

**MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 5:15 p.m. in the Police Department Courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street. Upon call of the roll the following members were present: Council President Johnny A. Knight, President Pro Tem Barbara Flurry, Lucious Cobbs, Linda Grice, and Tony L. Robertson.

Also present: Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Joel Smith, Esq.

Council President Knight called the meeting to order, and Bro. Don Dillard offered the invocation. Council President Knight led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Grice offered a motion to approve the order of the June 15, 2020 agenda. Mrs. Flurry seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Knight reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda for council approval.

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the City Council minutes of June 1, 2020.
- (b) Motion and second to approve the Prepaid Claims Docket dated May 31, 2020, in the amount of \$2,193,194.87.
- (c) Motion and second to approve the Claims Docket dated June 10, 2020, in the amount of \$59,902.63.

Mr. Cobbs moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tibbs announced that the Industrial Access grant for paving the southern Industrial Park was approved in the amount of \$340,000. Several of the existing industrial businesses are expanding and there is promising potential of newly relocating businesses to Eufaula. Hyundai Poly-Tech is also expecting to provide approximately 200 jobs over the next three years. The owners of the Beaulieu building are donating the building to the City of Eufaula. The City of Eufaula has also applied for a joint EDA grant with the Water Works & Sewer Board that is awaiting approval. The grant will be designated to the repair of the infrastructure located in the southern Industrial Park. The street paving project has begun in the Forest Hills Subdivision and will continue throughout the city over the coming weeks.

Mayor Tibbs also announced that repairs are being completed at the local Weedon Field Airport to include work on the hangars, paving, and landscaping. The adjoining north property of the

airport has been purchased and is now a part of the Weedon Field Airport. Continual re-opening of businesses and new developments are taking place in the city.

VISITORS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Knight introduced Ordinance 2020-5 (First Reading – Philips – MPG Zoning). Joel Smith, Esq. gave the ordinance its first reading. Council President Knight then opened the floor to the audience for any comments about the ordinance.

Mayor Tibbs noted that this project will be a positive addition to the city. He stated that providing housing/housing rentals will increase relocation potential for the city, and Mrs. Grice agreed with the Mayor’s opinion. Ms. Patsy McBride and Mr. Steven Parker both agreed that they are also very much in favor of this project and agreed that it will increase relocation options in Eufaula. Mr. Gerald Phillips announced that the Timberland Apartments on State Docks Road are newly renovated and ready for rental.

Council President Knight introduced Resolution 43-2020 (Weed Abatement – Ricky Wilbourne Sr. & Jr., - Ash Street). Mr. Cobbs offered a motion to adopt Resolution 43-2020. Mrs. Flurry seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

**RESOLUTION
43-2020**

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>PARCEL NUMBER</u>
Ricky L. Wilbourne, Sr. And Ricky L. Wilbourne, Jr. 382 Lee Road Smiths Station, AL 36877	Ash Street	0613093230180030000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of June, 2020.

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Johnny A. Knight
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Knight introduced Resolution 44-2020 (Weed Abatement – Minnie M. Wilbourne & Carrie Thomas – Ash Street). Mrs. Flurry offered a motion to adopt Resolution 44-2020. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
44-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>PARCEL NUMBER</u>
Minnie Mae Wilbourne And Carrie Thomas 730 Reynolds Street Eufaula, AL 36027	Ash Street	0613093230180020000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 45-2020 (Weed Abatement – Kenneth Newsome – 1180 Dale Road). Mrs. Grice offered a motion to adopt Resolution 45-2020. Mrs. Flurry seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
45-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Kenneth Newsome 510 Overlook Drive Dothan, AL 36303	1180 Dale Rd.	062403082002027000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 46-2020 (Weed Abatement – Elvis & Eva Screws – West Washington Street). Mr. Cobbs offered a motion to adopt Resolution 46-2020.

Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
46-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>PARCEL NUMBER</u>
Elvis and Eva Screws 17 Lohman Road Clayton, AL 36016	West Washington Street	061309323020016000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 47-2020 (Weed Abatement – Raymond Daniel Watts, Jr., c/o Beverly Caesar – 618 Davis Lane). Mrs. Flurry offered a motion to adopt Resolution 47-2020. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
47-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Raymond Daniel Watts, Jr. c/o Beverly Caesar 136 Highland Avenue Eufaula, AL 36027	618 Davis Ln.	062403051008003000

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 48-2020 (Weed Abatement – Lois Johnson – Ash Street). Mr. Robertson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 48-2020. Mrs. Grice seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
48-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Lois Johnson 291 NW 12 th Ave. South Bay, FL 33493	Ash Street	061309323018006000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 49-2020 (Weed Abatement – James & Lillie McCree, c/o Gloria McCree – West Washington Street). Mrs. Flurry offered a motion to adopt Resolution 49-2020. Mrs. Grice seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
49-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>PARCEL NUMBER</u>
James and Lillie McCree c/o Gloria McCree 185 Windbrook Drive Windsor, CT 06095	West Washington Street	061309323020019000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 50-2020 (Weed Abatement – Annette Johnson, c/o Willie Johnson – Ash Street). Mrs. Flurry offered a motion to adopt Resolution 50-2020. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
50-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Annette Johnson c/o Willie Johnson 225 SW 9 th Ave. South Bay, FL 33493	Ash Street	061309323018008000

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 51-2020 (Weed Abatement – Veta & James Turner – Ash Street). Mr. Robertson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 51-2020. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
51-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Veta and James Turner 589 Gammage Road Eufaula, AL 36027	Ash Street	061309323018004000

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 52-2020 (Weed Abatement – Terry Spence – 155 Linden Drive). Mr. Cobbs offered a motion to adopt Resolution 52-2020. Mr. Cobbs

seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
52-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>PARCEL NUMBER</u>
Terry Spence 155 Linden Drive Eufaula, AL 36027	155 Linden Drive	062403061003005000

Do hereby find that the properties in question constitute a public nuisance due to the weeds and/or trash existing on the properties as defined under Ordinance 1997-13, and do hereby order the abatement of such public nuisance.

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Council President Knight introduced Resolution 53-2020 (Weed Abatement – Ricky Wilbourne – Ash Street). Mrs. Grice offered a motion to adopt Resolution 53-2020. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. After a voice Vote, Council President Knight announced the motion had carried.

RESOLUTION
53-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City Council of Eufaula, Alabama, having examined the report from the Public Works Superintendent for the following properties:

OWNER	LOCATION OF PROPERTY	PARCEL NUMBER
Ricky Wilbourne 382 Lee Road Smiths Station, AL 36877	Ash Street	0613093230180050000

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

Mrs. Flurry offered a motion to accept the resignation of City Attorney Courtney Potthoff effective today, June 15, 2020, due to medical reasons. Mr. Cobbs seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Knight announced that the motion had carried. Mrs. Grice then nominated Joel Smith, Esq. to serve the remainder of the unexpired term. Council President Knight called for any other nominations. There were no other nominations. Mrs. Flurry seconded the motion offered by Mrs. Grice nominating Joel Smith, Esq. After a voice vote, Joel Smith, Esq. was appointed to serve the remainder of the unexpired term set to expire on Monday, November 2, 2020.

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Flurry reported that the budget was over \$770,000 from this time last year. There is a decrease in lodging taxes with a slight decrease in the local gas tax. Garbage collections are down from last year this time due to the termination of commercial garbage pickup. All departments are within budget.

Mrs. Grice reported that the Board of Education is making necessary changes due to the pandemic over the last several months. The Carnegie Library is continuing a gradual re-opening process, but continues to provide curbside service. Mrs. Grice commended Tim Brannon and Chris Dollar for devotedly serving the city.

Mr. Cobbs reported that the community center is continuing a gradual re-opening process and commended the airport renovations.

Mr. Robertson asked that everyone keep Tim Brannon in their thoughts and prayers on his path to recovery.

Council President Knight commended Police Chief Watkins, Fire Chief Feggins, and Chris Dollar for their service to the City of Eufaula. He also announced that the street paving project began today.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by Mrs. Flurry duly made and seconded by Mr. Robertson, adjourned this 15th day of June, 2020.

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