

STATE OF ALABAMA)
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COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

The City Council met in a Work Session at 4:30 p.m.,
Delchamps Room, 161 North Section Street,
Fairhope, Alabama 36532, on Monday, 11 August 2014.

Present were Council President Pro Tem Michael A. Ford, Councilmembers: Rich Mueller, Diana Brewer, and Kevin Boone, Mayor Timothy M. Kant, City Attorney Marion E. Wynne, and City Clerk Lisa A. Hanks. Council President Jack Burrell was absent.

Council President Pro Tem Ford called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

The following topics were discussed:

- Sherry Sullivan, Community Affairs and Recreation Director, addressed the City Council and reminded them of the Fairhoper's Community Park grand opening on Saturday at 10 a.m.
- Mayor Kant mentioned the Mediacom contract and the need to have an office on the Eastern Shore side for citizens to drop off and pick up equipment as well as pay bills. We are still having complaints and the only office is in Winn Dixie at the Western Union counter to pay bills. He said Loxley is the only place to pick up and drop off equipment.

City Attorney Wynne said this would be part of the negotiations with the language requiring an office in Fairhope.

Mayor Kant also mentioned the need to require companies to get equipment off poles in a timely manner. It was suggested to give the companies a 30 days' notice and then give them 30 days to remove equipment. If not removed, begin charging a penalty.

- Erik Cortinas, Building Official, addressed the City Council regarding an Ingleside house being condemned. He said the procedures for condemnation are in process and we will soon bring this issue to the City Council.
- Mayor Kant and Chief Petties addressed the City Council regarding rental issues with homes renting less than 30 days in residential areas. Some are renting as Bread and Breakfast (B&Bs). Chief Petties said these are being rented over the internet. We are working on this issue by using an officer and a dispatcher full time right now. One home is renting for \$600.00 per night and we are checking with our Revenue Department to see if they have been paying taxes to the City.

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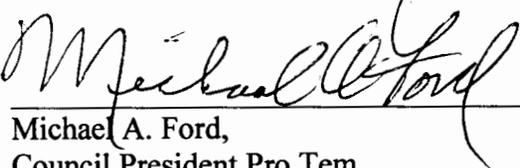
Mayor Kant said this is not just in Fairhope, it is everywhere. He said residents are complaining. We are getting a list together for our City Attorney so he can bring these people in front of the Judge to try and stop these short-term rentals.

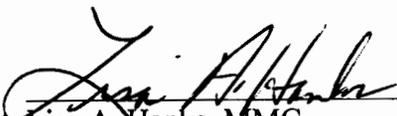
- Bobby Hall, Golf Director, addressed the City Council regarding the proposed fees for Quail Creek Golf Course for inside and outside City limits. He also brought back a proposed \$100.00 extra fee for quarterly payments. Councilmember Ford questioned concerns with inside and outside rates. Mr. Hall stated we already have different rates for inside and outside the City limits. Councilmember Mueller said we need to try it and see if it works.
- Councilmember Boone brought up the issue with our beaches. He stated it is basically four to one of outsiders to in-town folks using the beaches. There is litter left on the beaches and coals from fires are also dumped. We need to find a way to correct this problem.

Mayor Kant replied we do have issues with our beaches. Chief Petties mentioned we used to have a police officer who patrolled the beaches and then we used an employee to watch over the beaches. He said patrol has been notified to watch. Councilmember Mueller suggested a person to watch during the summer; specifically Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Mayor Kant said we have had complaints from people and some are there every week and see the issues. He said staff will look at this and figure out a solution.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:06 p.m.


Michael A. Ford,
Council President Pro Tem


Lisa A. Hanks, MMC
City Clerk