

**MINUTES
OF
April 15, 2014**

Work Session

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in a work session at City Hall in said city at 5:00 p.m. the 15th day of April, 2014. Those present were: Mayor Paul Murray, Councilmembers: William Hamblin, Mike Butler, Matt Dial, Tom Williams and Bill Black.

Jeremy McMath, Civil Southeast Engineering LLC, came before council to give an update on the ATRP project. Cara Stallman, Grant Management, discussed with council the TAP funding and a potential sidewalk project.

Pre-Council

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in the Pre-Council Session at City Hall in said city at 6:00 p.m. the 15th day of April, 2014. Those present were: Mayor Paul Murray, Councilmembers: William Hamblin, Mike Butler, Matt Dial, Tom Williams and Bill Black.

Mayor Murray discussed agenda items with council.

Jay Minus, City Attorney, called for an executive session to discuss economic development. Council went into executive session at 6:50 P.M.

Council reconvened at 7:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in the regular public session at City Hall in said city at 7:10 p.m. the 15th day of April, 2014.

Councilmember Dial gave the invocation and Councilmember Hamblin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following answered present: Mayor Paul Murray;
Councilmembers: William Hamblin, Mike Butler, Matt Dial, Tom Williams and Bill Black.

Also present were Vicki Miller, City Clerk; Tom Briand, Building Inspector; James Elmore, Public Works Supervisor; Fire Chief Clyde Miller and Chief Chris McLean, Police Department.

A quorum was present and Mayor Murray opened the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Murray presented the minutes from the meeting held on April 1, 2014 for approval. Councilmember Black made a motion to adopt the minutes. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

Special Recognitions- None Visitors- None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Reappointment of Emily Arellano and Billy Salter to the Satsuma Library Board.

Councilmember Hamblin made a motion to reappoint Emily Arellano to the Satsuma Library Board. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Hamblin made a motion to reappoint Billy Salter to the Satsuma Library Board. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

1. Request for exemption of payment of Steele Creek Lodge from Satsuma High Baseball for a baseball banquet on May 1st (Thursday).

Councilmember Hamblin made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. Request to hire Brandon Patton as Animal Control Officer

Councilmember Butler stated that Mr. Patton is currently working in this position as a provisional appointment. He stated that a list was received from the Personnel Board and then made a motion to hire Brandon Patton off the list for Animal Control Officer. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Give a report on the fire at Woodland Avenue and a meeting with the firefighters.

Councilmember Butler reported that on April 5th at approximately 1:19, the fire department received a call to a fire on Woodland Avenue at the home of June Criswell. He stated that Ms. Criswell was already deceased by the time the fire department arrived. The preliminary report is that she died from smoke inhalation. Councilmember Butler reported that Clayton Horton, Fire Fighter, positioned himself at her bedroom window and with Officer Kent Sellers holding his feet, he was able to keep the fire from spreading into her bedroom and thus allowing the family to have an open casket. He stated that the family paid a visit to the fire department and thanked them for their efforts. He commented that there have been numerous negative remarks on the *Voices of Satsuma Facebook* page and he wanted to set the record straight. He stated that he had Chief Miller pull his records for the last five (5) years and the department has had 77 fire related incidents with 11 of those being house fires. Of those 11, there has only been one other with fatalities. Councilmember Butler thanked Chief Miller and all the fire fighters both paid and volunteer for their efforts on this fire.

3. Report on the 911 service issues and meeting with the provider.

Councilmember Butler reported that Chief Miller attended a meeting with county representatives regarding the 911 issues and the paging system. The county has acknowledged that a tower went down during the storm which caused the Little's house fire and the county has agreed to furnish each volunteer department with new pagers at their cost.

3. Recognition of Chief Miller for ISO training accomplishment.

Councilmember Butler recognized Chief Miller and noted his accomplishment as one (1) of ten (10) in the county to receive the ISO training accommodation.

4. Acceptance of resignation letter from Joseph Hand, Jailer/Dispatcher

Councilmember Butler stated that Mr. Hand is moving out of the state and then made a motion to accept the resignation in good standing with his last work day being 5/1/14. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Butler reported that he and Chief McLean will be going to Selma on Wednesday to attend the graduation of Bryson McDaniel from the police academy.

Councilmember Butler reported that Officer Jeremy Wright hired from the City of Chickasaw is now on the job.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES:

1. Purchase an ad in the Graduation Issue of the Call News

Councilmember Dial made a motion to place a ¼ page ad in the special edition of the Call News for \$259.00. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Discussion of issue with the leaf pick up.

Councilmember Dial reported 1) the leaf vacuum was broken for several days, but now has been repaired and should be back on the street tomorrow. 2) Tom Briand has reported that there is an issue with residents placing loose leaves near drainage culverts and in ditches causing the drains to clog and back up water during heavy rains. Councilmember Dial stated that this issue will be addressed in the new storm water management plan. 3) The new leaf vacuum which was ordered and budgeted for last year will be arriving in a couple of weeks. He stated that the financing of the equipment will be presented at the next meeting.

Councilmember Dial reported that garbage will run on Good Friday.

Councilmember Dial reported that the North Mobile Relay for Life will begin at noon on April 26th and end at midnight. The event will be held on the Satsuma High School track and this year there will be a food cook-off.

ADMINISTRATION:

1- Payment of the Bills

Councilmember Williams made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reported that SARPC will be hosting the *South Alabama Highway Funding Conference* on May 2, 2014 in Daphne. He stated

that he would like to attend. The cost is \$40.00. Councilmember Hamblin made a motion for Councilmember Williams to attend the conference. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Councilmember Black reported that James Elmore requested council approval to purchase 5 (five) new weed eaters. Councilmember Black explained that this is a necessary purchase each year. He then made a motion to approve the purchase of five (5) weed eaters from American Rental for a price of \$255.96 each. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried

Councilmember Black reported that the RR crossing at Bayou was repaired by the railroad company.

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER
BUSINESS**

1. Resolution 2014-04-02- A Resolution to enter into an agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation relating to an agreement for the Cooperative Maintenance of Public Right of Way (pertaining to placing a flag pole at the south entrance to the city).

Councilmember Dial made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-04-02. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

Resolution Number 2014-04-02

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Satsuma, Satsuma, Alabama in Mobile County, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City enter into an agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation acting by and through its Transportation Director relating to an Agreement for the Cooperative Maintenance of Public Right of Way; and

WHEREAS, the agreement be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City, by its Mayor; and

WHEREAS, it be attested by the Clerk and the seal of the City affixed thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of the execution of the agreement by all parties, a copy of such agreement be kept on file by the City Clerk.

ADOPTED on this 15th day of April, 2014.

**/s/ Paul Murray
Paul Murray, Mayor**

I, the undersigned City Clerk, of the City of Satsuma, Satsuma, Mobile County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Satsuma, at a regular meeting of such Council held on the 15th day of April, 2014, and that such resolution is on record in the office of the City Clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Satsuma on the 15th day of April, 2014.

/s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk

2. Resolution 2014-04-03- A Resolution authorizing Civil Southeast LLC to make application to ALDOT for sidewalk improvements using the TAP funding.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-04-03.
Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-04-03

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CIVIL SOUTHEAST, LLC
TO MAKE APPLICATION TO ALDOT FOR
SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma, Alabama is interested in applying under Alabama Department of Transportation's, Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) for sidewalk improvements; and

WHEREAS, Civil Southeast has the staff and expertise to prepare the City of Satsuma's application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that a TAP Application be submitted to ALDOT and that the Council commits to 20% of the Construction Cost plus the Engineering cost and authorizes the Mayor to execute all required documents.

Passed this 15th day of April 2014, by the Council of the City of Satsuma.

/s/ Vicki Miller
Vicki Miller
City Clerk

/s/ Paul Murray
Paul Murray
Mayor

Adjournment

Councilmember Butler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

/s/ Paul Murray
Mayor Murray

Councilmember Hamblin

/s/ Mike Butler
Councilmember Butler

/s/ Matt Dial
Councilmember Dial

/s/ Tom Williams
Councilmember Williams

/s/ Bill Black
Councilmember Black

ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk