

# Alabaster

## Minutes of the Alabaster City Council Meeting

1953 Municipal Way  
Alabaster, AL  
July 1, 2019

The City Council assembled for the **Pre-Council meeting** and was called to order at 6:02 PM. The Council organized with Council President Scott Brakefield presiding and reviewed the upcoming agenda and general city concerns.

A **Regular Council Meeting** of the Alabaster City Council was held in the Council Chamber at 1953 Municipal Way, **Monday July 1, 2019 at 7:00 PM**, with Council President Scott Brakefield presiding.

**Present:** Rick Ellis (2), Greg Farrell (4), Russell Bedsole (5), Scott Brakefield (6), Kerri Pate (7)

**Absent:** Sophie Martin (1), Stacy Rakestraw (3) - A quorum was present.

### Meeting Opening

The meeting was opened with prayer by Council Member **Bedsole** and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Approval of Minutes:

Council Member **Pate** made a motion to accept the minutes from the **June 17, 2019** regularly scheduled Council Meeting and **June 27, 2019** Work Session which was seconded by Council Member **Farrell** followed by Council President **Scott Brakefield's** call for a voice vote.

**Ayes – All present    Nays – None    Abstain – None    Motion Passed**

### Approval of Agenda:

Council Member **Bedsole** moved to remove Nominations for County Board of Equalization from the agenda and made a motion to **accept the amended agenda** which was seconded by Council Member **Ellis**. Council President **Scott Brakefield** called for a vote (voice).

**Ayes – All present    Nays – None    Abstain – None    Motion Passed**

### Agenda Items:

\* **Public Hearing on these Items**

\*\* **Set Public Hearing on these Items**

1. **Resolution 070119 – Approving the Location of a Project Within the City of Alabaster Pursuant to Section 11-22-8 of the Code of Alabama 1975**

Council Member **Bedsole** introduced in the form of a motion, **Resolution 070119**, Authorizing Refinancing request for the YMCA Facilities within the City of Alabaster. Obligation will not in any way constitute a debt for the City of Alabaster. Council Member **Farrell** seconded. Council President **Brakefield** called for a vote.

**Ayes – All present    Nays – None    Abstain – None    Motion Passed**

**2. Resolution 070119-A – MOU with Shelby County’s PARA Group for Veteran’s Park**

Council Member **Ellis** introduced in the form of a motion, **Resolution 070119-A**, Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Shelby County’s Para Group for assistance with the Veteran’s Park Expansion Project. Cost not to exceed **\$11,680.00** for Labor, Fuel, Seeding and Mulching. Council Member **Bedsole** seconded. Council President **Brakefield** called for a vote.

Voting: **Ayes** – Rick Ellis (2), Greg Farrell (4), Russell Bedsole (5), Scott Brakefield (6), Kerri Pate (7)  
**Nays** – None **Abstain** – None **Motion Passed**

**3. Resolution 070119-C – Appointing Persons Designated to Give Oaths and Issue Warrants on Behalf of the City of Alabaster, Alabama**

Council Member **Farrell** introduced in the form of a motion, **Resolution 070119-C**, A resolution designating those persons who are authorized to issue oaths and warrants of arrest for violations of city ordinances on behalf of the City, and to set the term thereof. Council Member **Ellis** seconded. Council President **Brakefield** called for a vote.

**Ayes** – All present **Nays** – None **Abstain** – None **Motion Passed**

**4. \*\* Ordinance 19-90 – Amending Section 2-22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Alabaster (2015)**

Council Member **Pate** made a motion to set a public hearing for **Ordinance 19-90** - Allowing the Mayor to participate in health insurance as is provided by the schedule and regulations for all city employees and have use of City owned vehicle or vehicle allowance as set by Resolution 121712-I of the Council. Councilmembers shall be entitled to enroll in health insurance and shall pay the full premium. (*Public Hearing Set for July 15, 2019*) Council Member **Farrell** seconded. Council President **Brakefield** called for a vote.

**Ayes** – All present **Nays** – None **Abstain** – None **Motion Passed**

**Council Member Comments:**

- **Work Session** was scheduled for Thursday **July 11, 2019 at 6:00 PM** in the Alabaster City Hall Conference Room.


**Audience Comments:**


- Mr. Gary Sokolowski of 305 Grande View Trace stated that he had the right to speak based on the US Bill of Rights Amendment I. He noted that he was not allowed to speak during Council Work Sessions. He also cited Amendment IV and stated that when he is asked for his name, the City is seizing his personal property.

Council Member **Bedsole** made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sokolowski continued to address the Council. Council President **Brakefield** asked if there was a second to the motion to adjourn and Council Member **Farrell** seconded. Council President **Brakefield** called for a voice vote.

Voting: **Ayes** – All present **Nays** – None **Abstain** – None **Motion Passed**

All in attendance were in favor and said meeting **adjourned at 7:13 PM.**

  
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J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

  
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Scott Brakefield, Council President