

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

July 28, 2015

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 Ralph Parker. 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 Hezekiah Walker. A quorum was in attendance.

The minutes of the July 14, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Gary Thomas 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 the golf course club house and presented the first draft of the blueprints. After discussion and suggestions were given, Mayor Stephens stated that he would give the suggestions and ideas to the architect.

Mayor Stephens stated that there would be a meeting with First National Bank at the Dora City Hall at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 31, 2015. All were invited to come.

George Sides, Jr. made a motion to table the park and civic center policies until further discussion is made. Hezekiah Walker seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

A workshop is needed to work on these policies and a date of August 4, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. was chosen to work on the policies.

**Item # 7 – Departmental Reports** – A motion was made by Robert Busby to approve all departmental reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Gary Thomas. All in favor and the motion passed.

**Item #8— Bill List** – A motion was made by Gary Thomas to approve the bill list for 7/27/2015. The motion was seconded by Clyde Nix. All in Favor and the motion passed.

**Item #9—Police Department Requests** – Mayor Stephens announced that he had named Sgt. Jared Hall as the new chief. Clyde Nix made a motion to set the chief salary at \$35,000.00. Gary Thomas seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby –Yes; Richard Lovelady – No; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- No; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezekiah Walker – No; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed. 5 – Yes and 3 – No

Richard Lovelady made a motion to approve an additional \$300.00 for Chief Hall to purchase new chief uniforms. 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 – No; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed. 7 – Yes and 1 – No

Hezekiah Walker made a motion to send Chief Hall to the upcoming chief's conference at a cost of \$644.00 which included the conference fees well as hotel room. The motion was seconded by Betty Sanders. All in favor and the motion carried.

Gary Thomas made a motion to stripe and add the police equipment to the new Dodge Charger at a cost of \$6050.00. 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.

**Item #10 – Fire Department Requests** – George Sides, Jr. made a motion to purchase 10 Fire manuals needed for a class to certify the volunteer firemen at a cost of \$95.00 each (\$950). Gary Thomas seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

**Item #11 – Executive Session** – Robert Busby made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the general reputation, character and professional competence of a certain public official, not an elected official. 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; Hezikiah Walker –yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed. 8 – Yes

Gary Thomas made a motion to leave executive session and return to the regular meeting. Richard Lovelady seconded the meeting.

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. 8 – Yes

Robert Busby made a motion to adjourn. Clyde Nix seconded the motion. All in favor and meeting adjourned.

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Randy Stephens  
Mayor

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Marcy Brown  
City Clerk