

April 6, 2015

The Mayor and Council of the City of Calera met on April 6, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Calera City Hall with the following present:

Mayor: Jon G. Graham

Council Members: Ernest Montgomery, Alan Watts, David Bradshaw, Chris Bunn, Philip Busby, Bobby Joe Phillips

Department Heads: Sean Lemley, Police Chief
Reggie Darden, Building Official
Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief
Roy Hadaway, Finance Director
Seth Gandy, Parks and Recreation Director
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
Janet Greathouse, Library Director
Matt Worthen, IT Services Manager

Guests: Harold Cole, Fred Hoskins and Joe Brantley

Joe Brantley called the meeting to order and opened with a Word of Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Bradshaw made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the following minutes:

Regular Meeting – March 16, 2015
Work Session – March 16, 2015

Council Member Phillips seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Seth Gandy, Parks and Recreation Director reminded everyone about the upcoming Strawberry Festival on Saturday, April 25, 2015. The event will be held at Oliver Park.

Chris Pappas, City Engineer discussed the proposed City Hall drawings with the Mayor and Council Members. Mr. Pappas requested approval to begin advertising for the bid process on the City Hall Project. Projected open bid date for the project will be May 20, 2015. Once bids have been awarded and construction has begun, construction time is scheduled for up to 12 months.

Roy Hadaway, Finance Director requested approval for Chris Pappas, City Engineer to move forward with the City Hall Building Project. Total bid authorization will be for \$2.4 which will be divided into two budget years as follows: 2014 / 2015 Budget Year \$1.0 and 2015 / 2016 Budget Year \$1.4

Council Member Phillips made motion to approve the bid authorizations for the total amount of \$2.4 for the project. Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

Council Member Phillips made a motion to approve Chris Pappas, City Engineer to begin advertising for the project. Council Member Bradshaw seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Montgomery was contacted by a developer to discuss a future residential construction development. Mr. Montgomery suggested the developer attend a work session to discuss the proposed project with the Mayor and Council Members.

Council Member Bradshaw requested Reggie Darden, Building Official follow up on a nuisance complaint filed on a foreclosed property on 15th Street. Mr. Darden advised he would make contact with the bank and the current property owner according to tax records concerning the complaint.

MAYOR REPORT:

No report given

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH PROCLAMATION

CITY OF CALERA, Alabama PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

WHEREAS, approximately 23,715 candidates on the nation's organ transplant waiting list received a life-saving or life-enhancing organ transplant in 2014; of those 401 received an organ transplant in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every 21 minutes; and

WHEREAS, nearly 123,213 men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantations, of which approximately 3,737 are on Alabama's list; and

WHEREAS, 6,043 candidates on the national waiting list died waiting for an organ transplant which did not come in time; of those 221 were on Alabama's waiting list.

WHEREAS, the Alabama Organ Center is the non-profit, independent organ recovery organization dedicated to the recovery of high quality organs and tissues for transplantation therapy; and

WHEREAS, CITY OF CALERA, Alabama supports the Alabama Organ Center's life-saving mission;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jon G. Graham, Mayor of the City of Calera, Alabama, do hereby proclaim April 2015 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

In CITY OF CALERA, Alabama we honor all who have given the gift of life, we focus our efforts on the extreme need for organ and tissue donors, and we encourage residents to designate their donation decision and share the decision to donate with family members.

Council Member Bunn made a motion to proclaim April 2015 as Donate Life Month. Council Member Watts seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

On this, the 6th day of April, 2015.

Honorable Jon G. Graham, Mayor

Council Member Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Approved this 20th day of April, 2015.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk