

MINUTES

Montevallo City Council Work Session

January 22, 2024

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 Martha Eisenberg, Council Member Sonya Swords. Quorum present.

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

Mayor Nix called for Discussion of New Business Items on Agenda:

- Discussion regarding the Cleaning and Repairs to Storm Drain Inlets on Canterbury Road / Wilson Drive from ARPA Funding. Not to exceed \$14,000.00
- Discussion for the Request for Funding from Capital Reserve Account for Repairs / Replacement to Parnell Library HVAC System (Main Library Unit). Estimate \$75,000.00

Mayor Nix Called for Committee Reports:

Mayor Nix called on Council Member King for Public Health & Safety: Council Member King called on Chief Littleton for the Police Department report. Chief Littleton reported there were 120 Total Cases for the Month of January. See Appendix 1.

Council Member King called on Chief Davis for the Fire Department Report. Chief Davis reported there were 56 Calls for the first half of January. See Appendix 2.

Council Member King reported the Planning and Zoning Commission met January 19th and reported to Council changes to R-1 and R-2 regarding Garage Apartments; Reviewing auxiliary structure language for suggesting a change of square footage in addition to percentage so that whichever is less would apply to property.

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Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approval and or corrections of the Minutes 01.08.24 – Motion by Council Member Mitchell, seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed.

Recognitions / Awards: None

Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council: Bobby C.P. Pierson 1131 Oak Street asked Council who to contact about a directional sign to be installed for church. He was referred to Kirk Hamby, Public Works Department.

Mayor Nix Called for Committee Reports to Continue:

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Dukes for the Sustainability Report. Council Member Dukes called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported during the recent cold weather the city only had to close one street, sections of Overland Road due to ice, for approximately 30 hours; he reported on the recent paving of streets and for informed Council of upcoming paving projects on the list.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Eisenberg for Recreation, Preservation and Community Development. Council Member Eisenberg reported Shane Baugh, Parks and Recreation Director had to leave due to youth sports basketball. She reported youth sports are going strong; Spring sports registration sign-up is open (cheer, soccer, etc.).

Mayor Nix called for the Education, Arts and Outreach Committee Reports. Council Member Mitchell called on Marissa Wilson Director of Parnell Memorial Library. Marissa reported the library held a successful blood drive; library is forming a Teen Advisory Board; February calendar will be posted tomorrow; AARP is at the library for anyone needing taxes done for free. See Appendix 3.

Council Member Mitchell called on Sarah Hogan, IMPACT Montevallo. Sarah reported she would be attending a certification class tomorrow to learn strategies for youth mental health and substance issues; City of Ashland contacted IMPACT about the S.P.O.T. Trailer and want to use it at an event in Clay County, representatives are coming to film presentation to take back for education purposes; survey to be released on 1/28 about our community. No written report submitted.

Sarah Hogan, IMPACT Montevallo, reported Junior Mayor Katie Simmons is super busy with extracurricular activities and the Montevallo Junior City Council (MJCC) will hold their first meeting on February 5th at 6 p.m.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Swords for Finance, Economic Development & Tourism. Council Member Swords called on Courtney Bennett, Executive Director of Montevallo Main Street. Courtney gave a 2023 Annual Report on how Main Street has made its mark downtown: 7 new businesses; 6 new supporting members and 48 renewing members; 2,207 volunteer hours by 32+ volunteers; hosted and/or partnered special events. See Appendix 4.

Council Member Swords called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Adele reported Chamber Chatter will be delivered January 26th; the 2nd Annual Health Walk, Tribute to Dr. Jermaine Bruford Mitchell, will be held at noon on January 27th; 2nd Annual Montevallo Community Grant will open on February 1st. See Appendix 5.

Council Member Swords reported the Finance Committee will meet this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chamber and the meeting is open to the public.

Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire, Code Enforcement, Housing Abatement, Planning and Zoning) – Reported during City Council Work Session.

Sustainability (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, ValloCycle, Environmental Preservation Initiatives, and Historical Commission) – Reported during City Council Meeting.

