

December 22, 2008

STATE OF ALABAMA,
LIMESTONE COUNTY,
CITY OF ATHENS.

The City Council of the City of Athens, Alabama, met in regular session at the Athens Police Department Court Room at 951 Hobbs Street East in the said City on December 22, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Councilman William R. Marks, President of the Council. Upon roll call the following were found to be present: Councilmembers Mignon Bowers, Jimmy Gill, William R. Marks and Mildred Caudle. Councilmember Harold Wales was absent. Mayor Williams was present. John Hamilton, City Clerk, was present and recorded the minutes of the meeting. William R. Marks offered the invocation and Mayor Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Chairperson stated that a quorum was present and that the meeting was open for transaction of business.

The Chairperson stated that the Minutes of the December 8, 2008 City Council Meeting had been submitted for approval. Councilwoman Caudle moved that the reading of the Minutes be suspended and that the Minutes be approved as recorded. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bowers and was unanimously carried. The Chairperson stated that the Minutes of the December 22, 2008 City Council Work Session Minutes had been submitted for approval. Councilwoman Caudle moved that the reading of the Minutes be suspended and that the Minutes be approved as recorded. The Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bowers and was unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Caudle moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to set a Public Hearing for the regular meeting of January 26, 2009 to review the request of Word of Faith Missionary Baptist Church, located along Lucas Street, south of Highway 72, to rezone property from R-1-2 Medium Density Single Family Residential District to B-2 General Business District.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Gill and was unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Caudle moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to set a Public Hearing for the regular meeting of January 26, 2009 to review the request of John Stewart for the estate of Herbert Woods, located on Hine Street, south of Highway 72, to rezone property from R-1-2 Medium Density Single Family Residential District to B-2 General Business District.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Gill and was unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Bowers moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to reorganize the Fire Department effective December 22, 2008 in accordance with the attached organizational chart, which includes the following 41 positions:

- Fire Chief
- Deputy Chief of Operations

- Fire Prevention Chief
- Fire Inspector
- Administrative Assistant
- Battalion Chief (3 positions)
- Captains (9 positions)
- Drivers (10 positions)
- Firefighter II's (6 positions)
- Firefighter I's (8 positions)

ADOPTED and APPROVED this, the 22nd day of December, 2008.

/s/ William R. Marks
 PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL,
 CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

/s/ Dan Williams
 MAYOR, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

ATTEST:

/s/ John S. Hamilton
 CITY CLERK, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

The motion was seconded by Councilman Gill and was unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Bowers introduced the following ordinance:

**STATE OF ALABAMA,
 LIMESTONE COUNTY,
 CITY OF ATHENS.**

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-1717

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, that Ordinance Number 888, establishing a classification list and pay plan for classified employees, be hereby amended as follows:

1. Delete the following job titles for the Fire Department:
 - Assistant Fire Chief/Director of Training, Grade 12
 - Captain, Grade 10
 - Lieutenant, Grade 9
 - Firefighter 3, Grade 8

2. Add the following job titles for the Fire Department:
 - Deputy Chief of Operations , Grade 12
 - Battalion Chief, Grade 10
 - Captain, Grade 9
 - Driver, Grade 8

All previous job titles for these positions are obsolete and where a discrepancy exists between the new job title and the old job title, the new job title will supercede the old job title.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this, the 22nd day of December, 2008.

/s/ William R. Marks
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL,
CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

/s/ Dan Williams
MAYOR, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

ATTEST:

/s/ John S. Hamilton
CITY CLERK, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

Councilmember Gill moved that unanimous consent be given for immediate consideration of and action on said ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Caudle, and upon the said motion being put to vote the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Bowers, Gill, Marks and Caudle; NAYS: None. The President thereupon declared that the motion for unanimous consent for immediate consideration of and action on the said ordinance had been unanimously carried. Councilmember Bowers thereupon moved that the ordinance be finally adopted, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Gill and upon the said motion being put to vote the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Bowers, Gill, Marks and Caudle; NAYS: None. The President thereupon announced that the motion for the adoption of the said ordinance had been unanimously carried.

Councilwoman Bowers moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to adopt the attached job descriptions for the following position with the Fire Department:

- Deputy Chief of Operations, Grade 12
- Battalion Chief, Grade 10
- Captain, Grade 9
- Driver, Grade 8

All previous job descriptions for this position are obsolete and where a discrepancy exists between the new job description and the old job description, the new job description will supercede the old job description.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this, the 22nd day of December, 2008.

/s/ William R. Marks
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL,
CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

/s/ Dan Williams
MAYOR, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

ATTEST:

/s/ John S. Hamilton
CITY CLERK, CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA

The motion was seconded by Councilman Gill and was unanimously carried.

Councilman Gill moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to make Friday, December 26, 2008, a holiday for the 2008 calendar year.

Councilmember Bowers moved that unanimous consent be given for immediate consideration of and action on said ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Caudle, and upon the said motion being put to vote the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Bowers, Gill, Marks and Caudle; NAYS: None. The President thereupon declared that the motion for unanimous consent for immediate consideration of and action on the said ordinance had been unanimously carried. Councilmember Gill thereupon moved that the ordinance be finally adopted, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bowers and upon the said motion being put to vote the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Bowers, Gill, Marks and Caudle; NAYS: None. The President thereupon announced that the motion for the adoption of the said ordinance had been unanimously carried.

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There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was, upon motion by Councilman Gill and second by Councilwoman Bowers, duly and properly adjourned.

/s/ William R. Marks
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

/s/ John S. Hamilton
CITY CLERK

