MINUTES
CENTER POINT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CENTER POINT CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 23, 2012

The City Council of the City of Center Point, Alabama met in regular session at the Center Point City Hall on Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Roger A. Barlow who stated that a quorum of the City Council was present.

Invocation: The prayer was led by President Barlow.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: President Barlow led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Approval of Agenda: Councilwoman Linda Kennemur moved that the Agenda for the meeting be adopted as printed. The motion was duly seconded by Councilman Terry Leesburg. A voice vote was taken and President Barlow declared that the motion had been adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

AGENDA ADOPTED

Roll Call: The City Clerk called the roll of Council Members, with the following results:

Council Members Present:
  Roger A. Barlow
  Danny King
  Linda Kennemur
  Raymond Olan
  Terry Leesburg

Mayor Thomas Henderson was also present.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilwoman Linda Kennemur moved approval of the February 9, 2012 Pre Meeting Minutes, the February 9, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes, and the February 16, 2012 Emergency Called Meeting Minutes as printed. This motion was duly seconded by Councilman Terry Leesburg. A vote was taken and President Barlow declared that the motion had been approved by a unanimous voice vote.


Presentation:
President Barlow recognized Mr. Andy Key with MPK Group to discuss his recently completed annual audit of the 2011 Fiscal Year financial statements. He pointed out the Management Discussion and Analysis and discussed information in this particular section.

Councilman Terry Leesburg moved that the City Council accept the audit report performed by MPK Group for the FY2011 financial statements. This motion was seconded by Councilman Danny King.

A vote was taken and President Barlow declared that the motion had been adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

**MOTION ADOPTED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ACCEPT THE AUDIT REPORT PERFORMED BY MPK GROUP FOR THE FY2011 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.**

**Public Comment:**

Billy Hagood of 2608 – 5th Street, N. E. asked questions regarding where and when all the debris from the January tornado will be picked up. He also asked how long will the water be checked for the water quality testing referred to in a resolution on the Agenda. Mr. Hagood also asked what is a KaBoom project?

Mayor Henderson answered these questions. He reported that debris pick up began yesterday in Center Point. The Mayor continued that because the County has made arrangements at Turkey Creek, up to 2,200 tons will be dumped there through February 29, 2012. The City will still have to pick up C & D so we can get tipping fees. The Mayor thinks debris on 23rd will be gotten this weekend. The company doing the debris removal has ten to twelve (10 – 12) double trucks which carry one hundred (100) cubic yards of debris at a time.

President Barlow stated that 2,200 tons should just about cover the C & D.

Mayor Henderson stated that the water quality testing will be done for one (1) year.

The Mayor also answered that KaBoom is a playground project which is sponsored by the non-profit group Alabama Forever. The City has the possibility of obtaining a playground because of the storm last April. If the City is selected for this project, this playground will be located in the Center Point ballpark beside the parking lot.

Rick Weide of 2512 – 3rd Street, N. E. stated that the water bottling issue would be in direct conflict with retailers who sell bottled water.

President Barlow answered that the overall plan is to wholesale the water to the businesses and let them sell it at retail.
Resolution:

Resolution 2012 - A Resolution to award a contract based on bids received to conduct a water quality study on the Center Point Spring at Reed-Harvey Park, Center Point, Alabama to TTL, Inc. for a cost of $18,499.00 was presented by Councilwoman Linda Kennemur who then moved its adoption. This motion was seconded by Councilman Danny King.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “aye”: Roger Barlow – yes, Danny King – yes, Linda Kennemur – yes, Raymond Olan – yes, Terry Leesburg- yes

Those voting “no”: None

President Barlow declared that the Resolution had been adopted by a unanimous roll call vote. The City Clerk assigned the following number to the Resolution – Resolution 2012-06.

RESOLUTION 2012-06 ADOPTED AWARDING A CONTRACT BASED ON BIDS RECEIVED TO CONDUCT A WATER QUALITY STUDY ON THE CENTER POINT SPRING AT REED-HARVEY PARK, CENTER POINT, ALABAMA TO TTL, INC. FOR A COST OF $18,499.00

Councilman Terry Leesburg asked if the City is going to have to cover the spring before we start this process or is that not necessary.

President Barlow said we would check with the engineer.

