

January 19, 2010

The Mayor and Council of the City of Calera met on January 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Calera City Hall with the following present:

Mayor: Jon G. Graham

Council Members: Ernest Montgomery, Mike Roberson, David Bradshaw, Chris Bunn, Ed Gentry, Bobby Joe Phillips

Department Heads: Doug Smedley, Sewer Operations Director
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
Sean Lemley, Police Chief
Janet Greathouse, Library Director
Hilton Shirey, Deputy Fire Chief
Mike Wood, Building Official
Mike Kent, Zoning Official
Roy Hadaway, Finance Director
David Jones, Public Works Director
Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief

Guests: Sherry Farmer, Rebecca Krueger

Mayor Graham called the meeting to order. Council Member Roberson made a motion to approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting – January 4, 2010
Work Session – January 4, 2010
Special Called Work Session – January 12, 2010

Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Mike Kent, Zoning Official advised the Mayor and Council Members that the Senior Citizens Van is in need of repairs. The estimated repair costs are approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000.

Mike Kent, Zoning Official requested approval to carry over an additional 5 days of accrued vacation leave until February 28, 2010. Janet Greathouse, Library Director requested approval to carry over an additional 43 hours of accrued vacation leave until February 28, 2010. Council Member Bradshaw made a motion to approve the carry over requests. Council Member Gentry seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

David Jones, Public Works Director advised the Mayor and Council Members that there is an open position in the Parks and Recreation Department. Mr. Jones requested permission for the City Clerk to post the vacant 3B position. Council Member Bunn

made a motion to approve the posting of the vacant position in the Parks and Recreation Department. Council Member Phillips seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

Sean Lemley, Police Chief advised the Mayor and Council Members that the Calera Police Explorers left a bank balance at Central State Bank in the amount of \$1,659.36. Chief Lemley recommend the funds be turned over to the City and placed in the General Fund.

Council Member Roberson made a motion to approve transfer of funds from the Calera Police Explorers to the City General Fund Account. Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

Sean Lemley, Police Chief requested approval for a Budgeted Education Request for the Chief's Conference in the amount of \$ 700.00. Council Member Phillips made a motion to approve the training request. Council Member Gentry seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Roberson asked if any other Council Members were able to ride through the park after dark. Council Member Gentry did so and was in agreement with Council Member Roberson on the need for the additional lighting at Oliver Park.

Council Member Roberson requested an update from Mike Wood, Building Official on the number of permits being sold. Mr. Wood advised the Mayor and Council Members that the Inspections Department is selling approximately from 35 to 40 permits per month.

Council Member Bradshaw requested an update from Mike Wood, Building Official on the status of the Railroad Car on Highway 31. Mr. Wood advised the Mayor and Council Members that the certified mail return receipt has not been received. Council Member Gentry suggested the Fire Department burn the Railroad Car as a training exercise.

Mayor Graham requested authorization from the Council Members to fill the Court Clerk / Magistrate Position with a current city employee. Council Member Bradshaw made a motion to authorize the hiring of the position. Council Member Bunn seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

Council Member Bradshaw had questions concerning the audit letter. Roy Hadaway and Connie Payton explained that all items listed in the letter were being addressed.

Council Member Bunn expressed his gratitude to Outdoors Without Limits for the recent community involvement. Council Member Bunn also thanked David Jones, Public Works Director for the gravel placed at Calera Elementary School.

GUESTS:

Shelby Needham a resident from Waterford Subdivision called shortly before the council meeting to advise the City Clerk that she would be unable to attend the meeting and would address the Mayor and Council Members at a later date.

Sherry Farmer, NAMI a 501c Non Profit Organization was present to request permission for the usage of the Community Center free of charge. Council Member Montgomery made a motion to allow NAMI to use the Community Center the second Thursday of each month for the hours of 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm for 6 months at no charge. Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

NAMI will be responsible for completing the application and cleaning the building after each meeting.

Rebecca Krueger was present to request permission from the Mayor and Council Members to plan a community Farmers Market. Mrs. Krueger wanted to make sure that she had the support from the Mayor and Council before entering the planning stages of the Farmers Market. Council Member Bunn made a motion to allow Mrs. Krueger to begin the planning stages of the Farmers Market. Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion, and upon vote the results were as follows:

AYES: Graham, Montgomery, Roberson, Bradshaw, Bunn, Gentry, Phillips

NAYS: None

Council Member Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Approved this 1st day of February, 2010.

Jon G. Graham , Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk