

**MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA, HELD  
March 16, 2020**

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The City Council of Muscle Shoals, Alabama met at the Muscle Shoals City Hall auditorium in said City at 6:00 p.m. on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 being the scheduled time and place for said meeting. The meeting was called to order by Allen Noles, President of the Council. The invocation was given by Ricky Williams. On roll call the following members were found to be present or absent, as indicated:

PRESENT: CHRIS HALL, MIKE LOCKHART, KEN SOCKWELL, ALLEN NOLES  
ABSENT: NONE

Allen Noles, President of the Council, presided at the meeting and declared that a quorum was present and that the meeting was convened and opened for the purposes of transaction of business. Mayor David Bradford was also present. Ricky Williams, City Clerk, was present and kept the minutes of the meeting.

Upon motion duly made by Council Member Lockhart and seconded by Council Member Hall and unanimously adopted, the Council waived the reading of the minutes of the previously held regular meeting and work session of March 2, 2020 and approved the minutes as written.

At this time President Noles recognized Council Member Hall. Council Member Hall moved to suspend the rules for immediate consideration to reconsider the establishment of the position of Assistant Chief Librarian approved at the March 2, 2020 meeting. Council Member Sockwell seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, a roll call was had and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: Council Member Hall, Council Member Lockhart, Council Member Sockwell,  
Council Member Noles

NAYS: None

President Noles announced that the motion for immediate consideration had been approved with unanimous consent.

Council Member Hall moved that the motion approved at the meeting on March 2, 2020 establishing the position of Assistant Chief Librarian be rescinded. Council Member Sockwell seconded the motion and said motion being put to a vote, a roll call was had and the vote recorded as follows:

AYES: Council Member Hall, Council Member Lockhart, Council Member Sockwell,  
Council Member Noles

NAYS: None

President Noles announced that the motion to rescind the motion to establish the position of Assistant Chief Librarian was approved.

Council President Noles noted that nominations for appointment to fill the vacancy to Council Member Place No. 2 were now open.

Council Member Lockhart nominated Terry McMinn. There being no other nominations, Council President Noles declared the nominations closed.

Council Member Sockwell moved that Terry McMinn be appointed to Place No. 2 on the City Council. Council Member Hall seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted "AYE" and "NAYS" were none.

President Noles announced that the motion to appoint Terry McMinn to the City Council had been approved.

City Clerk Ricky Williams administered the oath of office to Terry McMinn who was then seated with the Council.

At this time Mayor Bradford gave an update on the City's efforts to implement CDC recommendations to reduce exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

Council President Noles announced the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to authorize the purchase of 486 trash containers through the HGAC-Buy purchasing cooperative.

Council Member Lockhart introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COLBERT COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 3056 - 20**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama is desirous of purchasing trash containers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Procurement Agent advised that the amount of said purchase must comply with the Alabama Competitive Bid Law and further that a purchasing cooperative contract eliminating the need for further formal, sealed bidding process has been approved by the State of Alabama and is valid for such purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the Procurement Agent further advised that the purchase price for 486, 95 gallon trash containers to be purchased from Schafer Systems International, Inc. and further that Schafer Systems International, Inc. is the awarded contractual vendor for said item with HGAC-Buy, a State of Alabama approved purchasing cooperative; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals that Schafer Systems International, Inc. the contractual vendor of HGAC-Buy is now hereby awarded the purchase of 486, 95 gallon trash containers for the total purchase price of \$28,105.38 (freight not included).

Council Member Hall seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted “AYE” and “NAYS” were none.

President Noles announced that the resolution had been approved.

Council President Noles announced the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to award a bid for the Wilson Dam Road retention pond pump and force main upgrades.

Council Member Hall introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COLBERT COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NO. 3057 - 20**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, that:

**WHEREAS**, the City did send out advertisements for bids for the Wilson Dam Pond Pump and Force Main upgrades, the bid opening being set for 10:00 am on the 12th day of March, 2020, at the City Hall of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama; and

**WHEREAS**, at the appointed time and place, as specified above, the following bids were opened and tabulated as follows; and

	Eady Contracting, Inc.	Golden Construction Company, Inc.
TOTAL BID	\$182,301.10	\$189,297.60

**WHEREAS**, the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder has been determined as Eady Contracting Inc. with a total bid price of \$182,301.10; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the apparent lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, Eady Contracting Inc. is now awarded the bid for the Wilson Dam Pond Pump and Force Main upgrades for a total bid price of \$182,301.10.

