

MINUTES
June 5, 2012

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in a pre-council and regular public session at Satsuma City Hall in said city on the 5th day of June, 2012.

The Pre-Council Meeting of the Satsuma City Council

Members Present were Mayor Stewart, Councilmember Monk, Councilmember Williams and Councilmember Black. Mayor Stewart discussed agenda items with council. Councilmember Williams requested to go into executive session to discuss the good name and character of an employee. Councilmember Monk seconded the request and council went into executive session at 6:11 P.M. Council reconvened into the workshop session at 6:21 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Satsuma City Council

The City Council convened at 7:00 P.M. for the regular meeting.

Councilmember Williams gave the invocation.

Councilmember Monk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following members answered:

Mayor :	William F. Stewart
Council Members:	Pratt Monk
	Tom Williams
	Bill Black

Absent: Councilmembers Jackson and O'Gwynn

Also present were Jay Minus, City Attorney; Vicki Miller, City Clerk; James Elmore, Public Works Superintendent; Tom Briand, Inspector; Clyde Miller, Fire Chief; and Chris McLean, Police Chief and Edith Butler, Community Center Coordinator. Mayor Stewart stated a quorum was present and opened the meeting.

Mayor Stewart presented the minutes of the regular meeting on May 15, 2012 for approval. Councilmember Monk made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Special Recognitions

1. Recognition of Girl Scout Daisy Troop 8348

Mayor Stewart recognized Anabel Irby, Emily McDaniel, Harmony Gibson, Kayla White, Kyleigh Cartee, and Lily Gibson as the members of Girl Scout Daisy Troop 8348 and read some of the activities in which they were participants. Each girl was presented with a city pin.

Council recessed at 7:30 P.M.

Council reconvened at 7:40 P.M.

2. Dr. Joe Walters, Interim Superintendent of Satsuma City School System and Jimmy Upton, Board Member- update on school.

Mayor Stewart welcomed Dr. Walters and thanked him for his commitment. Mr. Upton expressed appreciation on behalf of the board to the city for all the support and help from the office staff especially Marcelinia Speller. Dr. Walters echoed Mr. Upton's statement and that the staff at city hall has all been a huge support. Dr. Walters reported that he and Linda Robbins signed the documents which officially turned the schools over to the school system. He stated that the buildings are in good shape and the board is making progress.

Visitors **None**

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES

Mayor's Report

Mayor Stewart requested a workshop session to discuss purchasing a vehicle for the inspection department, upcoming elections, the horse ordinance, and other city business that may need to be discussed. Councilmember Monk made a motion to hold a workshop session on June 18, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. at city hall. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Parks and Recreation: None

Administration and Finance:

1. Payment of the Bills presented.

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

Municipal Services:

Councilmember Monk expressed condolences on behalf of the Mayor and Council to the families of Kathryn Perkins and Allen McLean, Sr. (Chief Chris McLean's father and former councilmember of the City of Chickasaw).

Public Safety:

Councilmember Williams gave the public safety reports as follows:

Fire Department: 6 fire calls and 51 rescue calls with an average response time of 3.1 minutes.

Police Department: 786 calls with 74 misdemeanor arrests, 43 warrants, and 244 citations.

Councilmember Williams stated there will be an annual education council meeting at the Saraland Civic Center. He stated that the meeting will be open to the public and since this will be the first year for our own school system it would be good to go and show support.

Councilmember Williams reported that the fire department has had several calls recently where they have had to use their expertise. One was a call for a trailer fire at the RV campground. Upon arrival they were able to use the donated resuscitators to help two dogs suffering from smoke inhalation. Secondly, there was an accident on CC Trail and the firemen were able to stabilize the accident patient and then transport. Thirdly, a call was received regarding someone in cardiac arrest and upon arrival the EMT's had to use the defibrillator and they were able to resuscitate the patient. Councilmember Williams expressed his gratitude for having trained EMT's on duty.

Councilmember Williams reported that he, Councilmember Black and Vicki Miller attended the 2012 Alabama League Convention in Birmingham. He stated that the convention was good and he gained useful knowledge.

Councilmember Williams reported that the Memorial Day program had a good turnout and he thanked those involved in the coordination of the event.

1. Approval for Chief McLean to attend Alabama Chiefs of Police conference in Orange Beach on July 30-August 2 for a cost not to exceed \$900.00

Councilmember Williams stated that this will complete the classes needed for Chief McLean to maintain his accreditation. With no comments or questions,

Councilmember Williams made a motion to approve the expenditure. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Discuss cover shed for fire department

Councilmember Williams stated in the last meeting council approved an expenditure of \$1300 for a shed to cover Marine 1 in the fire department. After further review of the matter, the shed approved was not tall enough. Councilmember Williams stated that the price for a cover for that would work was over \$2000.00. After receiving this quote he asked James Elmore to get a price to build a shed which could be built adjacent to the fire station. He stated that the shed will be large enough (25' X50') to house Marine 1, Marine 2, and have an extra bay for the brush truck. Mr. Elmore received a material quote of \$3383.00. Councilmember Williams stated that the labor will be done by the Public Works Department. With no further discussions, Councilmember Williams made a motion to allocate an amount not to exceed \$3500.00 in lieu of the \$1300.00 that was approved at the last meeting to house the fire boats with the funds coming being disbursed from the grant funds. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

3. Discussion of emergency parking spaces at Steele Creek Lodge.

Councilmember Williams reported that he has received a request for the Water Rescue Team for emergency parking at Steele Creek. He stated that all the spaces close to the launch are taken and if there is a need the rescue team needs a place to park the fire truck and trailers. Mayor Stewart asked Tom Briand and James Elmore to look into feasibility of creating an emergency parking area and give an update at the next meeting.

4. Update on the warrant round-up and the discussion of the amnesty program.

Councilmember Williams asked Chief McLean to give an update on both programs. Chief McLean reported that in the month of June an amnesty program will begin. He stated that during the month, those parties that have been adjudicated and found guilty can pay their fines without any recourse. Chief McLean reported that during the warrant round-up 43 warrants were executed and over \$3000 was collected. Chief McLean reported that over the Memorial Day weekend, the officers worked the "Click It/Ticket" Program and any overtime that was incurred working that program will be reimbursed by the State.

Public Works:

Councilmember Black reported that the paving projects on Plateau Avenue and Avondale Court are complete and have passed inspection.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. *Introduction of Ordinance 500-An Ordinance change the intersection of Warrior and Pine Avenue West to a three- way stop.*

Councilmember Williams made a motion to introduce Ordinance 500. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

2. *Resolution 2012-06-01- A resolution authorizing the charging of a surcharge on credit/debit cards transactions.*

Councilmember Monk made a motion to introduce Resolution 2012-06-01. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Monk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Black seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

/s/ William F. Stewart, III
Mayor William F. Stewart III

/s/ Billy Jackson
Councilmember Billy Jackson

/s/Pam O’Gwynn
Councilmember Pam O’Gwynn

/s/ Pratt Monk
Councilmember Pratt Monk

/s/ Tom Williams
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/s/ Bill Black
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ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk