

MINUTES

**Montevallo City Council Work Session
July 8, 2019
5:30 p.m. at City Hall**

Mayor Hollie Cost, Council Member Willie Goldsmith, Council Member Jason Peterson, Council Member Tiffany Bunt, Council Member Rusty Nix, and Council Member Arthur Herbert were in attendance.

Mayor Cost called the Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Mayor informed everyone that we are working on obtaining a quote for the Council Chamber PA system. The City Clerk noted we have requested information from the County several times and have also contacted an outside contractor for a quote.

Police Chief Jeremy Littleton presented the following:



**Montevallo Police Department
Code Enforcement Activity Report**

Date: 07/08/2019	Inspection Period 06/11/2019	Inspection Period 07/08/2019
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Inoperable Vehicle Inspections:

Inspected: 6	Pending: 3	Closed: 3
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Animal Complaint Inspections:

Inspected: 1	Pending:	Closed: 1
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Abandoned Building Inspections:

Inspected:	Pending:	Closed:
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Property Inspections:

Inspected: 17	Pending: 13	Closed: 4
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Miscellaneous Complaints:

Inspected: 1	Pending:	Closed: 1
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Inspected: <i>JL</i>	Total Inspections this Period: 25	Total Inspections Year to Date: 175
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Montevallo Police Department Code Enforcement Activity Report

Inspections this Period:

- * 88 Western Drive - Overgrown - Left warning ticket on owners door. 10 days to comply.
- * 98 Western Drive - Overgrown - Left warning ticket on owners door. 10 days to comply.
- * 104 Western Drive - 2 inoperable vehicles - was in the 30 day waiting period. Found that the property the two vehicles were on are in the county.
- * 80 Salem Road - Welfare of dog on chain -
- * Bridge at Shoal Creek Park - Checked for graffiti - appeared ok.
- * 101 Buckingham Circle - Grass is over knee high. will send a certified letter.
- * 735 Morgan Street - Debris and automotive parts and tires strewn in the back yard. Several inoperable vehicles also in the back yard. Grass needs cut. I left two warning tickets on the front door.
- * 180 Oxford Circle - Grass has not been cut. Need Certified Letter.

Inspections Pending Continued from Last Period:

- * 78 Western Drive - After more than 60 days, inoperable vehicle still present in the front yard. Work was to resume, after mechanic recovered from heart attack, but as of this date nothing has changed. Deadline 7 July 2019.
- * 171 Oxford Circle - Occupants and/or Owners will not accept certified letters. Placed a copy of the letter next to the trash bags in front of the house. Still no action taken to clean up the area or cut the grass.
- * 171 Oxford Circle - On June 26, 2019, I sent them a letter of extension to July 26, 2019. I also attached a copy of the letter to the residence, above the garbage bags. On July 8, 2019 I again checked the property and found they had removed the garbage bags and they were working on cleaning up. Still have a lot to do.
- * 220 Graham Street - property has been bulldozed but they left piles of the rubbish pushed over against the neighbors property. I have sent them another certified letter and attached a copy of the letter to one of the brush piles.

Cases Closed this Period:

- * 104 Western Drive - 2 inoperable vehicles - The vehicles are not in the city limits of Montevallo.
- * 80 Salem Road - Dog has sufficient room to move around in a well shaded area and has access to food and water.
- * 110 Cambridge Circle has been mowed.

Other Comments:

Montevallo Police Department Stats

	January-19	February-19	March-19	April-19	May-19	June-19	July-19	August-19	September-19	October-19	November-19	December-19	Total
Total Reports	81	104	126	120	134	106							671
Criminal Cases	35	27	17	30	55	50							214
Non-Criminal	3	5	7	5	0	3							23
Traffic Accidents	13	12	16	26	18	12							97
Traffic Citations	181	199	190	200	158	214							1142
DUI Arrests	5	4	3	6	7	8							33
Public Intox Arr	1	1	5	3	4	1							15
Alias Arrests	9	26	24	11	19	14							103
Juvenile Arrests	0	0	2	1	1	0							4
Misd Arrests	4	6	3	4	8	3							28
Felony Arrests	1	2	2	6	3	2							16
Drug Related	15	8	5	8	9	7							52
Total Arrest	35	47	42	39	49	34							246
Auto Thefts	0	2	0	0	0	0							2
Burglaries	1	1	3	3	1	2							11
Auto Recoveries	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Auto Burglaries	1	2	0	1	1	2							7
Criminal Mischief	0	4	4	0	2	4							14
DV. Related	4	7	7	11	13	11							53
Assaults	2	5	1	5	2	3							8
Fraud/Forgery	0	2	2	0	4	2							10
Harass / Reck	2	2	7	11	11	4							37
Misc. Offenses	16	19	19	15	26	22							117
Robberies	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Thefts / Attempts	11	1	9	9	4	6							40
Suicide Attempts	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Suicides	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Deaths	1	0	0	0	0	0							1