Recreation, Preservation and Community Development (Parks & Recreation, Youth Athletics, Trails, Annexations) – Reported during City Council Meeting.

Education, Arts & Outreach (Schools, Library, UM, Boys & Girls Club, American Village, Sister City Commission, Artwalk, IMPACT) – Reported during City Council Meeting.

Finance, Economic Development & Tourism (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street) – Reported during City Council Meeting.

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:

- Cleaning and Repairs to Storm Drain Inlets on Canterbury Road / Wilson Drive from ARPA Funding. Not to exceed \$14,000.00. Motion made by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Dukes, All Ayes, Motion passed.
- Request for Funding from Capital Reserve Account for Repairs / Replacement to Parnell Library HVAC System (Main Library Unit). Not to exceed \$80,000.00. Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, seconded by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes, Motion passed.

Old Business: None

Board Appointments: None

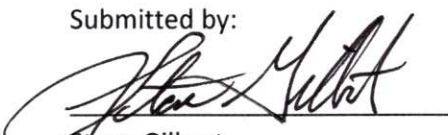
Other Business: None

Citizen Participation:

Bobby C.P. Pierson 1131 Oak Street addressed Council about the HVAC at the library and wanted to know if there was a maintenance plan in place for the HVAC units.

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Nix called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Council Member King, second by Council Member Eisenberg, All Ayes. Meeting Adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Submitted by:



Steve Gilbert
City Clerk / Treasurer

Montevallo Fire Department Report 1.22.24

January 1st- January 15th 2024

EMS- 37
Lift assist- 9
Structure Fire- 3
Brush Fire- 1
Electrical Fire - 0
Vehicle Fire- 0
Appliance Fire- 0
Fire Alarm - 2
MVC- 3
Fuel Spill/ gas leak- 0
Assist other agency- 0
Assist Public- 1
Assist Law Enforcement- 0

Total Calls for the first half of January- 56

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City of Montevallo
Montevallo Fire & Rescue Service
541 Main Street
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PARNELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

JANUARY 22, 2024

- We have had a great but chill January so far.
- we had our first red cross Blood drive which was a huge hit.
- This week we have all of our normal programming going on.
- We are getting info to start a Teen Advisory Board (TAB) at the library for rising 7th-12th graders. More info coming out soon.
- February calendar is posted on our social media as well as printed in the library.
- we will have lots of things going on next month for all of the special holidays.
- We are still taking AARP Tax preparation appointments to come get your taxes done for free.
- We are gearing up this year for our summer reading program.



PARTNERSHIPS WITH IMPACT MONTEVALLO

- 2nd Annual Spring Fling Family Food Truck Fest with DRUM the Program
- Red Ribbon Week and 4th Annual Chief's Challenge
- Elf Scavenger Hunt & Photo Spots

ADVERTISING

- Advertised downtown in Discover Shelby's Visitor's Guide, Shelby County Reporter Football Guide, and Alabama Magazine
- Printed brochures, including Downtown Dining, Pendleton Hydrant Parade, Public Art Trail
- Provided Downtown Dining rack card and Business Guide to incoming UM students

RECOGNITIONS

- Magic Maker Award presented to City of Montevallo's Public Works Department at Montevallo Chamber's Community Awards

PARTNERSHIPS WITH MONTEVALLO CHAMBER

- Bring the Festival of Tulips Downtown
- Owl's Cove Photo Spot
- Joint advertising initiatives
- Collectible Christmas ornament fundraiser

FACADE GRANT PROGRAM

- 1 project completed
- Grant Funds Disbursed since 2018: \$46,625
- Total Private Investment since 2018: \$114,316

MAIN STREET ALABAMA AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

- Main Street Hero Award: Karen Kelly
- Excellence in Business Development: CO.STARTERS presented by Montevallo Main Street
- Excellence in Placemaking: "Make Your Mark" Youth Banner Project with Impact Montevallo
- Reinvestment Award: \$10 Million Dollars

VETERAN BANNER PROGRAM

- 147 veterans honored with customized banners...and counting!



How did we make our mark on Downtown?