Resolution 2012 – A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign the required letter of intent signifying that the City of Center Point is prepared to enter into the Final Community Partner Agreement with KaBoom, Inc. should Center Point be chosen as a recipient of the KaBoom Playground Project was presented by Councilman Terry Leesburg who then moved its adoption. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Linda Kennemur.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “aye”: Danny King – yes, Linda Kennemur – yes, Raymond Olan – yes, Terry Leesburg – yes, Roger Barlow – yes

Those voting “no”: None

President Barlow declared that the Resolution had been adopted by a unanimous roll call vote. The City Clerk assigned the following number to the Resolution – Resolution 2012-07.
RESOLUTION 2012-07 ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE REQUIRED LETTER OF INTENT SIGNIFYING THAT THE CITY OF CENTER POINT IS PREPARED TO ENTER INTO THE FINAL COMMUNITY PARTNER AGREEMENT WITH KABOOM, INC. SHOULD CENTER POINT BE CHOSEN AS A RECIPIENT OF THE KABOOM PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Consent Agenda:

Councilman Terry Leesburg moved that approval be given for the payment of the items listed on the Consent Agenda. This motion was seconded by Councilman Danny King.

A vote was taken and President Barlow declared that the motion had been adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

The items listed on the Consent Agenda were the following statements from Spain and Gillon, LLC:

- Invoice number 95032 for legal services rendered through 12-31-11 for $4,826.25
- Invoice number 95149 for general legal services through 1-31-12 for $7,038.00
- Invoice number 95150 for legal services rendered through 1-31-12 for $1,475.00
- Invoice number 95151 for tornado relief services through 1-31-12 for $7,380.00

MOTION ADOPTED APPROVING PAYMENT OF THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

New Business:

Councilman Terry Leesburg moved that the unanimous consent of those present be given for the immediate consideration of and action on the City contracting with George Harris, LLC to provide governmental affairs and economic development representation to the City for a monthly fee of $4,000.00. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Linda Kennemur.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Those voting “aye”: Roger Barlow – yes, Danny King – yes, Linda Kennemur – yes, Raymond Olan – yes, Terry Leesburg – yes

Those voting “no”: None

President Barlow declared that the unanimous consent of those present had been given for the immediate consideration of and action on the issue. Councilman Leesburg then moved that the City contract with George Harris, LLC to provide governmental affairs and economic development representation to the City for a monthly fee of $4,000.00. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kennemur.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:
Those voting “aye”: Danny King – yes, Linda Kennemur – yes, Raymond Olan – yes, Terry Leesburg – yes, Roger Barlow – yes

Those voting “no”: None

President Barlow declared that the motion had been adopted by a unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION ADOPTED THAT THE CITY CONTRACT WITH GEORGE HARRIS, LLC TO PROVIDE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATION TO THE CITY FOR A MONTHLY FEE OF $4,000.00**

**Mayor’s Comments:**

Mayor Henderson reminded everyone of the Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast which will be held March 9, 2012 at 7:00 a.m. at Hilldale Baptist Church. The cost is $8.00 per ticket. This will be the 10th anniversary of the City of Center Point. Miss Alabama, Courtney Porter, will be speaking and a former Miss Alabama will be singing.

The Mayor thanked volunteers that have come out and helped clean up Center Point after the January tornado. He spoke today with a team from Michigan here to help clean up. The Mayor reported that the FEMA site here at City Hall will be closing Saturday. He said the Small Business Administration will be here still for at least another week. He encouraged everyone with any damage at all to register with FEMA.

Mayor Henderson reported that the Center Point Girls Basketball team won the Region and will play next Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the State Final Four at the BJCC.

**Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee** – President Barlow called for a Financial Report.

The City Clerk called attention to the financial report before the Council members and reported the activity and balances in each of the accounts. She called attention to the information included at the end of the report regarding income and expenditures on the Veterans Memorial. There were no questions from the Council members.

The City Clerk explained that attached to the report is a copy of the treasurer’s reports for the checks written since the last meetings.

** Beautification Committee** – Councilman Danny King, Chairman had no report.

**Park & Recreation Committee** – Councilman Terry Leesburg, Chairman reported that registration for baseball is continuing. He stated he is hoping the City will get the KaBoom project playground.
Public Safety Committee – Councilwoman Linda Kennemur, Chairman, reported that the next Community Watch meeting will be held March 6, 2011 at 7:00 at City Hall. She said that Donald Love with Alabama Saferooms will be the speaker for the meeting. Councilwoman Kennemur stated that she is proud to have the two traffic lights restored in Center Point.

Annexation Committee – Council President Roger A. Barlow, Chairman had no report.

Business and Commercial Development – Councilman Raymond Olan, Chairman reported one (1) new business in Center Point – Insunza’s Auto Service, LLC located at 2331 Center Point Parkway.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, President Barlow declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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City Clerk

APPROVED ____________________________
Council President Roger A. Barlow

DATE: March 8, 2012