

**January 13, 2015**  
**Workshop Meeting**  
**12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy**  
**Magnolia Springs, Al.**  
**5:00 P.M.**

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Underwood called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Members present – Mayor Underwood - Council Members: Dotty Johnson, Jim May, Bob Holk, Tom Webb and Ben Dykema. Also present: Town Clerk - Karen S. Biel and Legal Counsel – Brad Hicks

**3. Invocation and Pledge** – led by Mayor Underwood

**4. Discussion of minutes – December**

Workshop Meeting – 12/02/2014  
 Regular Council Meeting – 12/16/2014  
 No corrections noted.

**5. Discussion of Financials and Expenditures - December**

The Mayor reported: Balances as of 12/31/2014 - General Fund - \$74,516.30. Income - \$36,710.40. Expenses - \$25,411.80. Money Market – \$186,158.81. CD - \$53,975.39. Special Revenue 4, 5, & 7¢ Gas Tax – Income \$344.99, Balance - \$15,698.51.

**6. Public Comment**

No public comment

**7. Discussion – Ordinance - Amendment to Regulating Parking: General Use of Rights-of-Way Ordinance**

Brad Hicks did state that he made one other change to Division 3 – Section 1 - which is to make sure that any solid waste that is placed for pickup by Baldwin County Solid Waste is placed only in the area of the right-of-way that directly abuts the property of that owner and that it is placed in a manner that applies with this ordinance.

**8. Discussion – Resolution – Baldwin County Heritage Museum**

Mayor Underwood explained that the town supported the museum last year with a resolution in the amount of \$250.00.

**9. Discussion – Arbor Day Proclamation**

Mayor Underwood stated that the town has adopted this proclamation since incorporation. Councilmember Johnson asked if the Garden Club had requested the monies and how much is it. The clerk stated that she thought the Garden Club had made the request but their limit has always been \$500.00 for trees.

**10. Discussion – Request to use Oak Street for Wedding Ceremony**

The Council was given a letter of request from Andrea Beard and James Singleton to use Oak Street (down by Jessamine) for their wedding ceremony on October 4, 2015 for about one hour. Councilmember Holk stated that he can see some problems with the request. He doesn't know if the town should block off a public street even though he thinks it's a good thing. He feels that it could set a precedence and it could get out of hand. He also added that there would have to be security provided to detour traffic. Councilmember Holk added that the Bed and Breakfast should also be considered because they may also have something going on that day. Another concern was the parking of all the guest vehicles in that area. Councilmember Dykema asked if the couple were citizens of Magnolia Springs. The clerk did not know if they were citizens of Magnolia Springs. He stated that if a citizen of this community has a child that wanted to get married under the trees on Oak Street that he would hope that the town would find a way to do that. Brad Hicks stated that if the town wanted to it could be treated as an event. The applicants will be requested to provide further information while legal counsel researches a process for this kind of event.

**11. Committee/Commission reports**

**a) Public Works & Safety** – Councilmember Holk reported:

1. The sidewalk grant is being advertized for bids.
2. Cedar Street paving should start real soon.
3. We haven't heard from the County on the ditch work yet.

**b) Public Lands** – Councilmember Dykema reported:

1. The Springs bank has been cleared.
2. The elephant ears have been "harassed" at Bay Street.
3. The Historic Commission is working on an informational kiosk for Magnolia Landing.

**12. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments**

The clerk informed the council that on the January regular council meeting agenda there will be a motion to hold a special council meeting before the February workshop. This special meeting will be to approve a resolution awarding the sidewalk grant to the bidder that Volkert recommends.

**Councilmember Johnson** stated that there was a going away party for Chris (our deputy) and she wanted to let people know that the town can not spend town finances on an event like this. She added that the clerk gathered the food and it was sponsored by three individuals.

**Councilmember May** stated that the school board will have a regular meeting at which he will make a proposal to the board asking them to return the school property back to the citizens of Magnolia Springs. The council was provided with a copy of his proposal. He invited the council to attend the meeting with him.

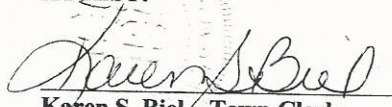
**Motion by Councilmember Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember May to adjourn. All in favor.**  
**Motion carried.**

Meeting ended at 5:40 pm

Approved this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015

  
**Bob Holk – Mayor Pro Tem**

ATTEST:

  
**Karen S. Biel – Town Clerk**