

Special Session Minutes of the Council of the City of Dora, Alabama

August 19, 2014

The Council of the City of Dora, Alabama met in the Dora Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. We were led in prayer by Mayor Randy Stephens. 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. Absent was Hezekiah Walker. A quorum was in attendance. Hezekiah Walker arrived at 5:05 p.m.

Mayor Stephens stated that the purpose of this special called meeting was to discuss the repairs to the armory, purchase of golf course equipment, approve rate increase for business license, and purchase of new street equipment.

Gary Thomas made a motion to amend the agenda in order to add executive session as an item. Clyde Nix seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion passed.

Item #5 – Armory –After a lengthy discussion on the repairs to be made to the armory and changes made, George Sides, Jr., made a motion to approve, with the changes as noted, the specification list for the armory repairs, and the bids are to be opened 30 days from first day of posting. Gary Thomas seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion passed.

Item #6 – Golf Course Equipment – George Sides, Jr., made a motion to purchase a new Toro chemical sprayer from the state bid list for \$42,000.00. Motion failed due to lack of no second.

Clyde Nix made a motion to bid out for a used chemical sprayer with a 1 year warranty not less than 3 years old. Robert Busby seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – Yes; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- No; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezekiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion passed. Yes – 7 No – 1

Don Cummings present to the council a list of all the price quotes received on the purchase of a new mule. Greenville Turf was the cheapest with a quote of \$10,107.00 on a HPX John Deere 4x4.

Item #7 – Business License - The clerk, Marcy Brown, informed the council that she had reviewed the business license rates from Ordinance #1, 2007 and had drafted a new business license schedule with an increase of \$25.00 across the board. There had been no increase in business license rates since 2007. After much discussion and deliberation on the business license schedule from Ordinance #1, 2007, George Sides, Jr., made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration to vote on Ordinance #2, 2014 with the new rate increase and that if there were changes to be made they would come back and amend the ordinance. Clyde Nix seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – No; Richard Lovelady – Abstained; Clyde Nix – Yes; George Sides, Jr.- No; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – Yes; Hezekiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, Yes. The motion failed due to a unanimous yes vote.. Yes – 5 No – 2 Abstain - 1

Item #8 – Street Department Equipment – George Sides, Jr. made a motion to pre approve the purchase of a new boom/arm for the street department tractor prior to December 31, 2014, and to sell the pull behind grass cutter currently on the tractor. Robert Busby seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Robert Busby – Yes; Richard Lovelady – No; Clyde Nix – No; George Sides, Jr. - Yes; Betty Sanders –Yes; Gary Thomas – No; Hezekiah Walker – Yes; and Randy Stephens, No. The motion failed. Yes – 4 No – 4

Gary Thomas made a motion to enter into executive session to meet with Attorney Dan Pickens regarding pending litigation from a past employee. Richard Lovelady 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. Yes – 8

After executive session ended, Gary Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. George Sides, Jr., seconded the motion. All in favor and meeting was adjourned.

Randy Stephens
Mayor

Marcy Brown
City Clerk