February 24, 2009
Regular Council Meeting
12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy.
Magnolia Springs, Al.
5:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order**
   Mayor Houser called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**
   Councilmember’s present – Mayor Houser, Bob Holk, Joe Sankey, Ken Underwood and Kenny Laurendine. Also present: Town Clerk - Karen S. Biel. Not present: Brett Gaar

3. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**
   Councilmember Underwood led the invocation and pledge.

4. **Approval of council minutes from 01/13/09 and 01/27/09**
   No corrections or additions.
   **Motion by Councilmember Holk, 2nd by Councilmember Sankey to approve the council minutes from 01/13/09 and 01/27/09. All in favor. Motion carried.**

5. **Approval of financial reports and expenditures for January**
   Clerk reported: for the month of January – Bank balance: $30,525.46. General Fund - Income: $56,927.83 – Expenditures: $22,186.73. Sales & Use Tax this year – 4 months is $22,893.50 and last year at this time was $29,701.00 so sales tax is down. Ad Valorem Tax collected to date is $50,500 and the total collected last year was $55,151.00. Clerk also reported the balances and completion dates on the active grants: Comprehensive Plan Grant – balance left $17,661.40 by 09/30/09
   Sediment Study – balance left $31,258.00 by 09/30/09
   Forestry Grant – whole balance left $2,500.00 by 09/30/09
   **Motion by Councilmember Sankey, 2nd by Councilmember Underwood to approve the financial statements and expenditures for January. All in favor. Motion carried.**

6. **Public Comment**
   No public comment

7. **Foley High School – Banner $300.00**
   Dwayne Miller is asking that the council donate $300.00 to purchase a banner to be posted at all the baseball games. Councilmember Holk stated that once you give to one association then all the others start asking for donations and he suggested waiting till next years budget is reviewed and allocate some money to be donated to Baldwin County Schools and to be used on the schools in this area. Council members agreed. Councilmember Laurendine stated that the South Baldwin Chamber has a foundation that supports the schools and maybe that’s where we need to make the donation.
   **Motion by Councilmember Sankey, 2nd by Councilmember Holk authorizing the Mayor to draft a letter to the association explaining that the town is developing a donation policy and that the town will not be donating the $300.00 at this time. All in favor. Motion carried.**

8. **Committee Reports**
   Finance: Mayor Houser stated the finance committee discussed and approved the recommendation of the town purchasing the lap top for $600.00 that he is now using, which belongs to Janie Houser, instead of purchasing a new computer and transferring all the information.
   **Motion by Councilmember Holk, 2nd by Councilmember Laurendine to purchase at the price of $600.00 the lap top from Charles Houser. All in favor. Motion carried.**
Public Safety: Councilmember Holk stated that the council had a copy of the police and fire department report. He explained “Stand by for Foley department” it’s when the fire department will assist on a call till Foley gets there.

Public Works: Councilmember Sankey reported that the committee discussed the application to ALDOT. They also discussed how the committees are going to work, some specific tasks that will be assigned and how to implement the Parking and Right-of-Way ordinances.

Parks & Recreation: Councilmember Laurendine stated that the committee did not meet in February but at the March meeting they will be discussing some items for the Springs, such as the security light and possible set a date for the official opening of the Springs.

Historic Commission: Councilmember Underwood reported that Mr. Schneider need to perform more work on the survey and it is going to cost the town about $2,700.00 more but he will get with the grant people to see what needs to be done about Mr. Schneider’s contract. We are also looking into a program that the commission could purchase to keep all the information up to date.

Environmental Protection: Councilmember Gaar was not present but the council did have a copy of the minutes for his meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Sankey, 2nd by Councilmember Underwood to accept all committee reports as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

9. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments
Clerk reminded the council about the convention in May and ask that they let her know if they are going to attend. Rates will go up after March 27th from $300.00 to $325.00.

10. Any other business that might come before the meeting

With no further business:

Motion by Councilmember Holk, 2nd by Councilmember Underwood to adjourn. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Approved this the 24th day of March, 2009

Charles S. House — Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen S. Biel — Town Clerk