

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 3, 2009**

A Regular Council Meeting was held at 6:00 pm. in the council chambers of City Hall. Present for the meeting were Mayor Ray Marler, Council Members John Glover, Jody Singleton, John Mellown, Benton Beasley, and Kendrick Spurling.

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

Mayor Marler convened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. concerning the Source Water Assessment Area for Well #4.

Mayor Marler presented the public with a Source Water Assessment report and a Source map from Polyengineering, Inc. He informed everyone present that a copy of the report and the map could be acquired through the City Clerk's office.

There being no public comment John Glover made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. Kendrick Spurling seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Ted Wilson with Wilson Realty was present to discuss the benefits of bringing retirees into the City and that his new subdivision will cater to retirees and first time home buyers.

Jody Singleton made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 16th meeting, Benton Beasley seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to approve payment of the bills, Jody Singleton seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

The Muller Communication bid was put on hold until an assessment of the current cost for purchasing printer supplies could be submitted to the Council.

John Glover made a motion to make the following appointments to the Headland Industrial Development Board:

- Re-appoint - William Parker
- Re-appoint - Thomas Solomon
- Appoint - Bary Singltary
- Appoint - Mike Mullins

John Mellown seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Quotes from three different Banking Facilities in the amount of \$100,000.00 were presented to the Council. This would allow for four (4) fully equipped Dodge Chargers to be purchased.

Police Chief, Mark Jones was present and informed the Council that he has five (5) vehicles, which would be replaced with the new vehicles. The following vehicle would be sold with the funds going toward the cost of the new vehicles:

1. 1988 Crown Victoria
2. 1994 Mercury Grand Marquis
3. 1998 Crown Victoria
4. 2003 Crown Victoria
5. 2004 Crown Victoria

Benton Beasley made a motion to purchase two (2) vehicles at this time and reconsider the purchase of two (2) additional vehicles in six (6) months. Jody Singleton seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to close a CD at Ameris Bank (Account Number 0000935930) in the amount of \$21,277.08 and transfer the money into the USDA Savings Account (Number 1112534) at Headland National Bank to help make the \$91,000.00 USDA payment due January 2010. Jody Singleton seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Mayors Report:

There will be a ribbon cutting for Edward Jones new location on Cleveland Street Thursday, March 5th at 9:30 a.m.

Renaissance Headland will hold a meeting Thursday, March 5th at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss final plans for the sidewalks.

Headland will hold a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday March 12 at 6:00 PM at the old Auburn Experiment Station building to discuss a new Comprehensive Plan to guide growth in the community.

Columbia, Alabama will be celebrating the Cities 190th birthday May 1, 2010 and invites everyone to attend.

Updates for the Walking Trail grant were submitted to the Alabama Department of Transportation March 3rd. This will be a 100% federally funded grant for \$342,000.00.

Sales tax for the forth quarter were down by 2% but had increase for the month of January by 1.19%.

Mayor Marler informed the Council that he has a meeting March 4th with the Department of Transportation regarding the truck route.

The installation of the speed breaks started today on Railroad Street.

Department Reports:

Street/Sanitation Superintendent, Steve Pitts informed the Council that the once a week garbage pickup started Monday and seem to be working fine.

Mr. Pitts attended a workshop February 27th in Hoover, AL regarding alternative fuels.

Water/Wastewater Superintendent, Jason Singletary presented his departments January 2009 report. The new water project is complete except for the electrical panel at the pump house.

Wastewater pumping station at the south lagoon and north lift station normally both have two (2) pumps, at this time only one (1) pump at the south lagoon is running. There are no repair part because the pumps are mid 80's pumps. When this pump goes out we will have to go into a by-pass pump situation until upgrades can be completed. North lift station has had around \$120,000.00 spent to make repairs within the last several years. A new pumping station would not cost this much. Both pumping stations pump around 200,000 gallons per day and are the workhorses of the City. Can stay on the by-pass pump as long as needed but the cost will be great.

Council Comments:

Councilmen Beasley stated that the streets sidewalks are looking good.

Councilmen Mellown thanked the Animal Control Officer for helping his daughter with a cat problem.

Public Comments:

Mrs. Donna Medina asked the Council for help finding a place to store bricks for sidewalks. The bricks will be sold to individuals to be engraved with a message.

Mrs. Linda Jones asked if there was an Ordinance for discharging a firearm within the City limits. Mayor Marler informed her that Chief Jones had been working on that issue just this week.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion by Jody Singleton.

Susan Money, City Clerk

Ray Marler, Mayor