

The regular meeting of the Northport City Council convened at 6:00 p.m. on February 18, 2019, at the Northport City Hall, located at 3500 McFarland Blvd. The invocation was offered by President Logan. President Logan led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following were found to be present: President Logan, Councilman Hinton, and Councilman Davis. Also present was Mayor Aaron and City Administrator Bruce Higginbotham. Absent and failing to vote: Councilman Roberts and Councilman Hogg.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **approve the agenda for February 18, 2019**. Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Ordinance 1988 rezoning 2910 20th Avenue from RS-3 (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (Neighborhood Commercial)**. Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Ordinance 1989 authorizing the Conditional Use approval of a Office Building addition within the floodway fringe at 1001 3rd Street**. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hinton **adopt Ordinance 1990 Rezoning Lot 1 Resurvey of Gillis Subdivision from AG (Agricultural) to C6 (Highway Commercial)**. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

President Logan offered for 1st Reading, Ordinance Annexing a parcel of land at 4518 5th Street.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis to **adopt Resolution 19-15 authorizing the City Administrator to submit a grant application to ADEM for recycling funds**. Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Motion by Councilman Davis, **Second** by Councilman Hinton to **approve the Consent Agenda for the February 18, 2019 Council Meeting.**

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes, February 04, 2019, Regular Meeting,
2. Bill Listing
3. PO Requisition, Outsourced Legal, Dorroh & Mills, PC, \$4,625.00- Legal
4. PO Requisition, Professional Engineering Services, Krebs Engineering, \$10,623.00- Utilities
5. PO Requisition, Radio Maintenance February 01, 201-April 30, 2019, Motorola Solutions, \$34,897.89-PD
6. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Child Symposium, March 18-21, 2019, Huntsville, AL., \$170.30-PD
7. Travel/Training, 1 employee, End it Alabama Conference, April 7-8, 2019, Montgomery, AL., \$0-PD
8. Travel, Training, 1 employee, FBI Crisis Negotiation, July 8-12, 2019, Irondale, AL., \$0-PD
9. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Phase 1 & 2 Practical Kinesics Interview and Interrogation Techniques, June 24-28, 2019, Birmingham, AL., \$1050.00-PD
10. Travel/Training, 4 employees, AR15 Armorer Course, June 4-6, 2019, Tupelo, MS, \$2,917.86-PD
11. Travel/Training, 1 employee, 2nd Annual Peer Support Conference, February 19, 2019, Dothan, AL., \$141.22-PD
12. PO Requisition, City-wide hardware and configuration for wireless, Bion, \$31,934.04 -IT
13. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Icemakers Service School, February 21, 2019, Birmingham, AL., \$0-PW
14. PO Requisition remove floor tile and mastic from the basement floor of the Shirley House, ARR Restoration & Remediation, \$ 4,750.00- PW
15. PO Requisition, Testing at Water Treatment Plant, Pace Analytical Services, LLC, \$8,500.00-Utilities
16. Travel/Training, 1 employee, F.O.G. Workshop, AWEA, March 29, 2019, Birmingham, AL., \$20.00- Utilities
17. PO Requisition, 2019 Annual Service Agreement for WTP, Hach, \$11,359.00- Utilities
18. Travel/Training, 2 employees, Activated Sludge Basics & Interactive Maintenance Training, AWEA, March 14, 2019, \$0- Utilities
19. PO Requisition, Clean Up at Montgomery Farms, ServPro, \$3,153.55-Utilities
20. DELETED
21. PO Requisition, Meters, Empire Pipe & Supply, \$19,500.00-Utilities
22. Travel/Training, 1 employee, 2019 Spring Law Conference, April 12-13th, 2019, Florence, AL., \$464.00- Legal
23. Travel/Training, 1 employee, Municipal Legislative Advocacy CMO Session, March 19th, 2019, Montgomery, AL., \$125.00- Legal

Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Davis, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and President Logan, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Departmental Business:

a. Police Department

1. **Motion** by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hinton **to approve the ABC License for Swen Restaurant.** Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

Public Comment:

Ms. Caramyl Drake, 2201 University Blvd., Tuscaloosa, AL., Project Manager for the City of Tuscaloosa addressed Mayor and Council to encourage participation and utilization in the free program provided by Tuscaloosa Small Business Revitalization Program. It encourages women of minority women owned or disadvantaged business in their procurement effort. This program has noticed that the City of Northport is in a time of great expansion and would love to assist in this growth.