Karen Kiker
6:47 AM
7/6/2019

Fire Chief Bill Reid reported they responded to 99 calls in June – down a bit from this time last year. Most of these were medical calls. He said the 4th of July was uneventful. They responded to a couple mutual aid calls in June – a fire in Alabaster and a false alarm at the Mayhan Dental Clinic. They are currently getting their fleet serviced.

Mayor Cost said she met with the Fire Marshal about tracking when our AEDs are used.

The Chief noted those defibrillators each come with an 8 year service warranty.

Council Member Nix asked if we have defibrillators everywhere they are needed. The Mayor said we completed Phase I of the installation project. However, there are still other sites which would benefit from defibrillators.

Council Member Herbert updated the Council on ValloCycle. They have a group ride on July 12th and their next meeting is the 18th. He also mentioned that at the recent Sustainability Committee meeting they recommended the Council authorize the Mayor to hire a Sustainability Coordinator for the city. They also recommended that we

change the garbage route schedule as recommended by V Adams at Waste Pro, but keep our curbside recycling service as it is.

Kirk Hamby, Director of Public Works, said he supports the change in the pick-up schedule. He said the new schedule will be similar to our leaf & limb schedule. He commented that over the years Waste Pro has figured out every way not to pick-up our garbage on time. Hopefully, this will be the way that actually works.

Mr. Hamby also noted the flags around the city. They were up through the 4th of July and will go back up before Labor Day. He said they were up along HWYs 119 and 25, and that there were approximately 80 flags in all.

Council Member Nix reported that the Senior BBQ and Bingo event was a great success. He said there were 13 seniors at the event. The BBQ was delicious and everyone won a prize. It was a lot of fun.

Shane Baugh, Director of Parks & Recreation, said there were no tournaments in town over the holiday weekend. However, there are more coming next weekend. He also mentioned that we are placing directional markers along the trails at Shoal Creek Park to help guide hikers through the trail system. He said the park is being used a lot.

Council Member Nix reminded everyone of the Planning Commission on July 18th at 6:00 p.m.

Abigail Heuton reported the MJCC will not meet this summer. However, they are volunteering to assist with the August 1st "Just Show Up" concert. They are also preparing for their retreat in August.

Library Director Savannah Kitchens provided the following report:

Library Director's Report Notes

City Council

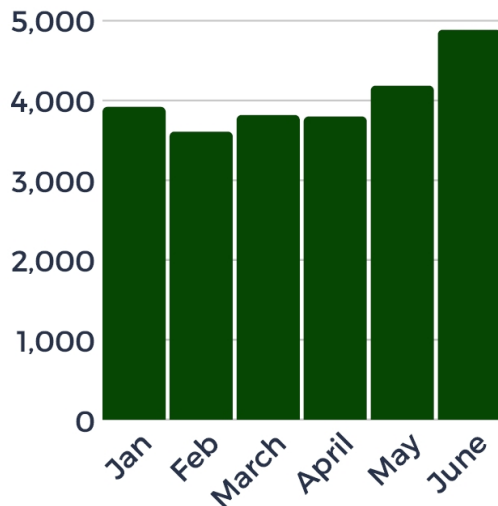
July 8, 2019

- Current Projects
 - o Summer Reading is over
 - We did 28 programs in 30 days
 - 686 attended, 126 signed up for the reading program portion
 - With a participation total of 686 and a population total of 6674, 10% of our city's population participated in Summer Reading at the library this year
 - o We're in the final stages of installing StoryWalk (preparing the book page inserts)
 - o Children's Summer Musical Theater Workshop will begin this month (Parnell Memorial Library Foundation)
 - o Received our reimbursement from LSTA 2019 grant project
- Deposits
 - o Month of June deposits:
 - \$4,674.48

Parnell Memorial Library

JUNE 2019

CIRCULATION



PROGRAMS: 28 TOTAL

- 4 storytimes with Mr. Mac
- 2 teen crochet events
- 1 teen bookmark contest
- 4 teen crafts
- 4 kids' crafts
- 4 kids' movies
- 1 Magic Tree House Book Club
- 1 LEGO Club Party
- 5 special family events
- 1 end-of-summer-reading party
- 1 adult Genealogy program

JUNE 2019 DEPOSITS

6/4/19 - \$154.00

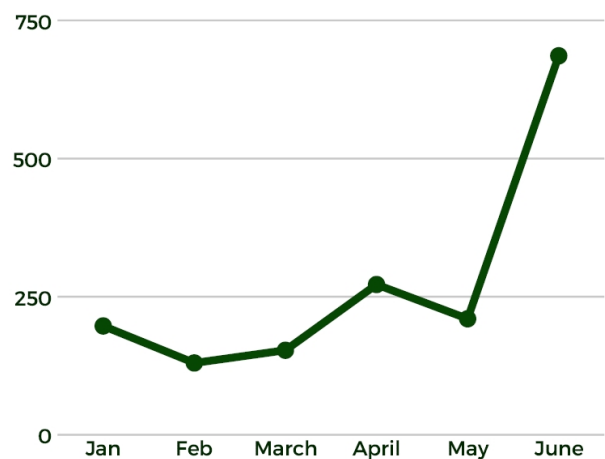
6/11/19 - \$182.69

6/18/19 - \$163.05

6/25/19 - \$4,174.74

TOTAL: \$4674.48

PROGRAMMING



4,876

Materials
Circulated
+17%

686

attended library
programs
+226%

404

Computer Use
-1.2%

Council Member Bunt thanks Ms. Kitchens and said we appreciate everything she and her staff do.

Mayor Cost reported that the Sister City delegation is in Japan. They are staying very busy and having a great time. They will be back home in a few days. We are working on assembling the adult delegation which will go to Echizen Town in October to sign the continuation of our Sister City Agreement.

Montevallo Main Street Director Courtney Bennett submitted the following:

Report to City Council
July 8, 2019



Investment Statistics (May 2019):

- **Façade Renovations: \$4,000**
 - Team Lehman, The Dive Bar
 - *Total YTD: \$30,500*
- **Other Building Rehabilitation Projects and New Construction: \$15,000**
 - Team Lehman, The Dive Bar
 - *Total YTD: \$185,000*
- **Buildings Sold:**
 - n/a
- **New Business Openings:**
 - The Dive Bar – 4 jobs
 - The Art Studio – 1 job (opened in June)
 - *Total YTD: 5 new businesses*
- **Businesses Relocating or Expanding:**
 - Kimble’s Boutique – 1241 Valley Street
 - *Total YTD: 2 businesses relocating or expanding*
- **Businesses Lost from the Main Street District:**
 - Brass Monkey Outfitters
 - *Total YTD: 2 businesses lost from Main Street District*
- **Volunteer Hours: 150**
 - *Total YTD: 1,031*

Properties for sale/rent within the Main Street District:

- **Sale:**
 - Former Eclipse (1032 Main St.) – listed by Nathan Stamps, 205-665-0095
 - Office building (951 Island St.) – listed by Nathan Stamps, 205-665-0095
 - Lot on Island Street for sale or build to suit—listed by Bob Nesbitt, 205-939-8219
- **Rent:**
 - Former Emma Gray (840 Main Street)—text Scott Reneau, 205-229-1476
 - 742-746 Main Street – call Urmish Patel, 205-982-9171

Announcements:

- Montevallo is one of 4 communities featured in Main Street Alabama’s upcoming promotional video. A crew filmed at several Main Street District businesses on Friday, June 28.
- 143 community members and visitors attended Friday Nights at the Cove on June 28. This follows 130 at our April 26 event, and 152 at our May 31 event.
- We are currently accepting donations from private donors for our Façade Improvement Grant Program. Anyone interested in donating can contact the Main Street Director.

Special Events:

- **Thursday, July 11:** Board of Directors’ meeting at 8 AM at 845 Valley Street.
- **Friday, July 26:** A special “Back to School Bash” edition of Friday Nights at the Cove from 7-9 PM at Owl’s Cove Park featuring DJ Digital Entertainment, sponsored by Rausch Coleman Homes.

