## MINUTES CITY OF HARTFORD AUGUST 23, 2021

The City Council of the City of Hartford, Alabama, met in the conference room in city hall at 6:00 pm on August 23, 2021. The following members were present: Mayor Neil Strickland, Councilman Ted Thompson, Councilman Zane Fowler, Councilman Paul Blount, Councilman Ron Adams and Councilwoman Melissa Clements via Face Time.

Others in attendance: Vicky Marsh, Jerry Sorrells, Annie Ward, Jackie Dillard, Ronnie Driskell, Jeff Hatcher, John Burton, Mark Smith, Christina Hirschy, Daniel Terry, Dustin Reed, Vernon Alford, Ana Ricardo and Sylvia Williams.

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order, and Councilman Blount opened with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

August 2, 2021, Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Thompson. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

August 9, 2021, Work Session Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Adams.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

•Sylvia Williams complained about sewer backing up on Williams Circle and water leak.

## AGENDA:

- 1. MARK SMITH AUDIT REPORT Mr. Smith discussed audit report.
- 2. RONNIE DRISKELL Recommendation of Award for Sewer Outfall Easement Clearing, CDBG Project #SM-CM-PF-20-005, be awarded to Tri-State Land Clearing, LLC.
- 3. RESOLUTION 08-23-21-1 AWARD CDBG SEWER PROJECT LAND CLEARING Councilman Adams made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-23-21-1, which motion was seconded by Councilman Fowler. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
- 4. RESOLUTION 08-23-21-2 FUNDS FOR LANDFILL Councilman Adams made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-23-21-2, which motion was seconded by Councilman Fowler. Councilman Blount voted nay and Councilman Thompson voted nay. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
- 5. RESOLUTION 08-23-21-3 AWARD BID FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS Councilman Blount made a motion to adopt Resolution 08-23-21-3, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

## Mayor

- •Spoke with William Scott about grants.
- •Asked Mr. Hatcher if he has received opinion from Attorney General. Mr. Hatcher stated he has not.
- •Announced Gary Lee Enfinger turned in his resignation. Councilman Fowler made a motion to accept resignation of Gary Lee Enfinger, which motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

# Councilman Thompson

- Asked when lead pipe replacement was going to start.
- •Asked how the sewage problem would be resolved on Williams Circle, problem may be on Ollie Glass. Mr. Sorrells stated they would need to look in the manholes.

## Councilman Fowler

•Councilman Fowler made a motion to go into executive session after the regular council meeting, which motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

## Councilman Adams

• Appreciates work getting done even though a lot of employees have been out with Covid.

## **DEPARTMENT HEADS**

## Jerry Sorrells

•Ollie Glass and Line Street caving in. Cones have been put out.

#### Vicky Marsh

•Thanked the Mayor and Council for the Thank You note.

Councilman Fowler moved to go into executive session at 7:00 to discuss good name and character of an employee, which motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof. No minutes are recorded during executive session. Councilman Fowler moved to return to regular session, which motion was seconded by Councilman Blount. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Adams. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

**Presiding Officer**