

July 27, 2009

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 July 27, 2009, 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, Harold Wales, Jimmy Gill, William R. Marks and Mildred Caudle. John Hamilton, City Clerk, was present and recorded the minutes of the meeting. Councilmember Jimmy Gill 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 July 13, 2009 City Council Meeting had been submitted for approval. Councilwoman Bowers moved that the reading of the Minutes be suspended and that the Minutes be approved as recorded. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Caudle and was unanimously carried. The Chairperson stated that the Minutes of the July 13, 2009 City Council Work Session Minutes had been submitted for approval. Councilwoman Bowers moved that the reading of the Minutes be suspended and that the Minutes be approved as recorded. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Caudle and was unanimously carried.

Julia Milan, 2114 Aretha Street, voiced her concern about speeders on her area.

Rosie Maclin, 1016 Highland Street, concerned about a lot of traffic around a particular house on Hine Street. Also, concerned about speeders on 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ann Shoulders, 1014 Somerest Drive, would like lights and no parking signs installed on Highland Street. There are still bees at 1002 Highland Street and the back yard needs mowing.

Janet (did not want to give her last name), concerned about the property on the corner of Hine and Brownsferry Street and 1056 Brownsferry Street. The property needs cut and cleaned up.

**Councilman Wales moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to develop a Recreational Master Plan for the City of Athens in the amount of \$24,500.00 with services rendered by Morell Engineering. This will be charged to line item 16.82701, if Cemetery, Parks and Recreation Department is not over budget at the end of FY09. If Cemetery, Parks and Recreation Department is over budget, it will be taken from the city's reserves.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Caudle and was unanimously carried.

**Councilwoman Bowers moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, that the travel expenses in the following amount be approved for Electric Department personnel.

Mignon Bowers	Electric Cities Conference Orange Beach, AL	\$199.74
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Ronnie Marks	Electric Cities Conference Orange Beach, AL	\$370.33
Harold Wales	Electric Cities Conference Orange Beach, AL	\$360.37

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 THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to approve a cash advance for the Gas Department in the total amount of \$175.00.

John Bush	Plumbers & Fitters Apprentice Career Track – 5 <sup>th</sup> Week Dothan, AL August 10 – 12, 2009	\$175.00
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The motion was seconded by Councilman Gill and was unanimously carried.

**Councilman Wales moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to install a concrete bottom in a drainage ditch located at 14718 Cheyenne Drive to complete a project that has been partially funded by District 2 funds. The estimated cost to complete this project shall not exceed \$4,000.00. This will be funded from the General Fund Reserves.

Councilmember Gill moved that unanimous consent be given for immediate consideration of and action on said resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bowers, and upon the said motion being put to vote the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Bowers, Wales, 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 resolution had been unanimously carried. Councilmember Wales thereupon moved that the resolution 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, Wales, Gill, Marks and Caudle; NAYS: None. The President thereupon announced that the motion for the adoption of the said resolution had been 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 approve the FY 2010 Electric Department budget and to spread the same on the minutes.

**PROPOSED FY 2010 ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT BUDGET**

DESCRIPTION	Proposed FY 2010
REVENUES:	
Metered Electric Sales	\$ 85,804,680.00

Forfeited Discounts	\$	655,000.00
Misc Service Revenue	\$	100,000.00
Rents from Electric property	\$	800,000.00
Other Electric Revenue	\$	160,000.00
Interest Income	\$	160,000.00
Reserve Funds	\$	225,000.00
Draw from Reserves for District Substation and Roof for HQ Bldg.	\$	1,539,713.00
Aid to Construction	\$	2,500,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	91,944,393.00
Net Other Income:	\$	6,139,713.00
EXPENSES:		
Salaries and Fringes	\$	4,387,482.00
3% COLA (If Approved)	\$	47,526.00
Electricity Purchases (TVA)	\$	71,792,074.00
System Operation and Maint Expenses	\$	2,307,896.00
Maint Contracts - Tree Trimming & Pole Insp/Repair	\$	650,000.00
Right of Way-Herbicides, Supplies & Expenses	\$	10,000.00
Ice Storm Expenses	\$	-
Customer Accounting and Billing Expenses	\$	-
Uncollectable Account Expenses	\$	205,931.00
Administrative Expenses	\$	796,463.00
Vehicle Operation and Maint Expenses	\$	378,467.00
Equivalent Tax payments	\$	1,850,000.00
Debt Service Expenses	\$	2,431,340.00
1995 Construction Fund	\$	-
Capital Expenditures	\$	6,427,213.00
Construction Work Orders	\$	-
Transformers and Meters	\$	-
Vehicles and Construction Equipment	\$	-
Other Capital (Equipment, etc)	\$	-
TOTALS	\$	91,359,393.00
Net Budget:	\$	585,000.00
Equipment Purchase/Rebuild Obligations	\$	225,000.00
Year End Net Budget	\$	360,000.00

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

**Councilwoman Bowers moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to approve the FY 2010 Utilities Customer Service budget and to spread the same on the minutes.

CUSTOMER SERVICE BUDGET FY 2010

REVENUES:	Budgeted FY 2010
Electric Dept.	\$ 1,371,436.00
Gas Dept.	\$ 242,274.00
Water Dept.	\$ 299,920.00
Sewer Dept.	\$ 150,929.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 2,064,559.00
EXPENSES:	
Payroll	\$ 1,133,161.00
Regular	\$ 1,093,161.00
Overtime	\$ 40,000.00
3% COLA	\$ 22,372.00
FICA	\$ 86,687.00
Employee Welfare	\$ 349,047.00
Utilities	\$ 22,000.00
Meter Reading Supplies	\$ 20,055.00
Vehicle Insurance	\$ 7,525.00
Fuel	\$ 48,000.00
Vehicle Maint	\$ 23,533.00
Telephone	\$ 1,008.00
Bldg Maint	\$ 20,630.00
Travel	\$ 1,350.00
Training	\$ 1,250.00
Customer Accounting	\$ 281,441.00
Operating Exp	\$ 2,018,059.00
Capital Exp	\$ 46,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,064,559.00
NET PROPOSED BUDGET	\$ -

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 THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, that the bid of \$81,492.00 by Siemens Energy, Inc., for six 15 kV breakers for the upgrade of the Athens District Substation be accepted and that the Utilities General Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order to the company.

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

**Councilman Wales moved the adoption of the following resolution:**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, ALABAMA, to direct the City of Athens Public Works Department to begin construction of the drive access for upcoming construction of Fire Station 3 on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. The cost of 480 l.f. of 24" rcp plus headwall construction shall be \$15,000.00 to be funded from the Cities Capital Project Fund.

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

/s/ William R. Marks  
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

/s/ John S. Hamilton  
CITY CLERK























