Respectfully submitted,
Courtney Bennett
Executive Director

In Steve Gilbert’s absence, Council Member Peterson presented the Chamber report:



Montevallo Chamber of Commerce Activity Report 2nd Quarter 2019

April 2019 Activities

- Attended MDCD Meeting Reported on Chamber activities April 1
- Attended Legislative Drive-in with Shelby County Chamber. Annual visit to Legislature in Montgomery. Meetings with State Representatives, Questions and Answer sessions with Department Chairs, for Transportation, Medicare, State Corrections and Census Program
April 2
- Attended Shelby County Chamber Luncheon in Columbiana. Set-up display to Promote Tourism in Montevallo and the Tinglewood Festival April 4
- Conducted Tours of the City with potential Theater Department Job Candidates at UM April 5, April 9, and April 11
- Attended and Co-Hosted with Shelby County Chamber Eggs and Issues Breakfast with Congressman Gary Palmer April 16 Attendance (150)
- Hosted Monthly Chamber Luncheon. Guest Speaker: Clay Nordan Montevallo Historical Society A look at Historic Montevallo Main Street April 17
- Provided photographs of Montevallo sites to 58 Inc. for presentation to be used at Retail Sales Convention in Las Vegas. Also provided updated available properties list including contact and leasing information.
- Tinglewood Festival Meeting April 23
- Meeting with Marty Vice from Iron RE-Health to discuss Chamber of Commerce of Alabama's Group Health Plan offerings for Chamber Executives and Chamber Members. April 23
- Hosted Annual Chamber Golf Tournament at Montevallo Golf Club 13 Teams of 4 Players participated. Funds Raised \$6,300
- Meeting with Lisa Ponder Real Estate to discuss Montevallo Real Estate Market opportunities. April 26 (New Chamber Member)
- Meeting with April Stone Hoover Chamber of Commerce. Planning for co-hosted events with Shelby County Chamber and Chamber Executive networking
- Membership Renewals: University Investments, Blue Phrog Gallery, Falcon Art Supply, Huddle House, Frios and The Type Shop
- New Members: Shelby Community Church

May 2019 Activities

- Monthly Chamber Board Meeting May 1
- Facilitated meeting with Shelby County Legislative Delegation and the owners of Siluria Brewery to discuss pending legislation effecting taxing of beer and expansion of brewing industry. Owners would like to expand operations to Montevallo
- Attended MDCD Meeting gave report on Chamber Activities. Updated lighting project for Walker's Alley.
- Conducted City Tour with Carmichael Library Job Candidate May 7
- Contacted Tommy Fell with Alabama Film Commission regarding incentives for film producers in the state. Bill before Alabama Legislature to increase incentives
- Prepared tents and tables for annual Farmer's Market beginning on June 3rd.
- Hosted Monthly Chamber Luncheon Guest Speaker Dee Woodham. Presentation on Shoal Creek Park plans May 15
- Attended Military Appreciation Luncheon UM Office of Veterans and Military Affairs May 16
- Co-hosted and attended annual Small Business Awards Reception at Heatherwood Country Club. 4 businesses from Montevallo were nominated in respective categories. May 20
- Provided Lunch for 35 Volunteers from the Alabama National Cemetery Support Group. Work Day before Memorial Day Celebration A joint project with Montevallo Rotary Club May 21
- Tinglewood Festival Committee Meeting May 21
- Meeting with Mayor Cost to discuss Chamber Budget May 21
- Co-hosted and attended Annual Shelby County Small Business Awards. Montevallo Businesses were recognized as nominees in their respective business category: C's Cake and Coffee House,
- Main Street Tavern, Falcon Art Supply and Fotowerks Photography May 22
- Attended Montevallo Recycling Forum at the American Village May 30
- Published and delivered Chamber Chatter Newsletter (Summer Edition 1,450 Copies) May 31
- Membership Renewals: Dixie Decorations, Trustmark Bank, Sheriff John Samineigo
- New Members: Courtney Perrine Massage Therapy, Lisa Ponder Real Estate, La Conchita Bakery

