



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Council Meeting - 6:30 PM
CENTER POINT CITY HALL

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

B. Invocation

Pastor Charles Parker, Center Point Church of Christ led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

D. Roll Call

Councilwoman Copeland, Councilman Williams, President Collins

E. Public Comment

1. Mr. & Mrs. Mullen of 2528 6th Street NE expressed concern about an invoice they received for debris pickup. Mrs. Mullen stated that the debris actually belonged to her neighbor. When they first received the initial notice, she mentioned that they had already removed the debris on their side of the property. Photos were presented to the council as evidence.

President Collins inquired if they had been notified about the abatement public hearing. Initially, they responded negatively. However, Mrs. Mullen later clarified that they had been out of town for weeks and might have missed the sign in the yard.

President Collins assured them that she would follow up with the mayor's office and keep them informed of any updates.

2. Michelle Austin, expressed concerns about possible stolen vehicles being kept in her neighbor's yard. Also, the neighbor does not maintain his yard. Councilwoman Copeland asked if she had contacted the Sheriff's Department. Ms. Austin- yes, but no one lives in the house. President Collins asked the city's attorney to investigate the matter and send a letter to the property owner. Additionally, President Collins will discuss the matter with the Mayor's office.

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F. Approval of Agenda

President Collins presented the agenda for consideration. Councilwoman Copeland made a motion to adopt the agenda. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the agenda was adopted unanimously.

G. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion to adopt the May 4 & 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

G.1. May 4, 2023 & May 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes

H. Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

H.1. Resolution No. 2023-62 Authorizing Travel Advance

I. Presentation

J. Discussion/Action

J.1. Discuss vandalism repair at the park

The ballpark experienced vandalism to the main gate and retainer wall at the concession stand. The city filed an insurance claim. The item was postponed to a subsequent meeting.

J.2. Resolution No. 2023-63 Awarding bid for stairwell project

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion for unanimous consent to consider Resolution No. 2023-63 Awarding bid for the stairwell project. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote.

Yes: Copeland, Williams

No: Collins

The motion failed.

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J.3. Resolution No. 2023-64 Fire Department request

The item was tabled because no one from the fire department was present.

J.4. Consider Enterprise Agreement

President Collins stated that she does not support the Enterprise Agreement, asserting that leasing city vehicles will lead to the city not owning any vehicles, putting the future administration at a disadvantage. Councilman Williams stated the city could possibly not have any vehicles to service the city.

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion for unanimous consent to consider the Enterprise Agreement. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. President Collins called for a roll call vote:

Yes: Copeland

No: Collins, Williams
The motion failed.

J.5. Resolution No. 2023-65 Authorizing Emergency Debris Removal

Tameeka Vann, Municipal Clerk- Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy asked the Code Enforcement Department for help with an emergency debris removal at a property suspected of drug sales and stolen vehicles. There was so much debris they could not access the vehicles to have them towed. The mayor asked President Collins for the ratification of the emergency debris removal.

Councilman Williams made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-65. The motion failed for lack of a second.

J.6. Ordinance No. 2023-4 Rezoning property located at 100 20th Avenue NW from C-1 to I2

Councilman Williams made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4. The motion failed for lack of a second.

J.7. Senior Center HVAC

Councilwoman Copeland made a motion to accept the quote for the senior center HVAC repair. Councilman Williams seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

K. Reports- Mayor & Committee Chairs

K.1. Economic Development/Public Safety- President D.M. Collins

Pops Donuts was voted the 5th best donut restaurant in Alabama.

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K.2. Park & Recreation- Councilman Glenn Williams, Sr.

No report

K.3. Public Works- Councilwoman Tiffany Moore

No report

K.4. Education & Library- Councilwoman Sharon Jones

No report

K.5. Finance Report-Councilwoman Ebonee Copeland, Chair

No report

L. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned.

Tameeka Vann, City Clerk

Approved:

D. M. Collins, President

Date:

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