

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 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 Benton Beasley offered prayer.

Ray Marler made a motion to approve the minutes after changing the word variance to exception for Freeman's Fresh Fish Market and Oyster Bar . Benton Beasley seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

John Glover made a motion to approve the payment of the bills, Ray Marler seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Steve Watson made a motion to approve a beer license for Freeman's Fresh Fish Market & Oyster Bar, Mary Williams seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to approve a letter to Mr. Anthony Spann regarding the zoning of his property located at 2415 County Road 22. Ray Marler seconded and all members voted in the affirmative

Mary Williams made a motion approving the City Clerk to attend the Fall 2008 Certification Training in Tuscaloosa, Ray Marler seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

An invoice submitted by Mr. Gerald Everett was tabled. The Council asked for the City Attorney to be present at the next scheduled meeting to answer questions regarding the issue.

Ray Marler made a motion to allow Christ Life Church to have a live Nativity Scene December 12th and 13th on the square. Mary Williams seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to approve Resolution 13-2008 regarding the Retiree Act 2008-555 for a one-time lump sum payment to all employees retired prior to October 1, 2008. Mary Williams seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Shelley presented the Council with a letter from Crystal Gibson, City Magistrate regarding the NCIC system. He informed the Council that the system could be tried for twelve (12) months.

Steve Watson made a motion to try the system for twelve (12) months and Benton Beasley seconded the motion. John Glover, yea vote; Ray Marler, nay vote; Steve Watson, yea vote; Benton Beasley, yea vote; and Mary Williams, yea vote. Motion passed on a four (4) to one (1) vote.

Street/Sanitation Superintendent, Steve Pitts informed the Council he was working on his department's budget. He said he is taking into consideration that there would be fuel increases and the landfill fees will be increasing by \$1.50.

Water/Wastewater Superintendent, Jason Singletary was not present.

Council Comments:

Steve Watson recommended that the next Council Members should look into a recycling program.

Public Comments:

Mrs. Andrea Shiphorst asked about the copy machine that had been brought before the Council. City Clerk, Susan Money informed her that the copier had been put on a month-to-month lease until the 08-09 budget was complete.

Mr. Jim Cole informed the Council that he recycles at his home and has cut down on 50 percent of his household waste.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. on a motion by Ray Marler.

Susan Money, City Clerk

R.S. Shelley, Mayor