June 2019 Activities

- Monthly Chamber Board Meeting June 5th
- Attended MDCD Meeting gave report on Chamber Activities.
- Hosted Farmer's Markets on June 3rd, June 10th, June 17th, June 24th Average Number of Vendors 16
- Hosted Monthly Chamber Luncheon June 19th Guest Speaker Aaron Mahaeny. Presentation on University of Montevallo's new Swimming Teams. Luncheon hosted by University of Montevallo
- Conducted Tinglewood Festival Committee Meetings June 4th and June 18th
- Conducted Tour for 40 Visitors from Auburn 1st United Methodist Church. Bus Tour of Campus and the Community, arranged a guided tour of Tinglewood with Tim Tingle and Lunch at Main Street Tavern. The group concluded their visit with a tour of the American Village. June 27th
- Published and delivered Chamber Chatter Newsletter (Summer Edition 1,450 Copies) June 28

- Membership Renewals: The Dive Bar, Southern Sweet, Support Committee for Alabama National Cemetery
- New Members: Tom Sanders, Trustmark Bank
- Marketing Meeting with UM Athletic Director Mark Richard and Coaching staff to discuss Chamber marketing of UM Athletic events. Planning for “Chamber Nights” at Basketball, baseball and Softball Games - June 26
- Tourism Luncheon Marriott 280 with Shelby County Chamber and Shelby County Tourism Work Group. Set –up display table to market Tinglewood Festival approx. 150 in attendance - June 26
- Attended Montevallo Rotary Club Meeting, gave update on Chamber activities. June 27
- Hosted Chamber BBQ Picnic and Citizen of the Year awards. Held at UM Student Retreat. Approx 100 in attendance- June27

Council Member Peterson also noted that Bill Glosson submitted his resignation as a member of the Historic Preservation Commission. He thanked Mr. Glasson for his service to the city. He said there would be no meeting this month.

Mayor Cost also expressed her sincere appreciation for Mr. Glosson’s service to our community. She also congratulated Susan Godwin on her new role as President of the Montevallo Historical Society.

The Mayor then continued to review the Agenda items with the Council.

Reschedule Public Hearing for 110 Samford Street Weed Abatement to August 12, 2019

Authorize Establishment of a New Bank Account at Trustmark for the 10 Cent Gas Tax – The City Clerk explained this is the new tax and has to be segregated in its own account.

- **Municipality Fuel Tax Revenue Distribution** – Municipal governments will receive 8.33% of the total fuel tax revenues from the new 10-cent per gallon fuel tax, after costs of collection and distributions to the Alabama Highway Finance Corporation to finance State Docks improvements. This allocation will be distributed to the municipalities as follows:
 - 25% of the amount shall be allocated equally among all municipalities in the state.
 - 75% of the amount shall be allocated among the municipalities of the state on the basis of the ratio of the population of each municipality to the total population of all municipalities of the state according to population projections from the U.S. Census Bureau Population and Housing Estimates Program and will be updated every five years.

Local Government Funding: Uses, Restrictions, Financing and Other Funding Opportunities

Funding Uses Allowed

- The revenue allocated to counties and municipalities from the Rebuild Alabama Act must be deposited into a separate fund maintained by the county or municipality and expended only for the following:
 - The maintenance, improvement, replacement, and construction of roads and bridges maintained by the county or municipality.
 - As matching funds for federal road or bridge projects.
 - The payment of any debt associated with a road or bridge project.
 - For a joint road or bridge project with one or more adjoining counties or one or more municipalities pursuant to any agreement executed under the authority of state law.
 - For a joint road or bridge project with one or more counties and municipalities pursuant to any agreement executed under the authority of state law.
 - Any Class 1 through 4 municipality that currently provides or operates public transportation services may utilize an amount not to exceed 10% of the net tax proceeds received annually to match any available federal or state transportation funding available for public transportation infrastructure improvements.

Funding Restrictions

- The revenue allocated to counties and municipalities from the Rebuild Alabama Act shall NOT be used for the following purposes:
 - Salaries, benefits, or any other form of compensation for county, municipal, or contract employees or for county or municipal officials except as included as project costs.
 - The purchase, lease, or maintenance of equipment, other than equipment purchased and permanently installed as a part of a road or bridge project.
 - The maintenance or construction of public buildings/structures not integral to the road/bridge system.

Financing

- A county government may pledge up to 50% of its total revenue received from the Rebuild Alabama Act as security for the issuance or refinancing of any loan or debt obligation used for transportation infrastructure improvement, preservation and maintenance.
- A municipal government may pledge 100% of its total revenue received from the Rebuild Alabama Act as security for the issuance or refinancing of any loan or debt obligation used for transportation infrastructure improvement, preservation and maintenance.

