



Agenda for
City of Abbeville
COUNCIL MEETING



CITY HALL AT 6:00 P.M.

5/18/2015

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Betty Yoder
3. VISITORS:
 - a. Ronnie Dollar, Henry County EMA
4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - a. 5/4/2015 – Regular Meeting
5. RESOLUTION 15-05-A BEST PRACTICES FOR OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS
6. RESOLUTION 15-05-B AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN CDBG DOCUMENTATION
7. RESOLUTION 15-05-C AUTHORIZING CITY TO APPLY FOR FY2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPGRADES
8. OTHER BUSINESS AS NEEDED
9. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL
10. ADJOURNMENT



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1. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Pro Tempore Terry Allums called the meeting to order with Brendt Murphy, Eddie Jones, Billy Helms, and Betty Yoder in attendance. Also in attendance was Clerk/Treasurer Pam Ward. Absent was Mayor Jim Giganti.
2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Billy Helms
3. VISITORS: There were none.
4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES
 - a. 4/20/2015 – Regular Meeting – Upon motion by Murphy and second by Helms, the minutes were adopted as written.
5. APPROVAL TO SELL AS SURPLUS MANITOWOC ICE MACHINE – BAD COMPRESSOR – Upon motion by Murphy and second by Yoder, the Council unanimously approved the sale of the ice machine on GovDeals.com.
6. SCHEDULE WORK SESSION FOR CHIEF OF POLICE SELECTION – Upon motion by Helms and second by Murphy, the Council scheduled a work session to review Chief of Police applications for May 18, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. and rescheduled the regular council session for May 18, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The May 21, 2015 Council session was cancelled.
7. OTHER BUSINESS AS NEEDED – Upon motion by Helms and second by Jones, the Council approved the use of the ball parks for church league softball starting June 16, 2015 for the summer season.

Upon motion by Yoder and second by Murphy the Council approved the Recreation Board to offer a reward for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the break in at the ARC concession stand the weekend of April 25, 2015.
8. APPROVAL OF PAID BILLS – Upon motion by Helms and second by Yoder, the Council unanimously approved the paid bills.
9. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Yoder: Has received complaints from local residents about the trash and junk in yards along Hickory Grove Rd South.
Murphy and Allums commended everyone's hard work for a very well run Yatta Abba Day Festival.
10. ADJOURNMENT – Upon motion by Yoder and second by Helms, the Council unanimously voted to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Pam Ward, CMC – Clerk/Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 15-04-A

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville, Alabama, a municipal corporation, desires to establish common guidelines for activation of outdoor warning sirens throughout Henry County Alabama.

WHEREAS, the intent of this best practices list is to enhance decision making by citizens when outdoor warning sirens are activated. It is NOT intended to remove a jurisdiction's obligation or responsibility to alert or warn its community if a situation falls outside of the parameters of this policy.

WHEREAS, Outdoor warning sirens represent only one part of a broader public emergency notification system. Other components include: NOAA All-Hazards Weather Radio, law enforcement, emergency management, text notification networks, private sector meteorologists and the media. Sirens are used to alert citizens of an imminent hazard, and prompt them to find shelter and seek further information.

WHEREAS, research shows that confusion hinders public response during emergencies. Using common guidelines for outdoor warning sirens throughout the various jurisdictions of Henry County Alabama will minimize confusion in emergency situations. Establishing a standard will also enable communities to partner in an area-wide public education campaign regarding sirens and the overall public emergency notification system.

BE IT RESOLVED that Warning Siren testing shall be done on a regular schedule (at least monthly) using the standard "ALERT" sound. Testing of Sirens should not be done if thunderstorms are in the area and should not be rescheduled.

BE IT RESOLVED that ONLY the "ALERT" (steady) Sound is to be used, lasting for at least 3 minutes. If sirens have more than one tone, local officials should pre-determine the tone that is most discernible and use that tone for all alerts.

BE IT RESOLVED that only sirens in the path of the storm (within the National Weather Service warning polygon) should be activated, if the siren system is capable. An "all clear" tone WILL NOT be used.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT siren activation will be when the National Weather Service issues or re-issues a Tornado Warning or without a warning, when reliable reports from TRAINED weather spotters indicate a tornado is occurring or imminent in the area. During a Severe Thunderstorm Warning ONLY IF: Destructive winds of 75mph or greater have been confirmed. Sirens will not sound just because a Severe Thunderstorm Warning has been issued while a Tornado Watch is in progress.

Adopted this, the 18TH day of May, 2015.

By: _____
JIM GIGANTI, AS ITS MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAM WARD, CMC – CLERK/TREASURER

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 15-05-B

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville, Alabama is hereby making known its intent to apply to the State of Alabama for FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Community assistance under the provisions set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as revised; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body of the City of Abbeville, Alabama recognizes J.M. Giganti, Jr., Mayor, as the appropriate City Official authorized to act on behalf of the City in such dealings; and

WHEREAS, this body acknowledges that the Mayor's signature shall be binding upon the City of Abbeville, Alabama, in such matters; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED; that this legislative body of the City of Abbeville, Alabama hereby authorizes J.M. Giganti, Jr., Mayor of the City of Abbeville, to act as the appropriate City Official on behalf of the City of Abbeville in dealings with the State of Alabama and to sign any and all necessary application papers requesting Community Development Block Grant assistance; as well as, any necessary contracts or other agreements relative to the implementation of the proposed project should funding approval be secured by the City of Abbeville, Alabama.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on this the 18TH day of **May, 2015**.

J.M. Giganti, Jr., MAYOR

Terry Allums, DISTRICT I

Brendt Murphy, DISTRICT II

Eddie L. Jones, DISTRICT III

Billy Helms, DISTRICT IV

Betty Yoder, DISTRICT V

ATTEST:

Pam Ward, CMC - City Clerk/Treasurer

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 15-05-C

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville, Alabama has made known its intent to apply to the State of Alabama for FY 2015 Community Development Block Grant assistance under the provisions as set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; as revised, and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to this Council's attention that there exists a local match component in the State of Alabama's rating criteria for potential approval of the grant request; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the application requesting FY 2015 CDBG assistance therein commits the sum \$33,000.00 in private "homeowner" funds to leverage \$297,000.00 in rehabilitation specific CDBG funds to rehabilitate twenty (20) substandard, low and/or moderate income occupied housing units within the Ash Drive Target Area depicted in the FY 2015 CDBG application. In the event these "private dollars" do not materialize in their entirety, the City of Abbeville obligates itself to make-up any difference via the injection of local monies associated with CDBG eligible activities within the boundaries of the Ash Drive Target Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Abbeville, Alabama that they commit to inject the sum of \$2,000.00 in cash match to be utilized for program management services should approval of the grant be forthcoming. Therefore, the match commitment in conjunction with the City's FY 2015 CDBG application totals \$35,000.00.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this the **18TH** day of **May, 2015**.

J.M. Giganti, Jr., MAYOR

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