

**MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, November 1, 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: 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 agenda for the meeting of November 1, 2021. President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. 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 18, 2021.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated October 27, 2021, in the amount of \$14,269.31.

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 105-2021 (Authorize Mayor to sign application for airport terminal building). President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 105-2021 (Authorize Mayor to sign application for airport terminal building). Mr. Brown seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 105-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
105-2021**

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula intends to apply for state matching funds to build a terminal 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 build a terminal 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 \$ 500,000) in the amount required for the terminal building project has been officially approved, placed into the capital 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 1st day of November, 2021.

CITY OF EUFAULA, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Wes Register, Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 106-2021 (Authorize removal of honeybee hive). Mr. Garrison offered a motion to adopt Resolution 106-2021 (Authorize removal of honeybee hive). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 106-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
106-2021**

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Carnegie Library obtained estimates for removal of a honey bee hive located between the first and second floor of the library; and

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Carnegie Library Director and board members recommend that Hepburn Pest Control be hired to do the removal for the proposed amount of \$ 12,321.75; and

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Carnegie Library has funds to pay for one-half the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula agreed to fund an amount not to exceed \$ 6,500.00 at the City Council meeting on October 18, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Eufaula ratifies the action taken at the October 18, 2021 meeting.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 1st day of November, 2021.

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Wes Register, Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 107-2021 (Authorize Mayor to Execute Documents with FAA for Airport Rescue). Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 107-2021 (Authorize Mayor to Execute Documents with FAA for Airport Rescue). Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 107-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION

107-2021

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration has funds available authorized by the American Rescue Act for Weedon Field Airport; and

WHEREAS, the amount available to the City of Eufaula is \$ 32,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Eufaula affirms its desire to move forward with accepting the grant funds per the agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Eufaula authorizes the Mayor to execute the American Rescue Act Airport Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 1st day of November, 2021.

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Wes Register
City Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 108-2021 (Authorize loan to Eufaula Rescue Squad). President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 108-2021 (Authorize loan to Eufaula Rescue Squad). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced that Resolution 108-2021 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION
108-2021**

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Rescue Squad revenues have been negatively impacted over the last two years; and

WHEREAS, the Eufaula Rescue Squad purchased an ambulance in the amount \$ 150,288.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula agrees to loan the Eufaula Rescue Squad \$ 150,000.00 to be paid back at \$ 5,000.00 a month for thirty months with no interest, unless additional revenues permit re-payment earlier.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Eufaula approves the loan in the amount of \$ 150,000.00.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 1st day of November, 2021.

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Wes Register, Council President

ATTEST:

Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLIC HEARING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Garrison commended the city staff for their knowledge and professional service to the City of Eufaula.

Council President Register reported that Ronnie Smith, Library Director, and the library board members thanked the Council for their quick response to authorize the removal of the bee hive at the library. The scheduled removal will take place this coming weekend. The Carnegie Library also received funding from the Emergency Connectivity Fund to purchase ten (10) new iPads that may be checked out and taken off-premise by registered library patrons. The Friends of the Library held a successful book sale on October 20-23, 2021. A benefit chicken dinner will be held for the Mock Family on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Tickets will be on sale at the City Schools Central Office, community center, and The Lakeside School. Dinners can be picked up Saturday, November 6, 2021 between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. at the City Schools Central Office.

Mr. Robinson reported that the District VI soccer tournament is taking place this weekend here at Old Creek Town Park. Basketball late registration begins today. Main Street Christmas Open House is being held today, November 1, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A first Friday breakfast will be held on Friday, November 5, 2021 at the Eufaula Chamber of Commerce. 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. The Christmas Parade will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Main Street Santa Stroll will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021. The Halloween Trunk-O-Treat held this past weekend for the kids was a great success.

Mr. Brown reported that the garbage crew collected and hauled 58 tons of garbage. Trash crews collected and hauled 78 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. The litter crew collected 78 bags of trash throughout the city. The shop crew completed 20 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The department also produced 12 bales of recycled cardboard.

Police Chief Steve Watkins estimated that there were approximately 3,800 participants for the Halloween Trunk-O-Treats event. The police department continues to work its open cases to final resolution. Mr. Garrison announced that Wednesday, November 10, 2021, will be the 50th anniversary of Admiral Thomas H. Moorer.

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 1st day of November, 2021.

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Wes Register, City Council President

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