Council Member Sockwell seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted “AYE” and “NAYS” were none.

President Noles announced that the resolution had been approved.

Council President Noles announced the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to declare a backhoe in the Public Works Department surplus and authorize its disposal.

Council Member Sockwell introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA

COLBERT COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 3058 - 20**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council had previously declared certain equipment within the Public Works Department as surplus and authorized its disposal by sale on GovDeals.com; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has been informed by the Public Works Director that certain equipment declared surplus under Resolution 3045-20 has been requested by the Town of Bear Creek for direct purchase; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama that the following described equipment be reaffirmed as surplus property and be disposed of by the Procurement Officer of the city in a manner that will require no further expenditure by the City nor expose the City to any liability in the further use of or operation of said equipment and the Council does hereby authorize the Procurement Officer to dispose of said equipment by sale to the Town of Bear Creek for \$22,500.00.

<u>Item</u>	<u>VIN</u>	<u>Asset #</u>
2001 Caterpillar 430D Backhoe	CAT0430DH8NK02652	0205170002

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the bill of sale for said equipment shall be properly executed and delivered, along with the equipment, to the buyer and that all expenses of the transfer shall be borne by the buyer.

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Council Member Lockhart seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted "AYE" and "NAYS" were none.

President Noles announced that the resolution had been approved.

Council President Noles announced the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to declare a conference table in the library surplus and authorize its disposal.

Council Member Lockhart introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA

COLBERT COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 3059 - 20**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has been informed by the City Clerk that a conference table (Asset #000901) used in the performance of city operations is no longer required for use by the Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the said table is surplus property and the City has no further use for said table due to its age and condition and it is not economical for the City to refurbish said table in order that it be placed in service in the Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Northwest Shoals Community College has expressed a desire to utilize the conference table; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama that the conference table (Asset #000901) be declared surplus property and be disposed of by the City Clerk; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council does hereby authorize the City Clerk to dispose of said item in such manner that no further expenditure by the City nor exposure of the City to any liability in the further use of said item; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Clerk is authorized to take the steps necessary to convey the conference table to Northwest Shoals Community College in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions and pursuant to this Resolution for and in consideration as previously stated.

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Council Member Hall seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted "AYE" and "NAYS" were none.

President Noles announced that the resolution had been approved.

Council President Noles announced the next item of business was consideration of a resolution to support the name change of the Florence-Muscle Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Council Member Hall introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

STATE OF ALABAMA

COLBERT COUNTY

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 3060 - 20**

WHEREAS, Lauderdale and Colbert Counties including the Cities of Florence, Muscle Shoals, Sheffield, and Tuscumbia are currently known as the “Florence-Muscle Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area;”

WHEREAS, said region is more commonly known and referred to as “The Shoals;”

WHEREAS, referring to Lauderdale and Colbert Counties including the Cities of Florence, Muscle Shoals, Sheffield, and Tuscumbia as the “Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area” will create a more defined, researchable, and recognizable sense of place; and

WHEREAS, reference to the “Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area,” will align closely with current economic development, tourism, and branding efforts, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals as follows:

The City Council is in support of the re-naming of the “Florence-Muscle Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area” to the “Shoals Metropolitan Statistical Area.”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT U.S. Congressman Robert B. Aderholt and U.S. Congressman Mo Brooks be contacted to seek their support for the proposed change.

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Council Member Sockwell seconded the motion and upon said motion being put to a vote, all voted “AYE” and “NAYS” were none.

President Noles announced that the resolution had been approved.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon the motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS, ALABAMA  
a Municipal Corporation

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE ONE

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE TWO

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE THREE

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FOUR

ATTEST:

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COUNCIL MEMBER - PLACE FIVE

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CITY CLERK