Approval of Film Production Company Request – A representative from the production company addressed the Council and explained their request.

Montevallo City Council Meeting

July 8, 2019

6:00 p.m. at City Hall

Mayor Hollie Cost, Council Member Willie Goldsmith, Council Member Jason Peterson, Council Member Tiffany Bunt, Council Member Rusty Nix, and Council Member Arthur Herbert were in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Call to Order – Mayor Cost called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Approval and/or corrections of the minutes –6/24/19 – Council Member Herbert made a motion to approve the Minutes from May 28, 2019 as corrected. Council Member Peterson seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Recognitions / Awards: NONE

Opportunities for citizens to speak to the Council: NONE

Committee Reports and Consideration of Bills:

Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement)– Discussed earlier.

Sustainability (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives) – Discussed earlier.

Recreation, Preservation and Community Development (Parks & Recreation, Golf Course, Youth Athletics, Trails, Planning & Zoning, Annexations,) – Discussed earlier.

Education, Arts & Outreach (Schools, UM, Boys & Girls Club, Library, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk) – Discussed earlier.

Finance, Economic Development & Tourism (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Historical Commission, Main Street) – Discussed earlier.

Council Member Nix made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Council Member Bunt seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Consent Agenda: NONE

New Business:

Reschedule Public Hearing for 110 Samford Street Weed Abatement to August 12, 2019 –

Council Member Peterson made a motion to reschedule the Public Hearing for the 110 Samford Street weed abatement to August 12, 2019. Council Member Nix seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Authorize Establishment of a New Bank Account at Trustmark for the 10 Cent Gas Tax -

Council Member Peterson made a motion to reschedule the Public Hearing for the 110 Samford Street weed abatement to August 12, 2019. Council Member Nix seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Approval of Film Production Company Request –

Mayor Cost pointed out this request is to utilize the site locations only – not city personnel. They will need to talk to Chief Littleton about the rest. It will be up to him whether or not they can assist with the film.

Council Member Nix asked if this is the same company that produced the zombie film. They said it is. It is available on Amazon.

Council Member Nix made a motion to authorize the use of the sites within the city as requested by the film company. Council Member Goldsmith seconded. ALL AYES . . . MOTION APPROVED.

Old Business

Update on proposed contract with the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham – Mayor Cost said she met with representatives from RPC last week. She asked them to attend the next Finance Committee meeting. She will reach out to Shelby County, as well. They will be able to explain the differences in what they are able to do for us regarding the Comp Plan update.

Board Appointments:

Nomination of one member to the County Board of Equalization – Still need a nominee. In response to a question from Council Member Bunt, the Mayor noted the deadline is August 15th. Council Member Nix asked what their responsibility is. The City Clerk said they authorize the property tax reassessments.

Other Business:

Council Member Nix discussed the proposed Sustainability Coordinator position. He said he agrees there needs to be someone at the Recycling Center more consistently. We also need help people understand how to properly use both the drop-off center and curbside recycling. He noted that K.W. Plastics in Troy is looking for plastic to recycle. He suggested we consider taking our material directly to them instead of a MRF. He said we could also focus on aluminum cans, scrap metal and other items where there is a market. He said he's like to see the job description, and make sure the person knows how to operate the bailer and other equipment at the Center. He also suggested we need to reconsider offering curbside service.

The City Clerk explained the background related to the ongoing concerns regarding our recycling efforts and our need for a Sustainability Coordinator.

Council Member Herbert said he understands the concerns about curbside service. However, he fears that stopping the service, even temporarily, would get people out of the habit of recycling.

Council Member Nix said he would like to see the money we save by halting curbside recycling used to hire a new Coordinator.

Council Member Bunt asked the Council Members to look at the proposed location for the new sign at Orr Park and provide their feedback.

Citizen Participation:

Susan Godwin thanked Council Member Nix for bringing up the recycling issue. She said the discussion helped to clarify a lot of things for her.

Veronica Bailey discussed an issue with Animal Control. Mayor Cost said Mr. Hamby would talk to her about that issue after the meeting. Mr. Hamby said they responded a week or so ago and her daughter was able to catch the dog at that time. He said they will pick up the trap this week.

There being no other further business before the Council, Council Member Nix made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Peterson seconded. ALL AYES . . . MEETING ADJOURNED at 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Herman Lehman
City Clerk