

City of Margaret

Tuesday, May 16th 2023

6:03 P.M.

In Attendance: Pro-Tem Daryl McIntyre, Councilman Darius Crump, Councilman Matt Tortorice Councilman Jonathan Ray and Councilman James Chapman

Absent: Mayor Isaac Howard III

Pro-Tem Daryl McIntyre called meeting to order

Opening in Prayer: Mr. Beverly

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion:

Councilman Matt Tortorice made a Motion to approve up to \$5,000.00 for the RPCGB to help with redistricting voting districts and asked that each Councilman explain their reasoning for their vote. Councilman Jonathan Ray seconded the Motion. The Motion failed. Three No and Two Yes.

Councilman Matt Tortorice made a Motion for EIB Systems to evaluate an estimate for help to start a preliminary investigation with a forensic audit. Councilman Jonathan Ray seconded the Motion. The Motion failed. Three No and Two Yes.

Waste Water Treatment Plan Operator: Shannon Watters gave a report on Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Program.

Councilman Matt Tortorice made a Motion to approve Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Resolution. Councilman James Chapman seconded the Motion. The Motion passed. Four Yes and One No (See Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Resolution -page 5)

Councilman Matt Tortorice made Motion to approve Council Meeting Minutes from 05-02-2023 with the following changes:

Page 1, 3rd Action – Change: The Motion died from lack of second to: Motion Failed. Three No, Two Yes and No Vote

Page 1, under 5th Action – Add: Mayor Tabled the presentation of Waste Water Treatment Plant Facility Operator

Page 2, under 12th Action – Add: Ownership of Lakeside Road discussed. No Action

Page 3 - Move: Mayor Isaac Howard asked for any more comments: to top of page before Stephen Henry comment.

Page 3 – Under Councilman Matt Tortorice’s comments – Add: Councilman Tortorice recommended three addition Department Heads: Fire Chief, Public Works Supervisor and Utility Supervisor.

Councilman Jonathan Ray seconded the Motion. The Motion passed. Two Yes, One No and Two No Vote.

Councilman Jonathan Ray made Motion to Suspended the Rules to donate \$1000.00 to the Springville High School Varsity Softball Team. Donation to come out of American Rescue Funds if allowed. Councilman Darius Crump seconded motion. The Motion passed. Four Yes and One No Vote. Check should be made payable to St. Clair County Board of Education allocated to Springville High School Varsity Softball Team.

Council agreed for City Attorney Erskine Funderburg to start the process with Hargray to renew Franchise Agreement.

Councilman James Chapman made Motion to donate \$883.34 to BREMSS. Councilman Darius Crump seconded motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman James Chapman made Motion to Table ADEM Report. Councilman Darius Crump seconded motion. The Motion passed. Four Yes and One No Vote.

Councilman Matt Tortorice discussed the 80/20 Comprehensive RPC Plan.

Department Head Discussions:

Council was given Police Dept. Stats. By Interim Police Chief Fields (Police Stats- page 6). Also, the Interim Police Chief requested hiring additional officers and verified that (8) Bullet Proof Vest are accounted for.

Mr. Barker with Inspections had no comments

Fire Chief David Parrish ask for consideration to approve the surplus of the Fire Dept 2009 Ford Expedition and donating the rescue vehicle to the Town of Barney.

Councilman Jonathan Ray made Motion to Suspend the Rules and to Donate the Fire Dept 2009 Ford Expedition to the Town of Barney. Councilman James Chapman seconded motions. The Motion passed unanimously.

Floor Discussion:

1st Citizen discusses concerns of speeders on Levine Road. Mr. Barker will look into cost of adding speed bumps or dips in the road to slow speeders.

2nd Citizen discusses the Sign Ordinance. The Signs on Sanie Road are a safety issue for drives trying to turn on County Road 12. St. Clair County is to be contacted regarding safety issue.

Waterstone Representative discusses concerns with road damage caused by new construction. Council informed that this issue would need more discussion.

3rd Citizen discusses Policy to Record, hiring additional Police Officers and having a City of Margaret Representative for the St. Clair County Economic Development Council. City Clerk is to look into Ordinance on Policy to Record.

Council Discussion:

Councilman Jonathan Ray had some concerns on Road Repairs and Paving.

Mr. Barker gives review on upcoming Road Paving. Each Councilman will need to give Mr. Barker a list of the worst roads in their districts, so they can start discussion on repairing and repaving these roads.

Councilman Matt Tortorice would like to start the process of receiving Grant Funds from the Rebuild Alabama Act to complete and repave Brookhaven Drive.

City Engineer Keith Hager is requested at next council meeting to start discussions on Rebuild Alabama Act for Brookhaven Drive.

Councilman Matt Tortorice had concerns on jobs still being open for employment, current leadership and asked for update on Police Chief Posting.

Councilman Darius Crump discussed Dillard Park. He asked to start the process of getting quotes for resurfacing the Basketball Court and improving Softball Field and Track.

James Chapman made Motion to adjourn. Councilman Crump seconded the Motion.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Daryl McIntyre, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest:

Amanda McCurdy, Water Clerk