

# Regular Session Minutes of the Council of the City of Dora, Alabama

July 8, 2014

The Council of the City of Dora, Alabama met in the Dora Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m. We were led in prayer by J. C. Poe. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Randy Stephens.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Randy Stephens. Roll call was taken by Marcy Brown. Present at the meeting were, Robert Busby, Richard Lovelady, Clyde Nix, Betty Sanders, George Sides, Jr., Gary Thomas and Hezikiah Walker. A quorum was in attendance.

The minutes of the June 24, 2014 Regular Meeting was reviewed. A motion was made by Richard Lovelady to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Robert Busby. All in favor and motion carried.

## **Old Business**

Mayor Stephens gave an update on T.S. Boyd. The Walker County Board of Education has asked for the City of Dora to pay for the legal fees relating to the transfer of the property. Gary Thomas made a motion for the city to pay for the legal cost of preparing the paperwork for the transfer of property, not to exceed \$300.00. Robert Busby seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – Yes; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- Yes; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezikiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed.

Mayor Stephens gave an update on the armory. A proposal was presented on tearing the armory down and rebuilding for a cost of \$58,577.75. After much discussion, more investigation is needed on whether to restore or rebuild.

Mayor gave an update on the playground mulch and stated that it would have to be bid out unless U.S. Communities could come in lower than the quotes already obtained.

**Item # 7 – Departmental Reports** – The clerk presented the council with financial statements for the first 6 months of the fiscal year. A motion was made by Clyde Nix to approve all of the departmental reports. The motion was seconded by Gary Thomas.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – Yes; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- Yes; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezikiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed.

**Item # 8 – Bill List** – A motion was made Robert Busby to approve the bill list for 07/08/2014. The motion was seconded by Gary Thomas. All in Favor and the motion passed.

**Item # 9 – Tree Grant** –Clerk Marcy Brown informed the council that the city had been awarded a tree grant in the amount of \$975 from Alabama Power.

**Item #10 –Use of Park** – Gary Thomas made a motion to approve the use of the park on Oct 18<sup>th</sup> from 9-4 for a Gospel Fest and also to allow the use of the park on August 9th for an area youth rally.. Clyde Nix seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion passed.

**Item # 11 – Street Department Requests** – Robert Busby made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 stihl weed eaters at a cost of \$379.00 each. Gary Thomas seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – Yes; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- Yes; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezekiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed.

**Item # 12 – Fire Department Requests** – Robert busby made a motion to approve the purchase of a new generator for the fire station. Mr. Busby wanted two more quotes and also to check the state bid list and go with lowest amount. Gary Thomas seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – Yes; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- Yes; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezekiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed.

**Item # 13 – Rising Star Baptist Church Road Project** - Richard Lovelady made a motion to pay for the materials in the amount of \$3,100.00 to tar and gravel the Rising Star Baptist Church Road. Gary Thomas seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion passed.

Mayor Stephens announced that we were in the beginning stages of acquiring a grant for \$5,000.00 through CAWACO.

A reminder was given about the community meeting to develop a strategic plan for Walker County that will be held July 31, 2014 at Dora High School from 5-7 p.m..

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Randy Stephens  
Mayor

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Marcy Brown  
City Clerk