

**MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD
FEBRUARY 7, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Hartford, Alabama, met in the conference room in city hall at 6:00 pm on February 7, 2022. The following members were present: Mayor Neil Strickland, Councilman Zane Fowler, Councilman Ron Adams, Councilman Ted Thompson, Councilwoman Melissa Clements, and Councilman Paul Blount.

Others in attendance: Vicky Marsh, Jerry Sorrells, Annie Ward, Jackie Dillard, Anabella Ricardo, John Burton, Ronnie Driskell, Jeff Hatcher, Jonathan Pippin, Scott Farmer, Jim Marshall, Todd Brannon, Dawn Ivey, and Hayden Blount.

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

January 18, 2022, Minutes – Motion to approve by Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Fowler. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Todd Brannon discussed ARPA funds.

AGENDA:

1. **SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY** – Dawn Ivey presented a renewal contract for Southeast Alabama Solid Waste Disposal Authority. Councilman Blount made a motion to accept contract, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
2. **JIM MARSHALL – UTILITY RATE STUDY** – Presented sample rate study completed for another city. Councilman Fowler made a motion to hire Jackson Thornton to do a rate study for the city, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams. Roll Call: Mayor Strickland yea, Councilwoman Clements nay, Councilman Thompson nay, Councilman Fowler yea, Councilman Blount yea, and Councilman Adams yea. Motion passed.
3. **SCOTT FARMER – ZONING ORDINANCE** – Mr. Farmer presented a draft Zoning Ordinance for review.
4. **RONNIE DRISKELL – SEWER PROJECT UPDATE** – Mr. Driskell updated Mayor and council on sewer outfall clearing, sewer outfall rehabilitation, lagoon water hyacinth removal, Railroad Street/Slocomb Road water and sewer improvements, landfill expansion, Third Avenue FEMA study, and discussed State Revolving Fund Applications. Councilman Fowler made a motion for Ronnie Driskell to move forward and apply for the State Revolving Funds, which motion was seconded by Mayor Strickland. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
5. **SET WE/DRY PUBLIC HEARING** – Mr. Hatcher stated there is no mandate for public hearing on wet/dry issue. Resolution will need to be voted on at next council meeting.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Strickland

- Requested council meeting of February 21 be moved to February 22. Councilman Adams made a motion to move council meeting of February 21 to February 22, which motion was seconded by Councilman Blount. The council voted unanimously in favor thereof.
- Asked for ideas to recognize Mom's Kitchen.

Councilman Fowler

- Landon Lindsay asked to renew contract with Eric Craft to do concessions and add basketball concessions to that contract. Councilman Fowler made a motion to renew contract with Eric Craft and add \$400.00 for basketball concessions, which motion was seconded by Councilman Adams. All members voted yea except Councilwoman Clements opposed. Mayor Strickland declared the motion carried.

Councilman Adams

- Attended Father/Daughter dance. Great event decorated nice.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Assistant Fire/Rescue Chief John Burton

- Waiting on insurance adjustor on Rescue 4.
- Numbers are coming up and having more transfers.

Chief Annie Ward

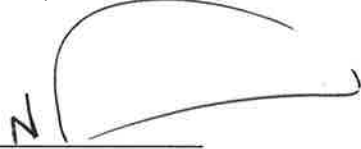
- Update on robberies, waiting on DNA profile reports.

Jerry Sorrells

- Lots of progress being made.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Blount, seconded by Mayor Strickland. Motion carried.



Presiding Officer