INVESTMENT

- Welcomed 7 net new businesses to the District
- 6 new supporting members and 48 renewing members
- 2,207 volunteer hours served by 32+ volunteers
- Volunteer Training: 6 attended National Main Street Conference, 6 attended State Conference, and 5 attended quarterly trainings

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Promoting the arts by sponsoring live music at Arts Fest and Art Walk, and supporting Montevillo Main Street Players
- Sponsor of 2nd Annual Team Lehman/SEA Disc Golf Tournament, and Inaugural Vallo Backyard BBQ, Day of the Dead Festival, and Merry Market
- 4th Annual Blooming Bargains promotion
- Friday Nights at the Cove – 4 free concerts
- 2nd Annual Spring Fling Family Food Truck Fest
- UM Orientation Craft Party at Bradford Real Estate
- Supported Just Show Up Show
- Presenting sponsor of 5th Annual Tinglewood Festival
- Small Business Saturday Promotional Video
- Bulldog Pride Sports Posters
- 5th Annual Holiday Party for Volunteers and Members

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS

- Post Office lawn landscaping project completed
- Memorial sculpture “Shining Star” installed at Bicentennial Park
- 1 Facade Grant project completed
- Grit tape installed on streetscape stairs
- Fall decorations in Bicentennial Park
- Christmas decorations downtown, including new tire tree farm at former Citgo station
- 7th Annual Holiday Window Decorating Competition
- Community Christmas Tree ornament fund
- Continued Veteran Banner Program, with 147 veterans honored to date
- Updated photo Spots at Owl’s Cove Park and Post Office

OTHER PROJECTS

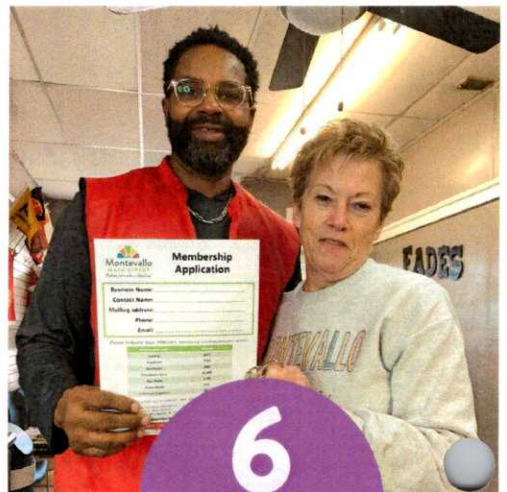
- Second cohort of CO.STARTERS - 4 graduates
- Online Downtown Dining Guide created with QR codes posted at city parks
- Bulldog window clings introduced for MHS Homecoming
- College Night bows, Shining Star T-Shirts, Dogs of Main Street coloring books, Pendleton Hydrant Parade Posters, and Collectible Christmas ornament sold as fundraisers
- And more!



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CO.STARTERS
GRADUATES



7
NET NEW
BUSINESSES



6
NEW
MEMBERS

Montevallo COC City Council Report 1.22.24

- 1) Reminder - **2nd Annual Health Walk** : Tribute to Dr. Jermaine Bruford Mitchell / Sat. Jan 27th / noon / from Montevallo Fire Station #1 to George Dailey Park / park at the MHS football stadium
- 2) **Feb. 2024 Chamber Chatter** will be delivered on Friday, Jan. 26
- 3) 2nd Annual **Montevallo Community Grant** will be Open February 1, 2024 and Close March 1, 2024 Applicants will need to have a Montevallo address and a current non-profit status with an EIN #. Starting on Feb 1, 2024, an application can be requested by emailing the Chamber at montevallochamber@gmail.com
- 4) **Indigo Cafe and Bar Ribbon Cutting** Thursday Feb 8 / 10am / 629 Main Street
- 5) **Feb. Chamber Luncheon** / "Ready to Learn Community Outreach" / Speakers: apt, Alabama Public Television reps. / Wed. Feb. 21 from 11:30am to 1pm ; noon - lunch \$15.00 per person , at Parnell Library meeting room, RSVP by Mon Feb 19



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