President Logan relayed to Ms. Drake that he would get contact information to Bruce Higginbotham's office as well as the Planning Department. He recognized Rebecca Harbin in the audience and thanked everyone at the Small Business Revitalization Program for their support.

Ms. Kay Holden, 3010 Natchez Landing Court, Northport, AL., Vice President of the Northwood Lake HOA addressed Mayor and Council. She thanked Mayor Aaron, Councilman Hinton, and Councilman Davis for visiting Northwood Lake's annual HOA Meeting. She addressed City Administrator Bruce Higginbotham regarding an area in Northwood Lake, 4800 Emerald Bay Drive. She stated there is a City owned watershed ditch at this address. She wanted to know the status of this situation by asking several questions: was it a current project, would it be handled by the Corp of Engineers or ADEM, and which group would be responsible for digging it out?

Mr. Higginbotham, responded that it is not a current project but they are pursuing the issue and it would be a Corp of Engineers project, with involvement from ADEM, if pursued. the Corp of Engineers would have a great deal of input on what direction to take the issue. The City is currently looking at all of the options.

Ms. Holden went on to commend the City for doing such a great job clearing the area between Publix and Northwood Hills Baptist Church. She also wanted to ask the City if they could work on getting striped paved along the roadway into the entrance of Northwood Lake. It had been years since lines had been refreshed and it would help tremendously with the flow of traffic. Ms. Holden also stated her concern over the homeless woman that sits behind the Econo Lodge. The main issue she wanted to address was how to handle the situation with sensitivity but also follow protocol to stop the pan handling and make her responsible for cleaning up the mess she leaves as she "camps out." Mayor Aaron responded to Ms. Holden stating she had discussed this issue in depth with Chief Burton, Assistant Chief Carpenter, and City Attorney Ron Davis. She feels very strongly that these people that are pan handling or not following our ordinances do not need to be jailed but given the help they need whether it be medical, psychiatric, or a homeless shelter. She stated this particular woman that Ms. Holden had brought up for discussion does not need to be on our streets and that she definitely should be made to clean up the mess she leaves. Mayor Aaron advised Ms. Holden to contact Chief Burton to address this situation if becomes an issue again.

Mr. William Nowell, 5217 Northwood Lake Drive West, Northport, AL., addressed Mayor and Council concerning the divider on 69 near the entrance of Northwood Lake. He expressed that he dividers are a great addition, but there needs to be signage to say 'No U-Turn.' If people continue to not follow the signs, they need to be ticketed. He stated he also hit someone by the vehicle in front of him doing a U-Turn. He feels that there will be an accident there if people continue to cross those yellow lines.

Mayor & Council Member's Business:

Councilman Roberts, District 1, Absent

President Logan, District 2, None

Councilman Hinton, District 3, None

Councilman Davis, District 4, None

Councilman Hogg, District 5, Absent

Mayor Aaron, None

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Hinton **to adjourn the meeting Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. to discuss potential litigation.** Roll call was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Hinton, Yes; and Councilman Davis, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

The Council reconvened at 6:35 p.m.

Motion by President Logan, **Second** by Councilman Davis **to adjourn the meeting.** Roll call vote was as follows: President Logan, Yes; Councilman Davis, Yes; and Councilman Hinton, Yes. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Jay Logan, President

ATTEST:



Bruce Higginbotham, City Administrator