The regular called Meeting of the Northport City Council convened at **5:30 p.m.** on **Monday, March 17, 2025** 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 Aiken, Councilwoman Dykes and President Bobo. Also present at tonight's meeting was Mayor Hinton and City Administrator Glenda Webb.

PRESENTATIONS
Mayor Hinton presented a proclamation to Sanford Restaurant & Equipment for Business of the Month.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Councilman Aiken, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to approve the agenda for March 17, 2025, with the **addition of item 9.b.10.** Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to file a motion to intervene. **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
There was none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Motion by President Bobo, Second by Pro Tem Washington to adopt Ordinance 2259 adopting the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget. This budget will be for a twelve (12) month period from October 1, 2024, until September 30, 2025. This budget was approved at the Finance Committee meeting on February 17, 2025. **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
First Reading, Offered by Councilman Wiggins **Ordinance Amending Chapter 22, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III, Section 22-61 of the Municipal Code pertaining to moving buildings.** It has come to the attention of the Police Department that Chapter 22, Article II, Section 22-61 of the city code pertaining to moving buildings needs to be updated to reflect the Alabama Department of Transportation's regulations.

First Reading, Offered by Councilman Aiken **Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to enter a Non-Exclusive Franchise Agreement with Fiber Utility Network Inc. DBA Alabama Fiber Network.** This ordinance authorizes the Mayor to execute a franchise agreement with Fiber Utility Network, Inc. D/B/A Alabama Fiber Network. The agreement attached as Exhibit "A' was negotiated on behalf of the City by franchise experts, Local Government Services, LLC whose services were authorized by Resolution 24-15 on January 23, 2024.

First Reading, Offered by Councilman Wiggins **Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter a Franchise Agreement with Southern Light, LLC.** This ordinance authorizes the Mayor to execute a franchise agreement with Southern Light, LLC. This agreement attached as Exhibit "A" was negotiated on behalf of the City by franchise experts, Local Government Services, LLC whose services were authorized by Resolution 24-15 on January 23, 2024.

Motion by Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to adopt **Resolution 25-41 Reappointing Chuck Gerdau to the Historic Williamson Cemetery Board.** In 2012, by Resolution 12-131, the Northport City Council re- established the Historic Williamson Cemetery Board. Mr. Chuck Gerdau's current term expired on January 1, 2025. On February 17, 2025, the Admin Committee met and respectfully recommended that Mr. Gerdau be re-appointed to the board with his term to expire January 1, 2029. **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 Councilwoman Dykes, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins, to adopt **Resolution 25-42 Reappointing R.G. Lewis to the Historic Williamson Cemetery Board.** In 2012, by Resolution 12-131, the Northport City Council re-established the Historic Williamson Cemetery Board. Mr. R.G. Lewis' current term expired on January 1, 2025. On February 17, 2025 the Admin Committee gave a recommendation that Mr. Lewis be re-appointed to the board with his term to expire January 1, 2029. **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 President Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to adopt **Resolution 25-43 Authorizing City Administrator to Execute Engineering Services Contracts Related to the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget.** On February 17, 2025, the Finance Committee recommended adopting the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget. The City Council had a first reading of the ordinance adopting the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget on March 3, 2025. The Council had a second reading and approved the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget ordinance as part of Unfinished Business at the March 17, 2025 meeting. This resolution authorizes the City Administrator to take all necessary actions to execute engineering services contracts for projects in the approved 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget ordinance. **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 President Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Aiken to adopt **Resolution 25-44 Authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a (3) three year contract with Motorola Solutions for Maintenance of the Public Safety Radio Communications System. 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 Councilman Aiken to adopt **Resolution 25-45 Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Contract with Robinson & Sons Construction Services, Inc. for Water Treatment Plant Clearwell Roof Rehabilitation.** The Utilities Department requested proposals for the Water Treatment Plant Clearwell Roof Rehabilitation project in January. The project includes pressure washing the clearwell, repairing the area of failing joint material on the clearwell roof, and applying a waterproofing system to the clearwell roof. Robinson & Sons Construction Services, Inc. provided the lowest cost proposal. The Utilities Department is requesting authorization for the City Administrator to execute a minor public works contract with Robinson & Sons Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of $98,560.00, to be funded out of the 2025 Water & Sewer Capital Budget. **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 President Bobo, **Second** by Councilman Wiggins to adopt **Resolution 25-46 accepting the 2024 audit report as prepared by LeCroy Richardson. 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 Pro Tem Washington, **Second** by Councilman Aiken to adopt **Resolution 25-47 Authorizing the City Administrator to execute Change Order No. 1 with FieldTurf USA, Inc for River Run Park at Northport Shore - Turf Package.** On November 18, 2024, the City Council approved Resolution 24-175 authorizing the City Administrator to purchase athletic turf surfacing for River Run Park at Northport Shore with FieldTurf USA, Inc. for the amount of $3,165,459.00. The Change Order No. 1 received from FieldTurf USA, Inc. reflects an additional logo for Fields 2, 3, and 8 with an increased logo size on Field 1 for the amount of $10,240.00. The Engineering department has reviewed the change order request and is recommending approval. **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 Wiggns, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to adopt **Resolution 25-48 Authorizing the City Administrator to execute Change Order No. 1 with CivilCON, LLC for the Highway 82 Pump Station, Gravity Sewer, and Force Main Project - Contract B: Sewer Force Main.** On July 15, 2024, the City Council approved Resolution 24-115 authorizing the City Administrator to execute a contract with CivilCON, LLC for the Highway 82 Pump Station, Gravity Sewer, and Force Main Project - Contract B: Sewer Force Main in the amount of $1,425,717.15. CivilCON, LLC has submitted Change Order No. 1 for the scope of prepayment requirements by the contractor, Wilson & Company, for inspection. The previous allowance was allotted to $12,000.00; the amount for prepayment is $20,750.00, with a difference of $8,750.00. The Engineering department has reviewed the Change Order No. 1 for the amount of $8,750.00 and is requesting approval. **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 Councilman Aiken to adopt **Resolution 25-49 Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Contract with TTL, Inc. for C E & I Services for the Downtown Streetscape Phase III Project**. The Downtown Streetscape Phase III project will be funded 80/20 in part by the U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets for all grant funds. The fiscal impact on the City will be $265,500.00. **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 Councilman Aiken to adopt **Resolution 25-50 Authorizing the City Attorney to File a Motion to Intervene in CV-2020-900450, Marshall, et al v City of Northport, et al.** The City of Northport has been Dismissed, With Prejudice from a pending lawsuit. This resolution authorizes the City Attorney to intervene in this pending Circuit Court Case in which the Defendant's insurance carrier continues to provide legal defense for certain named individuals. This intervention would allow the Court to determine whether the City and its liability insurance carrier is required to provide any indemnity or any defense to any of the remaining Defendants in this case from this point going forward. **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 Councilman Aiken, **Second** by Pro Tem Washington to approve the Consent Agenda as printed for the March 17, 2025, Council Meeting:

