

December 21, 2015

The Mayor and Council of the City of Calera met on December 21, 2015 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 and Bobby Joe Phillips

Department Heads: Reggie Darden, Building Official
Alison Powers, Library Director
David Jones, Public Works Director
Chris Pappas, City Engineer
Sean Kendrick, Fire Chief
Doug Smedley, Sewer Operations
Matt Worthen, IT Services Manager

Guests: Harold Cole, Joel Dixon and David Allison

David Allison called the meeting to order and 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:

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Work Session – December 7, 2015

Council Member Bunn seconded said motion which was carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

No reports given

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

No reports given

MAYOR REPORT:

No report given

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Graham introduced the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALERA, ALABAMA, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN “COVERED ITEMS” FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE LISTED WEEKEND IN FEBRUARY, 2016, AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT 2012-256, GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS THE STATE SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS SALES TAX HOLIDAY LEGISLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CALERA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In conformity with the provisions Act 2012-256 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2012 Regular Session, providing for a State Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday, the City of Calera, Alabama, exempts “covered items” from municipal sales and use tax during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Friday February 26, 2016 and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday (February 28, 2016).

Section 2. This ordinance shall be subject to all terms, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2012-256, except that the time period shall only be as specified in Section 1 above **and not for all years thereafter**.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the City of Calera, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on December 21, 2015.

Council Member Bradshaw moved that unanimous consent of the Council be given for the immediate action upon said Ordinance. Council Member Montgomery seconded said motion and upon vote the results were:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Bradshaw, Graham, Bunn, Phillips

NAYS: None

The Mayor declared said motion carried and unanimous consent given.
Council Member Bunn moved that Ordinance No. 2015-06 be adopted, which motion was seconded by Council Member Watts and upon vote the results were as follows:

AYES: Montgomery, Watts, Bradshaw, Graham, Bunn, Phillips

NAYS: None

Adopted this 21st day of December, 2015.

Mayor declared Ordinance No. 2015-06 adopted.

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

Mayor Graham announced the winners of the 2015 Calera Christmas Parade:

Best Holiday Spirit – Calera High School Marching Band
Best Use of Theme – Little Squirts – Alabama Bucket Brigade
Most Creative – Iglesia Bethel
Most Entertaining – Fountain of Life Church

Thanks to all who participated in the parade. We hope to see everyone back next year.

Council Member Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Approved this 4th day of January, 2016.

Jon G. Graham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Connie B. Payton, City Clerk