

June 19, 2017

The Mayor and Council of the City of Calera met on June 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Calera City Hall with the following present:

Mayor: Jon G. Graham

Council Members: Ernest Montgomery, Alan Watts, David Bradshaw, Chris Bunn, Philip Busby, Kay Snowden Turner

Department Heads: Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief
Reggie Darden, Building Official
Seth Gandy, Park and Recreation Director
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
Matt Worthen, IT Manager
Kelly Ellison, Finance Director

Guests: Fred Hoskins, Harold Cole, Randy and Rebecca Krueger, Calvin Morgan, Cortez Tolbert, Markus Snowden and Arianne Turner

Mayor Graham called the meeting to order and Dr. Jason Jarvis opened with a Word of Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Bradshaw made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the following minutes:

Regular Meeting – June 5, 2017
Work Session – June 5, 2017

Council Member Watts seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief advised the Defibrillators have been installed and thanked everyone that attended the CPR and Defibrillator training on Monday, June 12, 2017.

Seth Gandy, Park and Recreation Director thanked the Police, Fire and Park Department for their part in making the World Series Baseball Tournament held this past weekend a success.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council Member Montgomery thanked the Park and Recreation Department for helping with the Farmers Market. These employees do just a great job.

Council Member Watts gave his condolences to the family of Douglas L LeSueur. Mr. LeSueur was the proud owner of Shelby County Pest Control for 32 years and served on the City Council during the early 1980's.

Council Member Bradshaw stated he has received many great comments on the recent Fairy Tale Ball held at the Library.

Council Member Busby recognized the following individuals on their accomplishments:

2017 All County Softball Team

Ashlynn Hamm, Pitcher – Second Team
Nicole Harrelson – Honorable Mention
Michaela Landrum – Honorable Mention
Charley Clark – Honorable Mention

2017 All State Baseball Team

Jacob Smith, Pitcher, 5A Co-Player of the Year
Quin Darius Crew, Designated Hitter

2017 All County Baseball Team

Jacob Smith, Pitcher, First Team
Quin Darius Crew, Designated Hitter, First Team
Will Glasscock, Second Base, Second Team
Christian Hall, Designated Hitter, Second Team
Kevin Dowdell, Honorable Mention
Austin McKinney, Honorable Mention

Council Member Busby thanked the Fire Department for the recent CPR and Defibrillator training. Mr. Busby advised all of the city coaches will receive the same training. Mr. Busby has concerns about recent vandalism at the Savannah Pointe Pool. He has spoken with the HOA and will request additional police patrol from Chief Lemley.

Council Member Turner stated she would like for the City to hang door hangers on the water customer's door when we are aware of a high consumption. The customer needs to be aware they may have a leak or a busted pipe.

Mayor Graham advised the water department has a system in place to notify customers when there is a high consumption. We notify the customer by phone or by placing a door hanger on their door if we cannot reach them by telephone.

Council Member Turner stated she recently spoke with ALDOT concerning the bridge project at I65. Ms. Turner had a few questions about ATRIP funding. Ms. Turner stated the next two letting dates for the project are scheduled for: August 25, 2017 or September 29, 2017. Pending all utility agreements are completed the project is scheduled for the August 25, 2017 letting date.

Chris Pappas, City Engineer explained how the ATRIP funding works. The funding goes directly to the State and the city is responsible for paying our percent to the State.

Council Member Turner stated the grand opening of Chick-fil-a is scheduled for June 29, 2017.

MAYOR REPORT:

No report given

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Graham introduced the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. R-2017-12

WHEREAS, a declaration signed by Mark Rawls, Oscar Canales, Karla P. Meraz, Towannah D. Bishop owners of the lands abutting the hereinafter described portion of streets and/or alleys situated in the City of Calera, County of Shelby, State of Alabama, vacating said streets/alleys or portion of streets/alleys, has been duly presented to the City Council of the City of Calera, Alabama, for assent and approval of said governing body, said declaration attached being hereto affixed, marked "Exhibit A," and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the street or alley referred to are more particularly described as follows:

See Attached Legal Description

Exhibit A

WHEREAS, it appears to the City Council of the City of Calera, Alabama that the vacations of said street/alley are in order and that convenient and reasonable means of ingress and egress is afforded to all other property owners owning properties in the subdivision embraced in said map of Dunstan's Survey of the City of Calera, Alabama. Subject, however to all existing right-of-ways or easements for public utilities and to all utility facilities presently situated in said area vacated, subject to this provision.

Council Member Bradshaw moved that unanimous consent of the Council be given for immediate action upon Resolution No. R-2017-12.