1. Minutes, March 3, 2025, Regular Meeting - Glenda Webb
2. Bill Listing - Glenda Webb
3. Purchase Requisition, Electric Machine Control, Inc., in the amount of $7,930.00, is for quarterly on-site SCADA Network software used at the Water Treatment Plant and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This amount is for the remainder of the fiscal year 2025.
4. Purchase Requisition, Living Water Services, LLC., in the amount of $10,000.00, if for testing at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The testing is for E. Coli, BOD, TSS, NH4, TKN, which is all required by ADEM.
5. Purchase Requisition, Outsourced Legal Services, Professional Services, MaynardNexsen, $7,463.00. Legal services rendered pertaining to the River Run Park Management Contract.
6. Purchase Requisition, Dell Technologies (Dell Marketing) for the 2025 Computer Replacement Project. This order includes computers for the Police Department vehicles and Council Chambers computers. The total amount for this order is $26,513.39.
7. Purchase Requisition, SHI, for the annual renewal of Microsoft Office 365 licenses used by city employees. The total cost is $95,959.50.
8. Purchase Requisition, Tuskaloosa Lawn Equipment in the amount of $27,038.00 is for the purchase of two (2) Lazer Z X-Series 60" Series 6 Deck lawn mowers. These will be used at the Water Treatment Plant and the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
9. Purchase Requisition, Stiver Ford Lincoln, in the amount of $97,218.00, is for a 2025 Ford F-150 Supercrew 4x2 PIckup at $39,155.00, and a 2025 Ford F-250 Supercrew 4x2 Pickup at $58,063.00. The prices are determined by the State Bid Contract.
10. Purchase Requisition, Comcate Software Inc. is for the renewal of the Code Enforcement Manager Software in the amount of $9,328.20.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

There were no reports.

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 were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Planning & Inspection Department**.
D. There were **no** Public Hearing items on the agenda for the **Police Department**.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BUSINESS

There was none.

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

There was none.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER'S BUSINESS

Mayor Hinton – Thanked staff for weather preparedness.

President Bobo, District 1 – Reminded citizens to contact staff regarding Main Avenue ROW acquisitions.

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

Councilman Wiggins, District 3 – Proud of the audit report the City received reporting financial security.

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

Councilman Aiken, District 5 – No official business to discuss for District 5.

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 **5:53 p.m.**

Christy D. Bobo

Christy Bobo, President

ATTEST:

Glenda D. Webb

Glenda D. Webb, City Administrator