

**MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD
JULY 3, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Hartford, Alabama, met in the conference room in city hall at 6:00 p.m. on July 3, 2017. The following members were present: Mayor Jeff Sorrells, Jo Ann Lindsey, Bobby Burks, Ken Hales, Paul Fondren and Wendel Nolen.

Others in attendance: Vicky Marsh, Dennis Dorriety, Vernon Alford, Edward Hatcher, Ronnie Driskell, Devin Watson, Jacob Henderson and Mike Ford

Mayor Sorrells called the meeting to order and Councilmember Fondren opened with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

With the council having read the minutes from the regular meeting of June 19, 2017, Mayor Sorrells asked the wishes of the council. Councilmember Fondren moved to approve the minutes of June 19, 2017, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Nolen. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

AGENDA:

1. **MIKE FORD** – Mike Ford of 516 South Baldwin Street, Slocomb, addressed the council concerning a sewer problem at Newbirth Emanuel Outreach Church located at 310 West Kirkland. Mr. Ford stated that he hired someone to tap into the city sewer but there was a storm drain between the church and tap. He stated that he was advised he will have to install a sewer pump which he does not have the funding to do so. Mayor Sorrells advised the city would evaluate the situation but the city could not go on private property to install a pump.
2. **OPEN BIDS FOR CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT** – Mayor Sorrells opened the bid received from First National Bank. First National bank bid .35%. Councilmember Nolen moved to accept the bid from First National Bank, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Hales. Mayor Sorrells abstained from voting. All other members voted yea. Mayor Sorrells declared the motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Sorrells

- Mayor Sorrells stated that Engineer Ronnie Driskell has information on the sewer rehab project. Mr. Driskell presented a map of the proposed area and stated that he needed a good cost estimate in order to apply for the grant. He suggested getting pictures of the system which will cost \$72,750.00. The council agreed for Mr. Driskell to camera the system.
- Mayor Sorrells stated that a budget amendment of \$5,000 was needed in order to purchase a lawn mower for the recreation department. The \$5,000 will be from cash in checking to rec maintenance. Councilmember Fondren moved to amend the budget, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Nolen. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

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Ken Hales

- Councilmember Hales stated that he enjoyed Freedom Fest and suggested that the lights be turned on when it is over and that the grass is cut.

Wendel Nolen

- Councilmember Nolen asked that the police make a list of street lights that are out.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no other business to come before this meeting of July 3, 2017, Councilmember Fondren moved to adjourn, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Hales. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.



Presiding Officer