

# MINUTES, CITY OF ANDALUSIA COUNCIL

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STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF COVINGTON

ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA  
MAY 3, 2005

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Andalusia, Alabama, convened in a Regular Council Meeting on April 19, 2005, at 6:00 P.M., in Council Chambers in City Hall. The roll was checked by City Clerk John Thompson and those present and those absent were as follows:

### PRESENT:

Bridges, D. Anderson, Councilman  
Michael L. Jones, Jr., Councilman  
Andy Alexander, Councilman  
Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor  
Don Cotton, Councilman  
Terry Powell, Councilman  
Tom Albritton, City Attorney

### ABSENT:

None

Mayor Andrews presided at the meeting and called the meeting to order after which Councilman Powell voiced the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Powell moved that the minutes form the previous council meeting of April 19, 2005 be approved with one correction. Councilman Jones seconded the motion, and the council approved them unanimously.

### COUNCIL HEARS REPORT ON JOHNSON SKATE PARK PROJECT:

Leisure Services Director Dwight Mikel addressed the Mayor and City Council on the status of and made recommendations to the development of the Johnson Skate Park project. A follow-up report will be made in four weeks.

### COUNCIL TABLES ACTION ON TV STATION LICENSE PROPOSAL:

Mayor Andrews reported the need for a provision in the Andalusia business licensing schedule for TV stations.

Councilman Powell moved to table the discussion until further research could be completed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones and unanimously approved.

### COUNCIL DISCUSSES SPECIAL APPROPRIATION TO COVER GENERATOR REPAIRS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Upon hearing a report from Mayor Andrews concerning repairs made to the police department generator, Councilman Jones moved that \$4032.50 be appropriated from the contingency fund to complete the repairs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved unanimously.

### MAYOR ANNOUNCES THE REORGANIZATION OF VARIOUS BOARDS:

Mayor Andrews indicated the following three boards were inactive: the Historical Preservation Authority, the Andalusia Redevelopment Authority, and the Medical Clinic Board. He said that the council would soon be reorganizing these and hoped that interested citizens would volunteer their time to serve. He added that the Electricians Examining Board needed appointments and these would be forthcoming.

### MAYOR ANNOUNCES REQUEST FOR YOUTH RALLY:

Mayor Andrews announced a request for a youth rally, to be sponsored by area churches, that would take place downtown in July.

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COUNCIL RECOGNIZED ANDALUSIA COALITION FOR EDUCATION:

Mayor Andrews recognized the attendance of representatives of the Andalusia Coalition for Education and expressed the council's desire to continue to work with the Andalusia City School Board.

COUNCIL HEARS FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM ANDALUSIA IDB TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT:

Mayor Andrews reported that representatives from the Andalusia Industrial Development Board met with the Council during the workshop and encouraged them to move forward with plans with regard to the Wal-Mart project.

COUNCIL HEARS REPORT CONCERNING ALATAX:

Mayor Andrews cited a report from Alatax which showed an increase of 13% in sales tax collections over the last six months.

COUNCIL DISCUSSES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PACKAGE FOR SHAW:

Councilman Alexander reported that the City of Andalusia Utilities Board has agreed to support the Shaw economic development package along with Covington Electric Cooperative, the City of Opp, and Alabama Electric Cooperative. He encouraged the council to add the City of Andalusia's support to the project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Mayor Andrews issued an open invitation to a Law Enforcement service at 2:00 P.M., on May 13, 2005, at the Law Enforcement Memorial Marker in front on the Covington County Court House.

2) Councilman Powell requested a council planning/workshop meeting for the purpose of prioritizing projects and strategic planning.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting was adjourned.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: Jerry B. Andrews  
Jerry B. Andrews, Mayor

ATTEST:

John Thompson  
John Thompson, City Clerk