

CITY OF MOULTON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2017  
@ 5:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Roger Weatherwax

Council Members: Brent White  
Joyce Jeffreys  
Denise Lovett  
Cassandra Lee

Absent: Jason White

Mayor Weatherwax called to order the meeting and ask for a motion to amend and dispense reading of the minutes of September 25, 2017 per request of Cassandra Lee. Brent White made the motion to amend and dispense of the reading of September 25, 2017 minutes and the motion was seconded by Joyce Jeffreys. A roll call vote was taken with all present voting in favor. The Mayor then ask that the minutes of October 2, 2017 be approved and the reading of them be dispensed. A motion was made by Joyce Jeffreys and seconded by Denise Lovett, with all in favor.

Resolution 2017-013 was introduced to Council which gives permission to a request that had been previously submitted by Barbara Carroll, Patsy Williams and Mark Dutton to form and organize a "Downtown Redevelopment Authority." Cassandra Lee questioned several aspects of what this group really was going to do and how they would report to the City Council and what roles the Council had in such a group. Several of the questions she ask had no definite answers due to the fact that this is the first step for this group to be formed is to get Council approval. Brent White spoke to the group's objective he feels is to organize and then come to the Council with their desires, wants, and plans at a later date. A motion to suspend the rules and move forward with a decision on this resolution was made by Brent White, and seconded by Denise Lovett. A roll call vote was taken to this effect with all ayes. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Brent White, and seconded by Denise Lovett with all in favor except Cassandra Lee wanted to make it clear that she wanted for the members of this group to come back before the Council.

Resolution 2017-014 was introduced to Council naming the appointees to the Board of Zoning & Adjustments (see attached list). Motion to suspend the rules and move for immediate action on this resolution was made by Brent White, and seconded by Denise Lovett. A roll vote was taken with all voting in favor.

Greg Dutton, Water Superintendent was present and made a presentation concerning work to be done at the Water Treatment Plant that will save the City money once complete on electrical charges but will greatly control surges of water to areas by replacing the existing pumps with variable pumps. Installing the new pumps will also basically insure maintenance free for hopefully 20 to 25 years. Bids were let on the project and were opened on September 28, 2017 with B. H. Craig Construction Company being awarded the contract, this is a SRF-project.

Also introduced was Resolution 2017-015 Designating Official Representative to file on behalf of the Applicant and application form a loan made by the Alabama Drinking Water Finance Authority. A motion to suspend the rules and move for immediate action on this matter was made by Brent

White and seconded by Denise Lovett. A roll call vote was taken with all voting in favor. A motion to approve the Resolution was made by Brent White and seconded by Joyce Jeffreys to make Mayor Roger Weatherwax the representative. With all voting in favor. Brent White spoke about how much he appreciated the hard work that Greg Dutton and the Engineers and done to prepare for these improvements and for informing the Council as well of all this information. Denise Lovett posed the question to Mr. Dutton if all the charges were included in the amounts for this project. Mr. Dutton responded that “Yes” it was an all-inclusive amount given to the Council.

Since the Downtown Merchants group dissolved there was a need to appoint someone to be in charge of using funds that were originally given to that group for different events etc. so Resolution 2017-016 was introduced naming The Lawrence County Chamber with this commission. A motion to suspend the rules and move for immediate consideration was made by Brent White and seconded by Denise Lovett with a roll call vote with all in favor. A motion to accept this resolution as stated was made by Denise Lovett and seconded by Brent White.

At a previous meeting Mayor Weatherwax had presented Council with a letter from Jack’s Restaurant requesting that the City consider a sales tax break for 10 years at a 50/50 division between them and the City if they chose to locate a new restaurant on AL Hwy 157. Mayor Weatherwax spoke with the League of Municipalities and was informed by their lawyer staff that it would be illegal for the City to meet the request made by Jack’s. So hearing this new information the Council all agreed that they could not meet that request.

Keisha Davis by letter request personnel leave due to extended sickness for 3 weeks beginning October 24, 2017. A motion to approve the leave was made by Joyce Jeffreys and seconded by Denise Lovett with all in favor.

The Surface Water Meeting is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> a request was made for Greg Dutton, Stanley Nichols, and Daniel Jenkins to attend. The motion to honor this request was made by Brent White and seconded by Denise Lovett.

Deroma Pepper requested approval to attend Municipal Clerks Conference to obtain CMC credit December 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. A motion for approval was made by Denise Lovett and seconded by Brent White.

The International Code Council will be teaching at the Association of North Alabama Code Officials Annual Education Conference in Decatur, AL and Renay Saint has request approval to attend. A motion for him to attend was made by Joyce Jeffreys and seconded by Denise Lovett.

Motion to adjourn was made by Denise Lovett and seconded by Brent White.

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Roger Weatherwax, Mayor

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Deroma Pepper, City Clerk

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Brent White, Council Member

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Cassandra Lee, Council Member

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Joyce Jeffreys, Council Member

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Denise Lovett, Council Member