MINUTES FROM A WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD April 15, 2024

The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle Shoals City Hall auditorium in said City at 5:00 p.m. on the 15th day of April 2024. The following members were found to be present or absent, as indicated:

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, GINA CLARK, WILLIS THOMPSON, KEN

SOCKWELL, DAVID MOORE

ABSENT: NONE

Ken Sockwell, Council President, presided at the meeting. Mayor Mike Lockhart was also present. Jalen Johnson, Director of HR/Assistant City Clerk was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

The City Council interviewed the following applicants for the position on the Muscle Shoals Board of Education in the City Hall Conference Room before beginning the work session in the auditorium: Jeremiah Stoddard and Caitlin Burns.

Upon completion of the interviews, the City Council reconvened their work session in the auditorium at 5:30 p.m.

Ryan Kennedy, Assistant Director of Public Works, and Brittney Walker, City Clerk/Treasurer spoke about the elevator at the crosswalk on Avalon Ave.

Brittney Walker and Jalen Johnson, Director of HR/Assistant City Clerk, updated the Council on the personnel meetings that took place last week.

David Moore, Council Member, distributed handouts to the Mayor and other Council Members regarding new EPA regulations.

James Vance, Manager of the Muscle Shoals Utilities Board, discussed information on the new EPA regulations.

The council reviewed agenda items.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA

A Municipal Corporation

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE ONE

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE THREE

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FOUR

COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FIVE

ATTEST:

Jaken Johnson Director of HR/Assistant City Clerk

MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD April 15, 2024

The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle Shoals City Hall auditorium in said City at 5:50 p.m. on the 15th day of April 2024 being the scheduled place for said meeting once the previously held work session ended. The meeting was called to order by Ken Sockwell, Council President. On roll call the following members were found to be present or absent, as indicated:

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, GINA CLARK, WILLIS THOMPSON, KEN

SOCKWELL, DAVID MOORE

ABSENT: NONE

Ken Sockwell, Council President, presided at the meeting and declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was convened and opened for the purposes of transaction of business. Mayor Mike Lockhart was also present. Jalen Johnson, Director of HR/Assistant City Clerk, was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

The invocation was given by James Vance. President Ken Sockwell led in the pledge of allegiance.

Upon motion duly made by Council Member Moore and seconded by Council Member Clark and unanimously adopted, the Council waived the reading of the minutes of the previously held regular meeting and work session of April 1st, 2024, and approved the minutes as written.

Mayor Lockhart updated the Council on the current status of the mid-year budget and mentioned the upcoming mid-year budget amendments.

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was consideration of approving the request of Chief Reck to provide a cash advance to the two officers going to the police academy. Council Member Clark made a motion to approve the request; Council Member Moore seconded that motion.

President Sockwell stated that approval of the motion and second was before the Council. Those in favor of the application would indicate so by voting aye and those opposed would indicate by voting nay. Upon said question being put to a vote, a roll call was had, and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: All NAYS: None

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was consideration of approving a resolution for the renaming of State Street to Pumping Station Road. Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve the resolution; Council Member Hall seconded that motion.

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COLBERT

RESOLUTION NO. 3310-24

WHEREAS, the City of Muscle Shoals recognizes the need for updating and improving the street naming system within the municipality for the purpose of clarity and navigation;

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Council that the current name of Blaine Avenue, also sometimes referred to as State Street, no longer adequately fulfills the need for clarity and navigation or identity of the area;

WHEREAS, after due consideration and consultation with relevant stakeholders including residents, businesses, and emergency staff, it has been determined that renaming Blaine Avenue, also sometimes referred to as State Street to Pumping Station Road Name] is in the best interest of the City and its citizenry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA:

- 1. That the name of Blaine Street, also sometimes referred to as State Street, be officially changed to Pumping Station Road effective from the date of passage of this Resolution.
- 2. That the relevant city departments, including, but not limited to, Public Works, Building Department and the Office of the City Clerk, are directed to take all necessary actions to implement this change, including updating maps, signage, records, and databases.
- 3. That appropriate public notice of this change be provided through local media outlets, official city communication channels, and any other means deemed necessary to inform residents and businesses affected by this change.
- 4. That all previous references to Blaine Street, also sometimes referred to as State Street, going forward in official city documents, contracts, and communications be updated to reflect the new name of Pumping Station Road.
- 5. That a copy of this Resolution be kept on file with the City Clerk's office and made available for public inspection upon request.

President Sockwell stated that approval of the motion and second was before the Council. Those in favor of the application would indicate so by voting aye and those opposed would indicate by voting nay. Upon said question being put to a vote, a roll call was had, and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: All NAYS: None

President Sockwell announced that the next item of business was to appoint a member to the Muscle Shoals Board of Education. Roll call was given to record a revote, and the vote of each Council Member is the following:

Council Member Hall:

Caitlin Burns

Council Member Clark:

Jeremiah Stoddard

Council Member Thompson:

Jeremiah Stoddard

Council Member Sockwell:

Jeremiah Stoddard

Council Member Moore:

Jeremiah Stoddard

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon the motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

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