

December 6, 2010

The Mayor and Council of the City of Calera met on December 6, 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: Janet Greathouse, Library Director
Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief
Roy Hadaway, Finance Director
Sean Lemley, Police Chief
Doug Smedley, Sewer Operations Director
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
David Jones, Public Works Director
Mike Kent, Zoning Official
Mike Wood, Building Official

Guests: Randy Krueger, Pinki M. Patel

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

Regular Meeting – November 15, 2010
Work Session – November 15, 2010
Work Session – November 18, 2010

Council Member Bunn seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Sean Lemley, Police Chief reported that the new animal control officer has written several violations for animals running at large as well checking for overgrown lots.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Montgomery requested an update for the Sewage Treatment Plant upgrade that was mandated by ADEM. Doug Smedley, Sewer Operations Director stated that the Sewer Treatment Plant can continue to operate under the current permit for the next 5 years. The levels of Phosphorus allowed in the water has to be reduced each year. He is going to request ADEM do another study that will prove that Phosphorus levels have been reduced to meet the current standards.

Council Member Roberson asked Mike Wood, Building Official if Building Permits were selling. Mr. Wood stated the City was averaging sales of 8-10 permits per month.

Council Member Bradshaw inquired as to how Commercial Property clean up was enforced. Mike Wood, Building Official stated that any complaints received are investigated and the city can request permission to inspect property for safety issues at any time. Property owned by Mr. Cosby (downtown area) was discussed and it was

decided the Mayor would speak with Mr. Cosby to request cleanup and discuss safety issues.

Council Member Bradshaw requested an update on the progress of the Bypass. Chris Pappas, City Engineer will schedule a meeting to get status updates once a month.

Council Member Gentry stated he had received a call from a Senior Citizen concerning transportation to a funeral. Mayor Graham explained that this would be during hours of operation of the center and the center could not be closed to those who were not going to the funeral. Also at this time the city does not have transportation available.

Mr. Gentry questioned if the council voted on reducing the hours worked by the employees of the Senior Center. Mayor Graham informed him that the City is trying to be financially efficient and after observation, it was decided by administration that this would be sufficient hours to operate the center and accommodate all those who attend.

Mayor Graham introduced the following Ordinance to Amend:

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-16

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALERA, ALABAMA:

- (1) **WHEREAS**, the Code of Ordinances of the City of Calera, Alabama is hereby amending Sec 2-12 Smoking, chewing, or dipping in city-owned buildings:

To delete the following:

- (a) Prohibition. Smoking, chewing, or dipping of tobacco in any form or in any way in any city-owned building or structure is prohibited.

And replace with the following:

- (b) Prohibition. Smoking chewing, or dipping of tobacco in any form or in any way in any city-owned building, property or structure is prohibited.

After further discussion, it was decided that more discussion was needed and would be addressed in the future.

Council Member Bradshaw made a motion to appoint the following to the Industrial Development Board: Arthur Davis - term ending 2013, Peggie Higgins - term ending 2014 and Ken Mobley – term ending 2015. Council Member Roberson seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

Council Member Phillips made a motion to appoint Joe Dorris to the Water Board with term ending 2016. Council Member Roberson seconded said motion, and upon the vote, the results were as follows:

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

NAYS: Gentry

GUESTS:

Pinki M. Patel, Rhythm Food Mart
8000 Highway 31
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Transfer of License Request

Council Member Phillips made a motion to accept the Alcohol License Application.
Council Member Roberson seconded said motion, and upon the vote, the results were as follows:

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

NAYS: None

Council Member Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of December, 2010.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vickie I. Lewis, Assistant City Clerk