stress analysis (CVSA) truth verification technology and methodology. Specifying that CVSA technology is not a "polygraph device" under Alabama law would allow the City of Northport to maximize the benefits of using CVSA technology and methodology. **Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilman Aiken, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to adopt **Resolution 24-60 Designating Official Voting Delegates for the 2024 Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Convention.** Councilman Wiggins as the official voting delegate and Pro Tem Washington as the 1st alternate for the 2024 Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Convention in Huntsville, Alabama May 15-18th. **Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**Motion** by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes to adopt **Resolution 24-61 Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Contract for Montgomery Farms Pump Station Drive Access.** The pump station is located off of Joshua Street in the Montgomery Farms subdivision. Due to new development, the road leading to the pump station needs to be addressed. The project scope includes cutting curb, minor grading and paving from Joshua Street to the pump station. Central Alabama Asphalt was the only respondent to the solicitation for quotes in the amount of \$38,596.00. The project cost is budgeted in water and sewer capital. **Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion** by Pro Tem Washington, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to **approve** the **Consent Agenda** as printed for the **April 15, 2024, Council Meeting**:

1. Minutes, April 15, 2024, Regular Meeting - Glenda Webb
2. Bill Listing - Glenda Webb
3. Purchase Requisition, Tyler Technologies Annual Billing for Executime Time and Attendance and mobile access for HR purposes. Budget expense \$14,751.45 - Darren McGee
4. Purchase Requisition, Hunnicutt, Inc., for repairs, installation, and/or service on the recycled water pumps, clarifier check valves, and Carrousel mixer at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, \$6,750.00. John Webb
5. Purchase Requisition, Dell Technologies Partial 2024 Computer Replacement Project, 19,849.80. Scott Murphy
6. Purchase Requisition, Dell Marketing, LP, replacement computers and laptops for Utilities, \$6,400.47.
7. Purchase Requisition, Engineers Professional Liability Insurance Renewal, USI. This is for the renewal of additional liability insurance coverage for the City of Northport Engineers and Building Inspectors. Due to recent Alabama Supreme Court cases, there could be a \$100,000 limit on professional liability for certain City employees. This will provide extra coverage for the Engineers and Building Inspectors during these instances, \$11,317.00. Ron Davis
8. Purchase Requisition, Motorola Solutions for the Police Department Radio Maintenance Contract, \$73,667.00. Chief Burton
9. Purchase Requisition, Gulf State Distributors for PD body armor, \$13,282.80. Chief Burton

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A. There were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Engineering Department**.
- B. There were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Legal Department**.
- C. There was **one** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Planning & Inspection Department**.
  - a. The Chief Building Official has found that the structure located at 5706 Shenandoah Drive is unsafe and dangerous to the public health. We are recommending the structure be demolished. All necessary procedures have been followed pursuant to Act No. 80-410.
  - b. President Bobo Opened the Floor for item 11.c.1.
  - c. **There were no speakers for item 11.c.1.**
  - d. President Bobo Closed the Floor for item 11.c.1.

**Motion** by Councilman Wiggins, **Second** by Councilwoman Dykes to adopt **Ordinance 2221 Ordinance Ordering Demolition of an Unsafe Structure located at 5706 Shenandoah Drive with a 60-day extension for possible sale with buyer pulling necessary permits or completion of deficient items on inspections report by current owner. Roll call was as follows:** Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

- D. There were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Police Department**.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S BUSINESS**

Reminder public of Touch-a-Truck/Summer Event April 27, 2024 from 10:00 am – 1:00pm.

**DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**

No official business to discuss.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER’S BUSINESS**

**Mayor Hinton** – Welcome Councilman Aiken.

**President Bobo, District 1** – Thank Staff for Community Center Ribbon Cutting & Swearing In.

**Pro Tem Washington, District 2** – No official business to discuss for District 2.

**Councilman Wiggins, District 3** – No official business to discuss for District 3.

**Councilwoman Dykes, District 4** – No official business to discuss for District 4.

**Councilman Aiken, District 5** – Thank Council for the opportunity to serve.

**Motion** by Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington **to adjourn the meeting.** Roll call was as follows: Pro Tem Washington, Yes; Councilman Wiggins, Yes; Councilwoman Dykes, Yes; Councilman Aiken, Yes; President Bobo, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was **adjourned at 5:58 p.m.**

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Christy Bobo, President

ATTEST:

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Glenda D. Webb, City Administrator