

**MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 5:15 p.m. in the Police Department Courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street. Council President Register called the meeting to order, and Pastor Alvin Godfrey offered the invocation. Council President Register led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll the following members were present: Council President Wes Register, President Pro Tem Otis Hill, Marvin Brown, Ben Garrison, and John Robinson.

Also present: Mayor Jack Tibbs, Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Joel Smith, City Attorney.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Robinson offered a motion to approve the order of the amended agenda for the meeting of October 18, 2021. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows: Yeas: Mr. Robinson, Mr. Garrison, Mr. Brown, President Pro Tem Hill and President Register. Council President Register then announced that the agenda was adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the regular session minutes of October 4, 2021.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Prepaid Claims Docket dated September 30, 2021, in the amount of \$1,453,787.91.
- (c) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated October 13, 2021, in the amount of \$38,681.77.

Mr. Garrison offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced the Consent Agenda was adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT

VISITORS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Council President Register introduced Resolution 96-2021 (Authorize Mayor to Sign Application to Seal Coat Runway at Airport). Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 96-2021 (Authorize Mayor to Sign Application to Seal Coat Runway at Airport). Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 96-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION

96-2021

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula intends to apply for state matching funds to seal coat runway at the Eufaula Municipal Airport during fiscal year 2022.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Eufaula as follows:

1. That the City of Eufaula is authorized to make an application for airport improvement funding assistance to seal coat runway from the State of Alabama Department of Transportation, for the purpose of undertaking this project in fiscal year 2022 to make improvements at the Eufaula Municipal Airport.
2. That the application be submitted for and on behalf of the City of Eufaula by its Mayor who is authorized by this resolution to sign the application and any related forms or documents on behalf of the City of Eufaula.
3. That the City of Eufaula is authorized to enter into an airport improvement funding agreement with the State of Alabama, acting by and through the Alabama Department of Transportation, for the purpose of undertaking this project to make improvements at the Eufaula Municipal Airport with partial funding provided by the State of Alabama.
4. That the agreement be executed in the name of the City of Eufaula for and on behalf of the City of Eufaula by its Mayor.
5. That the authority of the City of Eufaula to enter into contracts with the State of Alabama has been reviewed by the City's attorney, and in his/her opinion, the City of Eufaula is duly authorized to commit the City of Eufaula to an agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Eufaula hereby affirms that the local matching share of funds (estimated \$ 15,000) in the amount required for this airport improvement project has been officially approved, placed into the budget and is available for expenditure upon execution of the State of Alabama's funding agreement and the start of the project.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 18th day of October, 2021.

CITY OF EUFAULA, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

ATTEST:

Wes Register, Council President

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Register introduced Resolution 97-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement - Vernice Moreland Jones, Lee Street). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 97-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement: Vernice Moreland Jones, Lee Street). Mr. Robinson seconded

the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 97-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
97-2021

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
Vernice Moreland Jones 318 Nancy Ross Drive Eufaula, AL 36027	Lee Street	062403052008003000

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 October, 2021.

CITY OF EUFAULA, ALABAMA
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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 98-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement - Fountain Rental Properties LLC, South 431 & Brantly Drive). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 98-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Fountain Rental Properties LLC, South 431 & Brantly Drive). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 98-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
98-2021

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
Fountain Rental Properties LLC P.O. Box 73 Chelsea, AL 35043	South 431 & Brantly Dr.	062403074002001000

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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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 99-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Hattie Mae McElroy, c/o Mary Oliver Bradley, Lee Street). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 99-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Hattie Mae McElroy, c/o Mary Oliver Bradley, Lee Street). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 99-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
99-2021

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
Hattie Mae McElroy c/o Mary Oliver Bradley 211 Rose Circle Middleton, CT 06457	Lee Street	062403052008002000

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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Wes Register, City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 100-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement Willie Steel & Angeline Shingles, Lee Street). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 100-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Willie Steel & Angeline Shingles, Lee Street). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 100-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
100-2021

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
Willie Steele and Angeline Shingles c/o Sammy Hancock 990 SE 23 rd Street Okeechobee, FL 34974	Lee Street	062403052008001000

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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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 101-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Faye Doswell, North Orange Avenue). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 101-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Faye Doswell, North Orange Avenue). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 101-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
101-2021

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>
Faye Doswell 301 Christopher Street Abbeville, AL 36310	North Orange Avenue	061308333012008000

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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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 102-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Veta V. & James L. Turner, 632 Ash Street). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 102-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Veta V. & James L. Turner, 632 Ash Street). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 102-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION
102-2021

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 V. Turner and James L. Turner 589 Gammage Road Eufaula, AL 36027	632 Ash St.	061309323018004000

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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Wes Register,
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 103-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Fixing Costs – William & Antoinette Walker, Wilson Street). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 103-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Fixing Costs – William & Antoinette Walker, Wilson Street). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 103-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
103-2021**

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the City Council of the City of Eufaula, Alabama, examined the report of the Public Works Superintendent, adopted Resolution 65-2021 on July 19, 2021, declaring the property in question constituted a public nuisance due to the weeds existing on the property and ordered the abatement of such public nuisance. The cost of abating the nuisance is as follows:

Parcel # 062403052010015000

9/9/21 – City Crew/1 hr. bush hog	\$ 80.00
Administrative Fee	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
TOTAL DUE	\$ 280.00

Property located on Wilson Street

OWNER: William and Antoinette Walker
c/o Anthony Reeves
15230 Jennerette Lane
Woodbridge, VA 22193

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Wes Register, President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 104-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Fixing Costs – Bessie Lee Rivers, c/o Mary F. Smith, Dale Road). Council President Register then called for comments from the audience. There were no comments. Mr. Brown offered a motion to adopt Resolution 104-2021 (Weed-Trash Abatement – Fixing Costs – Bessie Lee Rivers, c/o Mary F. Smith, Dale Road). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 104-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
104-2021**

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the City Council of the City of Eufaula, Alabama, examined the report of the Public Works Superintendent, adopted Resolution 40-2021 on June 7, 2021, declaring the property in question constituted a public nuisance due to the weeds existing on the property and ordered the abatement of such public nuisance. The cost of abating the nuisance is as follows:

Parcel # 062403052010015000

9/23/21 –	Weedeater & operator, 2 hrs. @ \$60.00 per hr.	\$ 120.00
	Administrative Fee	\$ <u>200.00</u>
	TOTAL DUE	\$ 320.00

Property located on Dale Road

OWNER: Bessie Rivers c/o Mary F. Smith
633 Stevens St.
Eufaula, AL 36027

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Wes Register, President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

Council President Register introduced the Parks & Recreation Board reappointment for Joel Smith, a six-year term that expired October 17, 2021. Mr. Robinson offered a motion to reappoint Joel Smith for a six-year term. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion, and Joel Smith was appointed to a six-year term that will expire October 17, 2027.

Council President Register then opened the floor for nominations for two positions on the Parks & Recreation Board. Mr. Robinson nominated Heather McGowan and Eddie Maldonado. Mr. Garrison seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Council President Register closed the floor for nominations and asked for a roll call vote for Heather McGowan. The vote for Heather McGowan was recorded as follows: Yeas: Mr. Robinson, Mr. Garrison, Mr. Brown, President Pro Tem Hill, and President Register. Nays: None. Council President Register then called for a roll call vote for Eddie Maldonado and the vote was recorded as follows: Yeas: Mr. Robinson, Mr. Garrison, Mr. Brown, President Pro Tem Hill, and President Register. Nays: None. Council President Register then announced that Heather McGowan and Eddie Maldonado were appointed to the Parks & Recreation Board to each serve a six-year term. Both terms will expire October 17, 2027.

Council President Register then opened the floor for a motion and second to reappoint Charlie S. Martin to the Board of Zoning & Adjustments. Mr. Garrison offered a motion to reappoint Charlie S. Martin as supernumerary to the Board of Zoning & Adjustments for another three-year term. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. Council President Register then announced that Charlie S. Martin was reappointed to the Board of Zoning & Adjustments for another three-year term that will expire on October 1, 2024.

Council President Register then called for a discussion on the issue of bees in the Carnegie Library that need to be removed for the safety of all employees and patrons. The cost to resolve this issue is approximately \$12,000, and the library has requested that the city be responsible for ½ of the total cost, or approximately \$6,000.00. Mr. Garrison offered a motion for the City of Eufaula to pay up to approximately \$6,500.00, and for the Carnegie Library to be responsible for ½ of the final cost to get the issue resolved. After a voice vote, authorization was also established to resolve this issue through a resolution as set forth by the motion and second. The resolution for adoption is forthcoming in the next council meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council President Register reported that the Friends of the Library will hold their book sale on October 20-23, 2021, during regular library hours. The C-19 cases have reduced substantially in the city school system. The Eufaula High School band attended the Opp Little Big Horn Band competition and received superior ratings for drum major, majorettes, and percussion.

Mr. Robinson reported that there was a lake cleanup on Saturday, October 16, 2021. On Friday, October 29, 2021, Main Street will host a downtown Trunk-O-Treat for the kids. A first Friday breakfast will be held on Friday November 5, 2021. Main Street Shop Small Event will be held on Friday and Saturday, November 27-28, 2021. The Christmas Tour of Homes will be

held Friday through Sunday, December 3-5, 2021, and Main Street Mistletoe Market will also be held on Saturday, December 4, 2021. Main Street Christmas Open House will be held on Monday, November 1, 2021. Main Street Santa Stroll will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021. The community center is offering sign-ups for youth basketball, and church league softball is active at this time. Eufaula High School had a good first season of flag football with a 5-2 season record.

Mr. Brown shared correspondence from a resident in Chattahoochee Courts requesting improved living conditions in the complex. Mr. Brown has asked council to please assist in solutions that will bring resolution to this request. He also reported that the garbage crew collected and hauled 66 tons of garbage. Trash crews collected and hauled 64 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. The litter crew collected 94 bags of trash throughout the city. The shop crew completed 20 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The department also produced 9 bales of recycled cardboard.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by Mr. Robinson duly made and seconded by Mr. Garrison, adjourned this 18th day of October, 2021.

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