

The City Council of the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, met Monday, July 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Spanish Fort Community Center, that being the scheduled date, time and place of such meeting. In accordance with the Proclamation issued by the Governor of the State of Alabama, some members participated by conference call due to COVID-19.

The following Councilmembers were present: J. R. Smith and Brabner. Councilmember Fortenberry and Mayor McMillan participated by conference call. Absent were Councilmembers Curt Smith and Menas. A quorum being present, the meeting proceeded in accordance with the written agenda.

Mr. David Conner, City Attorney, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the Meeting and Work Session on July 6, 2020, were distributed to each member, and Mayor McMillan called for any corrections. Mayor McMillan announced that the minutes stand approved as written.

Mayor McMillan announced the following appointments to the Board of Adjustment:

Mr. Frank Adams with term expiring October 7, 2020
Mr. Jason Snow, as a Supernumerary Member, with term expiring February 16, 2023.

Chief Barber gave a brief synopsis of an incident that happened on the Causeway with a mental distressed individual and recognized several individuals for saving this individual's life. Chief Barber presented Officer Steve McGuff and Officer Jeffrey Josey with a Chief's Commendation for a job well done. Chief Barber also recognized Brandy Hazelwood, Tammy Dees, Amber Dees and Herdis Watkins and presented them with a Citizens Assistance Award.

Mayor McMillan opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Mayor McMillan made the following announcements:

2020 CENSUS – Please participate in the 2020 Census either by mail or from a Census taker. You can go to 2020CENSUS.GOV to participate online.

Tuesday, August 25, 2020, an election for the purpose of electing a Mayor and a Councilmember (aldermen) for each single member district: District 1, District 2, District 3, District 4, and District 5, for the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, will be held. Any qualified elector who will have resided within the City, and within the district from which he or she seeks election, for a period of at least 90 days on August 25, 2020, may qualify to run for office by filing the appropriate forms and paying Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) qualifying fee. Statement of Candidacy and other necessary documents may be obtained from and returned to the City Clerk, Mary Lynn Williams, at the Spanish Fort Community Center. She began accepting Statements of Candidacy on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, and the qualification time will end on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. No Statement of Candidacy for this election will be accepted after this date and time.

Mayor McMillan recognized Ms. Roberta Swann, Director of the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program. Ms. Swann gave a synopsis of the D'Olive Watershed Restoration project. Ms. Swann stated that the ten years of work on this project on over two miles of impacted streams, 92 acres of wetlands and riparian habitat protected/enhance, has paid off by enabling the removal of Jeo's Branch from Alabama's 2020 303(d) List of Impaired Waters.

Mayor McMillan presented Resolution No. 1090-2020, contract for services between the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, and the Spanish Fort Sports Association.

Motion was made by Councilmember J. R. Smith and seconded by Councilmember Brabner to adopt Resolution No. 1090-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

Mayor McMillan introduced Resolution No.1091-2020, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract between the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, and the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Conner explained the proposed Resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Councilmember J. R. Smith and seconded by Councilmember Fortenberry to adopt Resolution No. 1091-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

Mayor McMillan presented Resolution No.1092-2020, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program. Mr. Conner explained the proposed Resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Brabner and seconded by Councilmember J. R. Smith to adopt Resolution No. 1092-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

Mayor McMillan presented Resolution No.1093-2020, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Spanish Fort, Alabama, to enter into an agreement with the Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance. Mr. Conner explained the proposed Resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Fortenberry and seconded by Councilmember Brabner to adopt Resolution No. 1093-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

Mayor McMillan introduced Resolution No. 1094-2020, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for the provisions of athletic camps. Mr. Conner explained the proposed Resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Councilmember J. R. Smith and seconded by Councilmember Brabner to adopt Resolution No. 1094-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

Mayor McMillan introduced Resolution No. 1095-2020, approving the filing of a civil complaint and other legal action against manufacturers and distributions of prescription opioids. Mr. Conner explained the proposed Resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Councilmember J. R. Smith and seconded by Councilmember Brabner to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of Resolution No. 1095-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. The motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember J. R. Smith and seconded by Councilmember Fortenberry to adopt Resolution No. 1095-2020. Mayor McMillan called for the polling of votes. Voting "aye" were Voting "aye" were Councilmembers Fortenberry, J. R. Smith, Brabner and Mayor McMillan. Voting "nay" were none. Mayor McMillan declared the Resolution adopted.

There being no further business before the Council, Councilmember Brabner made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of August, 2020.

Mary Lynn Williams, MMC
City Clerk