# **MINUTES**

Montevallo City Council Work Session
December 27, 2023
5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member David King, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Kenneth Dukes, Council Member Sonya Swords. Quorum present. Absent: Council Member Martha Eisenberg.

Work Session called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Nix.

#### **Discussion of New Business Items:**

- Discussion to amend the 2023 2024 Budget for Parnell Library Expenditures for repairs. (Lighting, Plumbing, Building Repairs)
- Discussion to transfer funds in the amount of \$10,000 from Parnell Library Operating Account to the City General Fundi

# **Mayor Nix called for Committee Reports:**

**Public Health & Safety:** (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement and Planning & Zoning) Mayor Nix called on Council Member King for Public Health & Safety. Council Member King called on Lt. Harrelson for the Police Department report. Lt. Harrelson reported Chief Littleton was unable to submit a written report due illness in the department.

Council Member King advised Chief Davis was unable to attend the meeting. Council Member King read the written report for the Fire and EMS Department; there were 70 Calls for the first half of December. See Appendix 1.

Sustainability: (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives, and Historical Commission) Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the Sustainability Report. Council Member Dukes called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported Christmas decorations will begin coming down on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and should be completed by January 5<sup>th</sup>; Paving will begin Friday in Indian Highlands – Creek Street, Tecumseh Street and then Wilson Drive; the Recycling Center has been very busy after the Christmas holiday as there is a high volume of paper, boxes, etc. he reported there were 19 hauls yesterday and 26 hauls today to the landfill which is normal this time of year; Leaf and Limb is picking up live trees with no lights if placed along curb (no artificial trees).

**Recreation, Preservation and Community Development** (Parks & Recreation, Youth Athletics, Trails, Annexations)

Mayor Nix called reported Council Member Eisenberg was absent due to illness and there are no reports from Parks and Recreation.

Education, Arts & Outreach (Schools, Library, UM, Boys & Girls Club, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk, IMPACT) Mayor Nix called on Council Member Mitchell for Education, Arts and Outreach. Council Member Mitchell called on Marissa Wilson, Director of the Parnell Memorial Library. Marissa reported December was busy with activities at the library; holiday movies averaged 35-45 attendees; January the library will have its normal weekly programs; Drama Class is offered every Thursday; AARP will be offering free tax preparation every Monday and Thursday beginning in February; a Medicare representative will be at the library every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday to answer questions; blood drive is to be held on January 19<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-6pm. See Appendix 2.

Council Member Mitchell advised Sarah Hogan, Program Director of Impact Montevallo was unable to attend. Council Member Mitchell reported Sarah has been working on the IMPACT budget; the SROs will be back in schools on January 3<sup>rd</sup> when the students return. No written report was submitted.

Council Member Mitchell reported students would return to schools on January 3rd.

Council Member Mitchell reported the American Village is closed from December 15<sup>th</sup> until January 1<sup>st</sup> for the holidays.

**Finance, Economic Development & Tourism** (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street) Mayor Nix called on Council Member Swords for the Finance, Economic Development & Tourism Reports.

Council Member Swords reported the Finance Committee would normally be held tonight but due to the holiday, the Finance Committee information will be presented by City Clerk Steve Gilbert. She reported Council has financial documents in their packets. City Clerk Gilbert read the Sales Tax Breakdown and the City of Montevallo Bank Accounts.

Council Member Swords advised Courtney Bennett, Executive Director, Montevallo Main Street was unable to attend the meeting and no written report was submitted.

Council Member Swords called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Adele reported the Montevallo Chamber of Commerce will be entering its 75<sup>th</sup> year on January 1<sup>st</sup>; Chamber Chatter will be delivered on Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>; she reminded everyone the MLK Celebration March, hosted by the Shelby County NAACP, will be on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>; Adele reported the Montevallo Chamber program will feature Mayor Rusty Nix presenting the annual "State of the City Address" on January 17<sup>th</sup> at the library. See Appendix 3.

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## Pledge of Allegiance

Council Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. by Mayor Rusty Nix.

Mayor Nix called for Approval and or corrections of the Minutes 12.11.23 – Motion by Council Member Mitchell, seconded by Council Member Dukes; Abstain by Council Member Dukes; All Ayes, Motion passed.

**Recognitions / Awards: Proclamation Honoring Dr. Terry Sutton** - Pastor: Mayor Nix read and presented the Proclamation to Dr. Sutton. See Appendix 4

Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council: None

### **Consent to Pay the Bills**

Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to Pay the Bills. Council Member King made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes. Motion passed.

