

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 21, 2008**

A Regular Council Meeting was held at 5:30 pm. in the council chambers of City Hall. Present for the meeting were Mayor Reuben Shelley, Council Members John Glover, Ray Marler, Steve Watson, Benton Beasley, and Mary Williams.

The mayor asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and John Glover offered prayer.

John Glover made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 7th meeting, Ray Marler seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Ray Marler made a motion to purchase a Peachtree Accounting upgrade to the 2009 version, Mary Williams seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

**Mayors Report:**

Mayor Shelley presented to the Council, two quotes from Lewis Incorporated and APAC for the paving of thirteen (13) streets. He also, presented two bids from Peoples South and Headland National Bank for the financing of the paving project. Along with the cost of paving the banks would finance water line repairs for the Highland Terrace subdivision (\$22,000), a new mower for the street department (8,000), a concrete slab for the Fire Dept. parking lot (21,970), and portable speed bumps (3,000).

After some discussion a motion was made by Benton Beasley to table the matter until a more detailed quote could be received from each bank. Ray Marler seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Street/Sanitation Superintendent, Steve Pitts requested that his department be allowed to use Dothan Temporary Services on a trail bases. He explained the different benefits of using the service and wanted to try the service for three (3) months at which time he will report back to the Council on the results.

Mr. Pitts informed the Council he had taken some measurements of the roadsides that the Street Department currently mow. The roadsides measured over thirty-seven (37) miles in addition the Headland Airport is another fifty (50) acres. He requested that the City go to a 75 hp tractor with a 15 ft mower to cut down on mowing time. He has currently received one (1) bid and has a request in for two (2) additional bids.

Water/Wastewater Superintendent, Jason Singletary gave his departments reports for the month of March 2008. He also updated the Council on the Recreation Park maintenance.

Steve Watson made a motion to approve an itemized listing of equipment to be purchased for the new Fire Truck not to exceed thirty-five (35) hundred dollars. Ray Marler seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Council Comments:

Councilman, Benton Beasley informed the Council that he had spoken with Kathy Arrington regarding her father being hit by a ball at the High School Baseball field. He requested that the height of the fences be looked into. Mayor Shelley informed him that there had been other reports of people being hit by balls at the four (4) field complex and Coach Holland was getting prices on fixing the problem.

John Glover made a request for the Council to travel to the Alabama League 2008 Convention. Mayor Shelley informed the Council that any member that wanted to go could but the City would not pay the expense.

Steve Watson requested information on changing the garbage routes from twice a week to once a week. Mr. Watson feels with the price of diesel fuel and the problems with employees this could be a solution.

Public Comments:

Crystal McGlown was present regarding a block party on Lindsey Street Saturday April the 19<sup>th</sup>. She informed the Council that the police first arrived around 5:30 to ask that the music be cut down and then came back a second time to shut down the party. During a meeting on Monday April the 21<sup>st</sup> with the Mayor, Police Chief and Police Officers regarding the party they were informed that there may be citations issued for violation of the noise ordinance and disorderly conduct. She wanted to know why the citations were not issued while the Officers were at the party Saturday night?

Mayor Shelley informed Ms. McGlown that the Officers have up to twelve (12) months to issue any citations and that there had been complaints within three (3) blocks of Lindsey regarding the noise.

Cory Danzey also spoke regarding the party. He informed the Council that the first time the Officers arrived they turned down the music and the Officers said everything was fine before leaving. Then came back within two (2) hours saying they had more complaints.

Mrs. Betty Danzey said the problem she had was with how the Officers acted. That the Officers were very rude.

Mayor Shelley asked that a written complaint on the Police Department be submitted to him and he would give it to the Review Board to take under consideration.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. on a motion by Steve Watson.

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Susan Money, City Clerk

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R.S. Shelley, Mayor

