

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 14, 2009**

A Regular Council Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall. Present for the meeting were Mayor Ray Marler, Council Members John Glover, Jody Singleton, Benton Beasley, and Kendrick Spurling. John Mellown arrived at 6:30 p.m.

The mayor asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and Kendrick Spurling offered prayer.

Jody Singleton made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 17th meeting, Kendrick Spurling seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Ted Wilson with Wilson Realty was present to present a proposal for a Headland Welcome Center. A room at the Grace Brook subdivision clubhouse would be provided for the Welcome Center. He requested that the City provide a phone line and pay \$300.00 per month for the center. He would not hold the City to a contract for the service but did request for a three-month trial period. The facility will be available on May 1, 2009.

Mr. Kenneth Franks with Muller Communications presented a proposal for the leasing of printers and copies for the City. Benton Beasley made a motion not to accept the proposal due to a two-year lease with OCE and to revisit the proposal after the current lease expires. Jody Singleton seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to accept the street lights at Grace Brook Court, Jody Singleton seconded and all members voted in the affirmative.

Jody Singleton made a motion to follow the recommendation of the Headland Planning Commission and not accept a request for rezoning 16.949 acres on the South side of County Road 45 (Shelco). John Glover seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Benton Beasley made a motion to accept Resolution 3-2009 for the City to participate in the Sales Tax Holiday beginning August 7, 2009 at 12:01 a.m. and ending August 9, 2009 at twelve midnight. Kendrick Spurling seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Jody Singleton made a motion to approve Resolution 4-2009 entering into a supplemental agreement with the State of Alabama amending an agreement dated February 9, 2007 to construct an access road from Alabama Highway 134 to the WillieCo Plant site. John Glover seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Mayors Report:

The next scheduled meeting with the KPS Group regarding the Cities comprehensive plan has been set for Thursday April 20th at 6:00 p.m.

A recent speed study on Highway 431 showed 739 vehicles over the speed limit. Alabama DOT does not recommend any speed limit changes for this number of vehicles.

During a recent work session members of the Workforce Development Group asked for help from the City paying utility bills. Mayor Marler recommended helping the group with utilities and have them come back to another work sessions where it could be recommended that they move into the Chamber facility.

Benton Beasley made a motion to pay a one time \$602.26 toward utility bills and then talk with the group about moving into the Headland Chamber of Commerce building. John Mellown seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Department Reports:

Street/Sanitation Superintendent, Steve Pitts informed the Council that he had submitted a list of damaged roads to the Henry County EMA Director for FEMA. The amount of damage added up to an estimated \$7,500.00. He also informed the Council of the road conditions on Railroad Street.

Water/Wastewater Superintendent, Jason Singletary asked the Council to approve \$2,500.00 for electrical work on Golden Field. This will allow for underground outlets that will be used during special events such as the upcoming Relay for Life.

Benton Beasley made a motion to approve the electrical work at no more than \$2,500.00, Jody Singleton seconded the motion and all members voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Singletary presented the Council with a proposal from Blankenship Contracting, Inc. for work on the South Lagoon pumping station.

John Glover made a motion to approve the proposal in the amount of \$82,360.00 with the money coming from the 2009 Bond Issue, Kendrick Spurling seconded. John Glover yea vote; Jody Singleton abstained; John Mellown yea vote; Benton Beasley yea vote; and Kendrick Spurling yea vote.

Council Comments:

Councilmen Glover informed the Council that the ditch from Main Street to E Church is grown up and needs to be dug out. Mayor Marler said he would contact the County for help with the project.

Councilmen Singleton informed the Council that a drainage pipe at Walden Pond (near Walter Gay's home) is not big enough to handle the overflow of rainwater when it is raining hard. Mayor Marler and Steve Pitts are aware of the problem and looking into a solution.

Public Comments:

Danny McKinney with Headland Renaissance asked if the sidewalk project had been submitted to DOT. Mayor Marler informed him that it has been submitted but they have not heard back from DOT.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on a motion by Jody Singleton.

Susan Money, City Clerk

Ray Marler, Mayor