Council Member Bunn seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Bradshaw, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said motion carried and unanimous consent given for the consideration of said Resolution.

Council Member Watts moved that Resolution No. R-2017-12 be adopted. Council Member Busby seconded said motion and upon vote, the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Bradshaw, Graham, Bunn, Busby, Turner

NAYS: None

Mayor Graham declared Resolution No. R-2017-12 adopted.

Adopted this 19th day of June, 2017.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

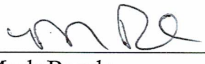
Connie B. Payton, City Clerk

REQUEST TO VACATE STREET / ALLEY

I, Mark Rawls, Oscar Canales & Karla P. Meraz, Towannah D. Bishop do hereby request the Mayor and Council of the City of Calera, Alabama to vacate the following described alley:

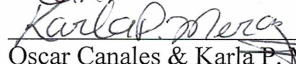
**A portion of the 20 foot right-of-way alley located in Block 260 according to the J.H. Dunstan's map of the Town of Calera.
(See attached Legal Description)**

We further certify that we are the sole property owners adjacent to said street and the vacation of this street would not deny ingress and egress to other property owners owning properties in subdivision embraced in said map of J. H. Dunstan's Survey of the Town of Calera.



Mark Rawls

Date: 5/26/17

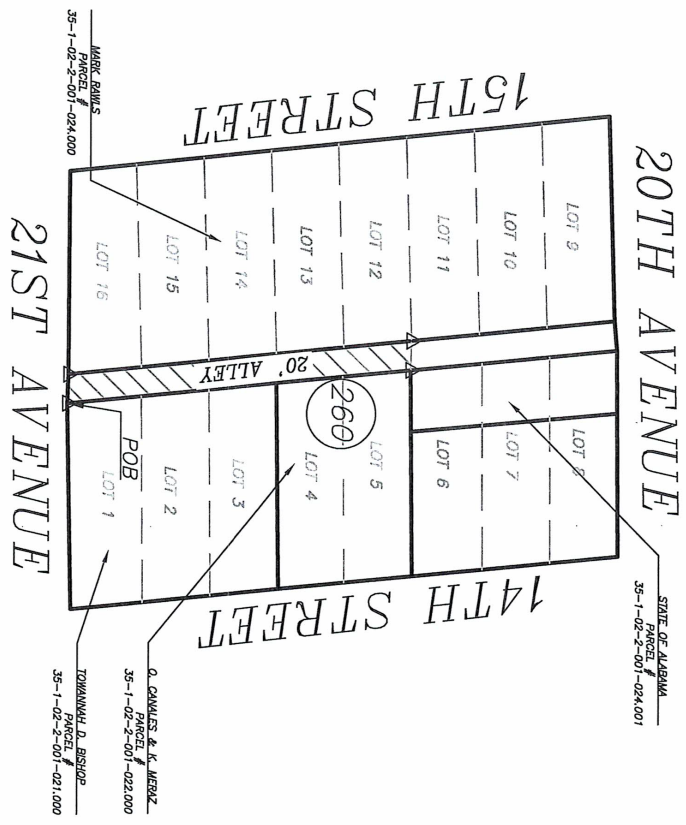
Oscar Canales & Karla P. Meraz

Date: 5/29/17



Towannah D. Bishop

Date: 6-7-17

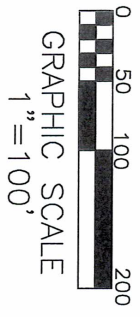


ALLEY CLOSING
STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

A portion of the Alley lying in Block 260 according to J. H. Dunston's Map of the Town of Calera shall be closed. The aforementioned Alley of said Map is located in the City of Calera, Shelby County, Alabama and is described as follows:

Begin at the Southwest corner of Lot 1, Block 260 of the J. H. Dunston Map, said point also being on the north right-of-way of 21st Ave.; thence north along the west boundary line of Lots 1 through 5 of said Block 260 to the northwest corner of Lot 5; thence west across said Alley a distance of 20 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 12 of said Block 260; thence south along the east boundary line of Lots 12 through 16 of said Block 260 to the southeast corner of Lot 16 and said point being on the north right-of-way of 21st Ave; thence east along said right-of-way a distance of 20 feet to the Point of Beginning.

- LEGEND
- POC POINT OF COMMENCEMENT
 - POB POINT OF BEGINNING
 - △ POINT



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GUESTS:

Ignacio Pullum, Safety Manager and Community Spokesman for G & R Mineral Services, Inc. shared with the Mayor and Council Members the overall safety vision of G & R Mineral Services, Inc... Mr. Pullum is proud to announce no major accidents or injuries have been reported and encourages all employees to stop and hydrate during this summer heat. G & R Mineral Services, Inc. encourages all of their employees to shop local and give back to their community.