# **New Business:**

- Resolution 12272023-227 to amend the 2023 2024 Fiscal Budget of the City of Montevallo to increase Budget line item Building and Repair and Maintenance for Parnell Library from \$3,500 to \$13,500. (Lighting, Plumbing, Building Repairs). Motion made by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed.
- Resolution 12272023-228 to transfer funds in the amount of \$10,000 from Parnell Library Operating Account to the City General Fund. Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, seconded by Council Member King, All Ayes, Motion

passed.

**Old Business: None** 

**Board Appointments: None** 

Citizen Participation: None

**Other Business: None** 

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Nix called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Council Member King, Seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes. Meeting Adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Submitted by:

Steve Gilbert

City Clerk / Treasurer

# Montevallo Fire Department City Council Report 12.27.28

# December 1st- December 15th 2023

EMS- 40 Lift assist- 14 Structure Fire- 2 Brush Fire- 4 Electrical Fire- 0 Vehicle Fire- 0 Appliance Fire- 1 Fire Alarm - 3 MVC- 4 Fuel Spill/ gas leak- 0 Assist other agency- 1

**Assist Public-1** 

**Assist Law Enforcement-0** 

Total Calls for the first half of December - 70

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# PARNELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

**DECEMBER 27, 2023** 

- December has been super busy.
- We kicked off the Christmas Break with Animal Tales: Holiday Safari, as well as our week of Christmas movies.
- We had about 35-45 for each movie, and we ended with a huge Grinch party and watched the classic Grinch, which had about 60 in attendance.
- January will have our normal weekly programs, like Homeschool Hub, Mini Music, Storytime, and tiny Tumbling.
- We are Having a Drama Class every Thursday at 3:30, for middle and high schoolers. And Script readers every Thursday at 6:30 for high schoolers and adults.
- January will be filled with lots of mini movies, on Tuesday's at 10:45, and Family Fun Night will be January 2nd, where we will watch Frozen and have popcorn.
- AARP will be offering FREE tax preparation at the library, every Monday and Thursday, starting in February, by appointments only. Call the library to make an appointment. This is a free service, and it is for any age.
- A Medicare representative will be coming to the library every 3rd Wednesday, at 3:30 to give info and to answer any questions about Medicare. This is a Free service. They will be here on January 17th.
- January 19th, we will be having a blood drive at the library from 1-6. We plan on doing the Red Cross blood drive every few months at the library. The link is already online and posted on FB to make an appointment.
- We will be CLOSED January 1 for New Years.

# 12/27/2023 Chamber/Council Report

- 1) Jan 2024 Chamber Chatter will be delivered on Friday, Dec 29
- 2) When the clock strikes midnight on January 1, 2024, The Montevallo Chamber of Commerce will be entering its **75th year**. The new year will be filled with history, remembrance and celebration!
- 3) Reminder- 20th **Annual MLK Celebration March** hosted by the Shelby County N.A.A.C.P. will be Monday Jan 15 10am, lineup behind McDonald's 9:30am and March to MHS with program at 11am
- 4) "State of the City Address" Chamber Luncheon / Annual Meeting will be on Wed. Jan 17, 2023 from 11:30am to 1pm; noon lunch, at Parnell Library meeting room \$15.00 per person, Sponsor Trustmark Bank



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# PROCLAMATION Honoring Dr. Terry Sutton, Pastor

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry Sutton, Pastor of Montevallo First Baptist Church is retiring after 16 years; and

WHEREAS, He has been successful in leading Montevallo First Baptist Church in numerical growth and direction to the enhancement of the church facilities; and

WHEREAS, Sutton was the recipient of the 2015 Civic Leader Award; and

WHEREAS, He was the recipient of the Rotarian of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Sutton was the President of the Montevallo Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, He was a member of the Board of Directors for Shelby Emergency Assistance; and

WHEREAS, Sutton was a member of the Parnell Memorial Foundation Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, He was the recipient of the Scholarship Award to Leadership Shelby County from the City of Montevallo; and

WHEREAS, Sutton was recognized as the 2023 Shelby County Citizen of the Year at the Annual Diamond Awards; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sutton's last sermon at Montevallo First Baptist Church will be on December 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rusty Nix, Mayor of the City of Montevallo,

do hereby honor Dr. Terry Sutton for his service and leadership to the City of Montevallo and congratulate him on his retirement.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.



Mayor Rusty Nix