

**MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD
JANUARY 19, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Hartford, Alabama, met in the conference room in city hall at 6:00 pm on January 19, 2021. The following members were present: Mayor Neil Strickland, Councilmember Melissa Clements, Councilman Ted Thompson, Councilman Zane Fowler, Councilman Paul Blount, and Councilman Ron Adams.

Others in attendance: Vicky Marsh, Annie Ward, Jerry Sorrells, Attorney Jeff Hatcher, Gary Enfinger, Daniel Terry, Roy Harris, Christina Hirschy, Jynicka Walker, Wendy Strickland, Rich Brannon, Jim Morris, David Davis, Eva Watkins, Kelli Brannon, Hayden Blount, David Schutz, and Leanna Windham.

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

December 26, 2020 Executive Session Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Adams, seconded by Councilman Fowler. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

January 4, 2021 Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Thompson. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

January 12, 2021 Executive Session Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Fowler, seconded by Councilman Blount. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

AGENDA:

1. **SCHUTZ INSURANCE** – Mr. Schutz presented a quote for liability insurance. Councilman Adams moved to accept the quote with the three-year guarantee option, which motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson. Roll call: Mayor Strickland abstained, Councilmember Clements yea, Councilman Thompson yea, Councilman Fowler yea, Councilman Blount abstained, Councilman Adams yea. Motion carried.
2. **U S TANK- TANK MAINTENANCE CONTRACT** – Jim Morris discussed maintenance contract on both water tanks. Attorney Hatcher asked that the council give him time to research the contract. He advised the council cannot enter a contract for more than three years.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Strickland

- Gave update on armory property
- Discussed salary increase for police chief and city clerk

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Councilman Fowler

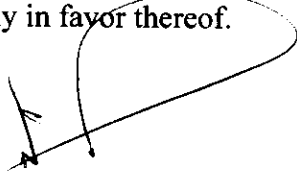
- Submitted a Sourcewell quote from Bondy's Outdoor Equipment, LLC to purchase a Kubota Tractor with attachments for the recreation park. Councilman Fowler moved to amend the budget to purchase the tractor, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams. Councilman Blount moved to withdraw funds from the general reserve certificate of deposit when it renews in March, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams.
- Chlorine taste complaint from a resident on Loveless Street

Councilman Adams

- Councilman Adams moved to provide a space for the Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce in the community center, provide internet service and purchase a computer, which motion was seconded by Councilman Fowler. Attorney Hatcher stated the city cannot give anything of value to an individual, profit or non-profit organization. Roll call vote: Councilmember Clements nay, Councilman Thompson nay, Councilman Fowler yea, Councilman Blount nay, and Councilman Adams yea. Motion failed.

ADJOURNMENT:

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



Presiding Officer