State of the Calera Schools Presentation

Calera Elementary School, Grades K – 2, Genet Holcomb, Principal

Mrs. Holcomb gave an overview of the 2016 -2017 school year:

- Completed year one of the Leader in Me Program
- Implemented Leadership Notebooks and Goal Setting in January, 2017
- Over 400 students participated in student led conferences with the teacher and their parents
- 17 teachers were trained in Phonics First Orton Gillingham Strategies
- Building and Grounds Improvements
- Actively Engaged PTO

Mrs. Holcomb discussed the vision for the upcoming 2017 – 2018 school year:

- We will complete year two of Leader in Me Focus: Complete Integration of the 7 Habits and Family Education
- Initiate Leadership Notebooks and Goal Settings in August 2017
- Increase the number of student led conferences
- Celebrate Small Victories (Faculty / Staff / Students Modeling the 7 Habits)
- Full Implementation of Walk to Read utilizing Orton Gillingham Strategies
- Build on Strong Partnerships with all stakeholders

Calera Intermediate School, Grade 3 – 5, Tina Evans, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Evans gave an overview of the 2016 – 2017 school year:

The Intermediate School focus was Academic Progress:

Increased scores in Math

Increased scores in Reading

Developing Soft Skills in our students

Focusing on College and Career Readiness

Mrs. Evans discussed the vision for the upcoming 2017 – 2018 school year:

Student Engagement:

- Coin War Week
- Earth Day Partnerships w/ Argos
- Student Dances
- Field Day
- Field Trips
- School Garden

Student lead organizations:

- Drama – Peter Pan
- Student Government Association
- Choir
- First Aid and Training Groups
- Engineering Club
- House
- Robotics Team
- Calera Intermediate School Pageant
- Newspaper

Calera Middle School, Grade 6 – 8, Branden Vincent, Principal

Mr. Vincent gave an overview of the 2016 – 2017 school year:

Calera Middle Mission

Calera Middle School's mission is to provide an environment that fosters positive relationships, strengthens independent thinking skills and engages students in relevant learning experiences in order to inspire lifelong learning.

Accomplishments:

- Over 300 A – B Honor Roll Students
- Aspire score proficiency increase for the third straight year
- Reading Scores increased by 10%
- Math Scores increased by 20%
- 2 Duke Tip Recipients
- Increased the number of Advanced Classes being offered
- Completed in State Robotics Competitions
- Football Stadium Renovations
- Raised over \$1000.00 for Breast Cancer Awareness Week
- Second Successful Calera Middle School Career Day
- Student volunteers at the retirement home
- Donate to Children's Hospital
- Over Eight (8) Chromebook Carts

Mr. Vincent discussed the vision for the upcoming 2017 – 2018 school year:

- Project LEAD

- Recognition Notices – Student Reward Programs
- Increase Student Leadership Opportunities
- Increase Student Reading Opportunities
- Begin a Competitive Chess Program

Calera High School, Grade 9 – 12, Joel Dixon, Principal

Mr. Dixon gave an overview of the 2016 – 2017 school year:

“Every Child a Graduate and Every Graduate Prepared”

Every senior but one who began the year graduated

US News and World Report – Top 24 Schools in Alabama

Average ACT Score – 18.0 – 18.95

Increased scores in Reading 3.5%

Increased scores in Science 3.6%

Increased scores in English 6.6%

Increased scores in Math 9%

Five students earned State Champions in Career Tech Fields

Calera High School again had the highest number of students enlisting in Armed Services after graduation

Second round of State Playoffs in the following sports:

Football, Basketball, Baseball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer

Number 1 Athletic program in the State of Alabama – al.com

Choir – Best in Show – New Orleans Music Festival

Band – Best in Show – Andalusia Band Showcase

260 Students earned Honor Roll for the year

1.7 million dollars awarded in Scholarships to the graduating Class of 2017

Mr. Dixon discussed the vision for the upcoming 2017 – 2018 school year:

Implementation of Project Lead – 7 Habits

Increase Leadership Opportunities

Development and Increase Student Soft skills

Flight 60 Lunch Schedule

Increase Club Involvement

More focused Intervention

More Flexibility for Students

Continued Focus on Reading in all content areas

Primary Sources

Real World Scenarios

Adding additional AP Courses

AP Computer Science

AP Psychology

Third year for our Debate Team

Begin a Robotics Team

Every Department will develop a WIG (Wildly Important Goal)

Partnerships with the Community

Council Member Busby made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Approved this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk