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**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COVINGTON**

**ANDALUSIA CITY HALL
ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA
MARCH 1, 2011**

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT:

Earl V. Johnson, Mayor
Will Sconiers, Councilmember
Kenneth C. Mount, Councilmember
Hazel Griffin, Councilmember
Jason Jewell, Councilmember
Mark Christensen, City Attorney

ABSENT:

Terry Powell, Councilmember

A special meeting was convened in Room 340, at the Andalusia City Hall, at 6:15 pm, for the purpose of hearing an appeal of a personnel decision. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order and then outlined the disciplinary actions taken, including termination, by police department personnel against Alvah Carlson.

After opening statements by Mr. Carlson's attorney, Alan Woodard, and City Attorney, Mark Christensen, and a review of the police department's actions, Mr. Woodard asked the council to overturn the decision and to reinstate Mr. Carlson. Councilmember Mount moved to take the meeting into executive session to discuss the matter further. Mr. Christensen stated that under the law, the council could enter into executive session. Councilmember Jewell seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The time was 8:35 pm.

At 8:40 pm, Mayor Johnson announced that the executive session was over and asked the council if it had reached a decision in the matter of the appeal by Mr. Carlson. Councilmember Mount moved to affirm the decisions of the police department.

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Councilmember Jewell seconded the motion. Mayor Johnson called for a vote which produced the following results:

YES:

Councilmember Sconiers
Councilmember Mount
Councilmember Griffin
Councilmember Jewell

NO:

ABSTAINED:

DID NOT VOTE:

Mayor Johnson

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Mayor Johnson called the meeting adjourned.

THE CITY OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA

BY: _____
Earl V. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

John Thompson, City Clerk – Treasurer