# MINUTES OF THE DEMOPOLIS COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEMOPOLIS, ALABAMA

The City Council of the City of Demopolis met for the work session on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at Rooster Hall at 4:15pm.

The work session was convened and the Council received a preliminary agenda and the supporting documentation for the City Council meeting. The Mayor and Council reviewed the agenda and determined the order for consideration at the Council meeting.

There being no further business, the work session was adjourned.

# **Regular Meeting**

The Mayor Pro-Tem called the meeting to order with an invocation by Julius Rembert, Building Official followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:

Council Members: Mayor Pro-Tem Charles Jones-District 1

Nathan Hardy-District 2 Harris Nelson-District 3 Bill Meador-District 4 Cleveland Cole-District 5 Sam Gross-City Clerk

Absent: John Laney, Mayor

The Mayor Pro-tem entertained a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes under new business:

The new numbers:

- 1. Auditor
- 2. Jackson Street Bridge
- 3. Bids for repair of the Statue
- 4. ABC Application
- 5. TAP Grant
- 6. 4th Avenue

District 3 Councilman made the motion to approve the agenda with the amendments. District 2 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.

The Council reviewed the minutes of June 7, 2018 regular scheduled meeting. District 4 Councilman made the motion to approve the minutes. District 2 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.

#### **Announcements:**

- Mayor and Council received a thank you letter Demopolis Chamber of Commerce supporting the Freedom on the River.
- Demopolis Boxing Club Event will be held on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at 6pm at U.S. Jones Elementary School.
- Songwriters Festival will be held on Saturday, July 7, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

## **Reports from Departments:**

### Department Heads:

Police- Tommie Reese
 Fire-no report
 Park & Recreation-2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting
 Library-2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
 Court-2<sup>nd</sup> meeting-submitted
 Building Official-Julius Rembert-submitted
 City Hall-2<sup>nd</sup> meeting- Sam Gross-submitted

Departmental report submitted as stated above.

#### **Projects:**

- Dilapidated Building: Since the last City Council meeting:
  - o Processing 18 more cases
  - o A total of 40 cases since the process starts
    - 14 demolitions and 3 in progress
- Asbestos training was completed by Public Works employees
- Demolition will begin at 401 Pettus Street
- Property owners are working to restore the historical area

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Access from Roman Alley: In progress but no update at this time.
- **Ditch on Decatur Street:** Per Mike Baker, Manager of Projects, there are some permit issues being worked on at this time.
- Capital Budget 2018-2019: District 4 Councilman made the motion to accept the 2018-2019 Capital budgets in the amount of \$187,594.00. District 3 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.

#### **New Business:**

 Auditor: Mr. Richard LeCroy made a presentation in the work session for audit report FY ending September 30, 2017. There were some recommendation in the report that the received. District 3 Councilman made the motion accept the recommendations of the audit and the

highlights of the reports. District 5 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.

- Jackson Street Bridge West Rebid- Mike Baker, Manager of Projects stated we will rebid with no
  time restraint and want ALDOT to combine both bridges. District 4 Councilman made the
  motion Department budget. District 5 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion
  passed with 5 yes votes.
- **Bids for repair of the Statue-** After receiving the bids received District 3 Councilman made the motion to approve Doric South bid to repair to the base of the statue. District 2 Councilman seconded the motion and motion passed with 5 yes votes.
- ABC Application-Restaurant Retail Liquor at The Foscue House located 21333 Hwy 80
  West: District 3 Councilman made the motion to accept the Liquor License Application
  for The Foscue House. District 5 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion
  passed with 5 yes votes.
- TAP Grant: District 3 Councilman made the motion to approve the Mayor to sign the contract with the Engineers so, they can start working on the TAP Project. District 5 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue: District 2 Councilman made the motion to add speed bumps on Braswell, Fields, and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. The number of speed bumps will be determined by Public Works Superintendent and the Director of Public Safety. District 5 Councilman seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 5 yes votes.

#### Committee/Board Reports: 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the month:

District 1 Councilman reported the new CEO Doug Brewer of Tombigbee Healthcare Authority has been on the ground unofficial all this month but his official start date is July 12, 2018.

Council Discussion: District 4 Councilman wanted to thank all Department Heads for an outstanding job.

## **Mayor Discussion:**

#### **Public Comments:**

- Ms. Annette Braxton-Complaint on Chestnut Street holding water and cause mosquitos.
- Mr. Dana McCants- bids on the Sidewalks project.
- Mr. Harold Park-complained about speeding and the Statue.

District 4 councilman made a motion to adjourn. District 2 Councilman seconded the motion, motion passed with 5 yes votes.

John I	aney, Mayor	
ATTES	·T:	
	Sam Gross, City Cler	·k

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#### Monument Repair for City of Demopolis

The City of Demopolis is seeking proposals and pricing to repair, realign, clean and provide an Obelisk for a monument located in the City of Demopolis. Because of the Historical significance of this monument, the repairs will be performed to retain, as close as possible, the original appearance of the monument. The scope of work is as follows.

- 1—Damaged areas of Monument shall be repaired to a state as close to the original appearance as possible. The repair is required without the addition of new sections to monument. The methods used to perform this work shall be explained with options to either patch or reface the original stone without destroying the original appearance. There are five (5) pieces subject to repair which will be noted to Vendor at time of inspection for pricing request.
- 2—An Obelisk (as close as possible to illustration supplied) will be considered by the City Council to be installed atop the current monument. An inscription which will be visible from ground level stating "For all Those Who Have Fallen" shall be inscribed in raised letters on two sides of Obelisk which faces East and West when erected. The Obelisk shall maintain an overall height of seven (7) feet from the base located at the top of the Monument. An illustrated drawing showing Obelisk atop the current monument will accompany your proposal.
- 3—Pricing shall include all materials, mobilization costs, crane rentals and labor.
- 4- Proposal shall also include a time schedule for completion of work including any needs for traffic control during construction.

# Doric-South, Inc.

PO Drawer 1046 Demopolis, AL 36732

Ph: 334.289.3310 / F: 334.289.0505

June 5, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor John Laney

From: Larry Turberville

Mr. Mayor,

You have requested quotes for repairing damaged pieces either by patching with fillers or two-part epoxy. The only piece that may be done with fillers is the slant facing south. There is a small chip on one of the letters and I feel this will suffice. Any other patches using this method would be subject to future maintenance and would be as obvious as the existing concrete patch there now.

Refacing may be an option, but the spalls are so deep that my concern would be how much to take off. I will not know the full overlap measurements until the memorial is disassembled. If it is determined that we can reface without jeopardizing the structural integrity of the foundation, we will do so and pass the savings to the city.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this proposal and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Larry Turberville

President

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June 4, 2018

Price Quote - Repair of existing Confederate monument foundation and addition of new grey granite obelisk

- 1. We propose to begin the repair of existing foundation by disassembling the unit to ground level. We ask the city to remove existing landscaping in preparation for this. We also will request the city to provide traffic barriers for the length of the disassembly, 1 to 2 days and for the re-erection, 1 to 2 days.
- 2. We propose to replace the following:

	<ul> <li>(1) 60" x 60" x 16" all steel with drop wash sub-base</li> <li>(1) 89" x 18" x 9" rail</li> <li>(1) 72" x 10 3/4" x 10" rail</li> <li>(1) 50" x 14" x 19" slant with raised letters</li> <li>(1) 50" x 14" x 19" slant (repaired from original)</li> </ul>	\$ 5,850.00 \$ 980.00 \$ 870.00 \$ 3,900.00 \$ 300.00
3.	We will provide 7ft Obelisk per photos provided by the city as close as possible. (We have provided a drawing showing details)	\$55,000.00
4.	Disassembly, re-erection, crane and labor	\$20,000.00
5.	Cleaning of existing granite	\$ 5,000.00
6.	Freight and travel	\$ 5,500.00
	TOTAL	\$97.400.00

Estimated time of completion is 4-6 months.

Material of construction is Georgia Gray granite as is the original foundation.

Obelisk will be drilled and dowelled for stability.

The required down payment is 50% and is due at the time of acceptance.

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June 4, 2018

PRICE QUOTE - Repair of Confederate Soldier

Repair of the statue by gluing and doweling for strength

\$14,750.00.

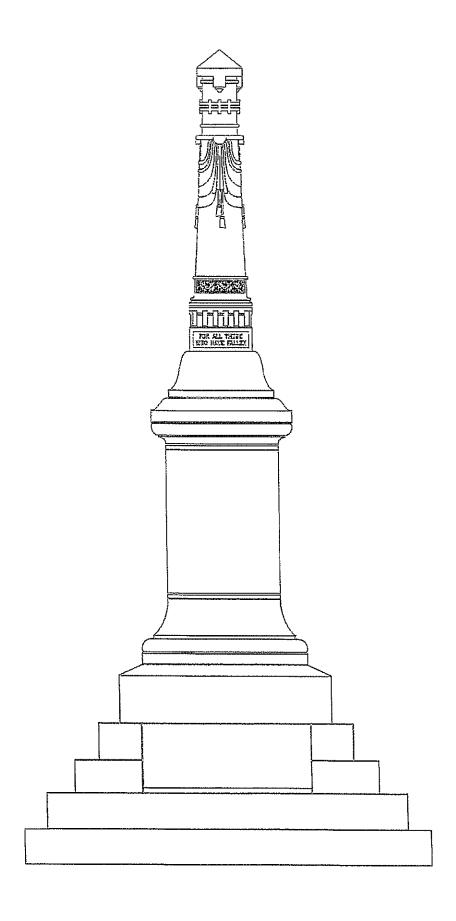
We will use existing broken pieces of the existing statue to put back as close as possible to the original form.

Estimated time of completion

4-6 months

\*\*\*\*\*We cannot guarantee the repaired full size statue to last forever, but we are confident that placing the statue out of the elements would ensure a long lasting repair.

\*\*\*\*\* Price does not include the placing or installing statue in future site.





Montgomery 334-676-1706 Auburn/ Opelika 334-329-5122 Birmingham 205-582-2663 Jasper 205-471-7350

June 4, 2018

John Laney, Mayor Mike Baker Office of the City Clerk 211 North Walnut Avenue P.O. Box 580 Demopolis, Alabama 36732

#### Gentleman,

Thank you for allowing Legacy Memorials to bid on the repairs to the Confederate Memorial in downtown Demopolis. I've broken down your project sheet with respect to each of the items requested. I stated on the phone last month that the cost wouldn't be much different than before. I apologize, but there is an increase in some items as I priced this originally a while back. I've also chosen a different specialty crane company because I've used them before to set an obelisk and they did a fantastic job. They are also more expensive but well worth the expense.

## Project 1: STATUE

It is my opinion that the statue can only be repaired for show in the museum as was previously discussed. The statue pieces can be put back together with our special compound but you will always be able to see the cracks in the stone where the statue was pieced back together. Because the statue was originally designed to balance using the legs and gun, there is no way to tell if piecing the statue will be sufficient to ensure proper balancing. I recommend placing the statue in the museum and securing it with extra supports.

Legacy Memorials can piece the statue back together with the special compound and deliver to the museum for \$4,595.00. This does not include securing to the permanent backdrop or support as we will defer this to the action to the city. The city would agree to a hold harmless agreement as Legacy Memorials would not be liable for the stability of the statue.

#### Project 2:

#### MONUMENT BASE AND OBELISK

In the latest bid request it is suggested that repairs be made to the granite base without adding or replacing new pieces. I believe this to be an inaccurate request because any compound added would never sufficiently blend, look correct, or be structurally sound and therefore it is not a service we offer. If the city wishes to repair the base and pedestal we could help with supplying new pieces. To restore only the base, I recommend lifting the pedestal portion of the base and replacing two support pieces on the eastern side of the monument. Also, we recommend replacing the main 5-0 x 5-0 x 1-4 pedestal with new stock as well as duplicating the two slant markers with lettering on the north and south sides of the monument. If needed Legacy Memorials could supply a quote to simply reposition the existing pieces and add the obelisk.

All of these will be predicated on the use of a specialty crane.

Below I've broken out each item that I suggested be replaced. If you chose to not replace an individual piece, you could subtract that from the overall total.

Specialty Crane Rental/ Per Day: \$6,500 estimate of 1 day, maximum of 2 days (See Note Below)

First Base Piece 7-2 x 1-6 x 0-9

\$4,200

Second Base piece 6-0 x 0-10.75 x 0-10

\$3,800

Lettered Slant 1- 4-2x 1-2 x 1-6

\$13,500 Lettered

Lettered Slant 2-4-2 x 1-2 x 1-6

\$7,800

Pedestal Base 5-0 x 5-0 x 1-4

\$12,800

Obelisk 7-0 tall

79.000

(This figure could be reduced if the design elements of the the obelisk are changed or subdued. This price increased dramatically because of the ornate natural of the

obelisk)

Total with 1 day crane rental:

\$127,600

(NOTE: A different crane company from the original has been quoted that has experience in rigging/setting obelisks. Because of the geometry and weight of the shape it is more weight and risk associated) They are more expensive, but I have more confidence in their abilities.)

# **ADDITIONAL NOTES:**

Legacy Memorials will clean the monument using a variety of techniques and will attempt to remove some of the staining from the auto collision. Some of the stains may not be able to be completely removed. Finally, because Legacy Memorials will need to use heavy duty pry bars in addition to the crane, there may be some minor chipping that occurs on the underside of some pieces. This is common in the memorial industry but we will do everything possible to prevent chipping.

The resetting of the pedestal will happen the same day as the setting of the obeliskl. We request that at least two adjoining streets be closed at the intersection where the monument is located so that we will have a place to park the crane and operate in safety. Lastly, we will do everything we can to protect the landscaping around the

pedestal, but we may have to move the crane close to the structure and some plants may be damaged. We expect the entire project to take a full day to complete but could possibly take 2 days.

Item: Payment

I am sending a copy of this quote to Ms. Jennifer Long of the Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation. My understanding is that the final payment will be issued to the city, less the deductible, once I send the invoice to Ms. Long. Because of the length of time for manufacturing, we would like to be paid within 10 days of completion and no more than 30 days, if at all possible. The payment should be sent my home office:

Legacy Memorials 515 Julianne Drive Leeds, AL 35094

We appreciate this opportunity to restore a piece of history for the City of Demopolis. Our crew has many years of experience in handling large monuments and memorials and we are confident that you will be pleased with the final results. Upon request we can provide our liability insurance that will cover the proposed work.

Please acknowledge your agreement by signing below. If any other issues arise we agree to leave those as open items to be discussed as they become material.

Thank you,

Brian Wilbanks
Legacy Memorials

Mayor

Date

Date

Additional City Official

Brian Wilbanks
President
Legacy Memorials, LLC