

**MINUTES
OF
May 20, 2014**

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 20th day of May, 2014. Those present were: Mayor Paul Murray, Councilmembers: Williams Hamblin, Mike Butler, Matt Dial, Tom Williams and Bill Black.

Mayor Murray discussed agenda items with council.

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in the regular public session at City Hall in said city at 7:00 p.m. the 20th day of May, 2014.

Councilmember Black 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 May 6, 2014 for approval. Councilmember Dial made a motion to adopt the minutes. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Kelly D'Angelo, wife of Bryan D'Angelo, came before the Council to speak on behalf of her husband who is running for District County Judge in the June 3rd Primary.

Councilmember Hamblin announced that the "We Love Satsuma" family event concluding with fireworks sponsored by First Baptist Satsuma will be on June 29th beginning around 4:00 P.M.

Mayor Murray stated that tonight the city will consider an resolution to designate the Satsuma section of U.S. Highway 43 at the "Charles Little Boulevard". He also stated that Mr. Little will be recognized with a bench on June 1st at the dedication of the sidewalk blocks at Baldwin Square

Special Recognitions-Key Students-Robert E. Lee School

Students were recognized by Mayor and Council and presented with a pin and certificate.

Council recessed at 7:25 to allow students and parents to leave.
Council reconvened at 7:30

Visitors-

1. Mike Davis-400 Burning Tree-Complaint about neighbor's yard. Mr. Davis came before Council to complain about an ongoing problem with his neighbor's yard and cats. He stated that he would like to see something done about the situation. Tom Briand reported that all but one car runs and he would speak with her about that car. He stated that if a vehicles runs and can be moved, then it does not violate the ordinance. Chief McLean stated that the county will no longer accept Ferrell cats. He stated that the resident has been cited in the past however he would revisit her again. Mayor Murray stated that if she is in violation she needs to be cited again.
2. Bobby Cunningham -State of Alabama Department of Agriculture and industries.

Mr. Cunningham came before Council stating that he is representing Commission of Agriculture John McMillan. Mr. Cunningham reported that Commissioner McMillan will be in town on June 4th at the Bayou Oak Center to dedicate a community garden. He stated that funds have become available to allow the residents of this home to create a garden on the property which will allow the residents to produce vegetables to be sold in stores or at a farmers market. He stated that funding has been cut to these residents and this will allow them to earn some income. He invited the Mayor and Council to attend the event on the 4th.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Discussion of proposal from Unified Recovery Group to renew contract for debris removal after a storm.

Councilmember Dial explained that this contract is necessary in order to get reimbursement from FEMA in case of a major storm event. He then made a motion to approve renewing the contract. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Discussion of participation in the 2014 "Back to School" Sales Tax Holiday.-August 1-3, 2014.

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

PARKS

1. Request for ad in the Call News Special Wedding Edition to be published June 25th.

Councilmember Hamblin made a motion to approve purchasing a ½ page ad for \$175.00 to promote Steele Creek Lodge. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. Approval to hire J.P. Miller as Fire Fighter I.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to hire J.P. Miller as a Fire Fighter I. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Approval to hire Eric Isabell as a Police Officer I

Councilmember made a motion to hire Eric Isabell as a Police Officer I. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

3. Approval to allow the police department use of City Hall for a Community Watch Meeting on June 12th at 6:45.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the usage of city hall for this event. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

4. Approval for Fire Fighter Mike Fitzpatrick to attend a Tactical Medic Class in Mobile on June 6th and 7th at a cost of \$350.00

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the request. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES:

Councilmember Dial expressed condolences on behalf of the mayor and council to the family of Helen Rhodes.

1. Report on Storm Water Management Plan

Councilmember Dial reported that the city is in the process of completing the Storm Water Management Plan that is required by the ADEM permit. The plan sets out guidelines for monitoring, education of the public and controlling pollutants in the storm drains.

2. Councilmember Dial reminded everyone that there is a burn ban from May 1 to October 31.

ADMINISTRATION:

1- Payment of the Bills

Councilmember Williams reported that the bills include the first payment on the landscape Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$5,536.30. He then made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Councilmember Williams reported that there will be a planning meeting for the upcoming Memorial Day events on Wednesday, May 21st at 9:00 A.M.

3. Councilmember Williams reminded everyone of the upcoming Election on June 3rd and that the voting locating has changed to the Satsuma High School Annex.

4. Councilmember Williams reported that there is the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Saraland/Satsuma Education Council on June 2nd at the Saraland Civic Center at

6:30 P.M. The cost is \$20 for individuals and \$35 for a couple. Awards and Scholarships are presented at this event.

PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Councilmember Black reported that due to the recent resignation of a public service worker, James Elmore will be looking for a replacement to fill the vacancy,
2. Councilmember Black reported that Public Works is working on the sidewalk on Old Highway 43. He stated that this is not a grant project and that public works is doing all the labor and city is providing all the materials.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution 2014-05-02 A Resolution to designate the Satsuma Section of U.S.Highway 43 at the “Charles Little Boulevard”.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-05-01. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-05-02

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA THAT;

WHEREAS, The City of Satsuma suffered a great loss on March 7, 2014 when former Mayor Charles Little passed away; and

WHEREAS, Charles Little served with distinction as a City Council member for 12 years beginning in 1968 and in 1980 was elected as Mayor where he served for 16 years.

WHEREAS, Charles Little was the longest serving elected official in Satsuma History; and

WHEREAS, during his service as mayor for the City, Mayor Little worked to create the City Seal, expand the boundaries of the City, improve parks and was instrumental in getting many roads paved. Charles Little was a man of honor and served as a “Southern Gentleman”. His efforts, most notably the installation of a sewer system, were invaluable toward the growth of the City.

WHEREAS, U.S. Highway 43 runs through the heart of the City of Satsuma and is well traveled by citizens and visitors to Satsuma; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its Mayor and City Council, believe it would be a fitting memorialization of Charles Little’s contributions to the City of Satsuma if the Alabama Legislature would designate the section of U.S. Highway that goes through Satsuma, Alabama as “Charles Little Boulevard”.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Satsuma City Council that the Council and Mayor supports , without reservation, the designation of the Satsuma Section of U.S. Highway 43 as “Charles Little Boulevard” and respectfully request the Alabama Legislature to act favorable on this designation.

ADOPTED and APPROVED on this 20th day of May, 2014

/s/ Paul Murray _____

Paul Murray, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Vicki Miller _____

Vicki Miller, City Clerk

1. Introduction of Ordinance 509- An Ordinance to provide and promote compliance by the city with federal and state laws governing the discharge of pollutants from the MS4 and to provide for and promote compliance with an NPDES permit issued to the city for such discharge.

Councilmember Dial made a motion to introduce Ordinance 509.
Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

Adjournment

Councilmember Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

/s/ Paul Murray
Mayor Murray

/s/ William Hamblin
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