

**MINUTES
OF
October 15, 2013**

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 October, 2013. 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.

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 15th day of October, 2013.

Councilmember Williams gave the invocation and Councilmember Butler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following answered present:

Mayor	Paul Murray
Council Members	Mike Butler
	Matt Dial
	Tom Williams
	Bill Black

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

A quorum was present and Mayor Murray opened the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Murray presented the minutes from the meeting held on October 1, 2013 for approval. Councilmember Dial made a motion to adopt the minutes. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Special Recognition

1. - Proclamation for Harriet Cain Gibson- Mayor Murray read a proclamation congratulating Harriet Gibson for being selected as Satsuma Citizen of the Year.

2. - Key Students

Mayor Murray presented the key students from Robert E. Lee with a pin and certificate.

Mayor's Report:

1. Mayor Murray reminded everyone of the change of meeting place of the November 5, 2013 meeting. Due to the runoff elections for Alabama 1st Congressional District Seat to be held at city hall, the meeting has been moved to the Library.

2. Mayor Murray stated that a request has been received from Satsuma High School to the council to purchase an ad in the Satsuma High School yearbook.

Councilmember Williams made a motion to purchase a ½ page ad for \$175.00. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

Parks and Recreation:

Councilmember Hamblin reported that the Satsuma Lions Club will be having a bucket drop on November 2, 2013. Councilmember Williams stated that one of the goals of the club is to provide a \$500 scholarship to seniors of Satsuma High School starting with one this year and increasing the numbers in the future.

Public Safety:

Councilmember Butler reported that the fire truck will be delivered Wednesday.

Councilmember Butler reported that Officer Michael (Duck) Williamson was taken to the hospital where he will be undergoing some tests.

Councilmember Butler reminded everyone of the Veterans Day events beginning with the parade at 9:00 and a ceremony to follow with Seymour Lichtenfeld as the guest speaker. Councilmember Butler also stated that Mr. Lichtenfeld has written a book, "Kriegle 312330", about his experiences while serving in the Army during WWII. The book will be on sale that day for \$20.00.

Municipal Services:

Councilmember Dial expressed condolences on behalf of the mayor and council to the family of Minnie Carroll Smith.

Councilmember Dials reported that he and Councilmember Williams will be meeting Thursday with representatives from Merchants Capital to hear a presentation on refinancing the bond issues.

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.

2- Other Business

Councilmember Williams reminded everyone of the municipal dinner Thursday sponsored by the Mobile Racing Commission at the Mobile Greyhound Park. He stated that new officers of the association will be installed.

Councilmember Williams commented on the good job done by Councilmember Butler emceeding during the dedication of the historic plaque at Baldwin Square. He also commented that Evelyn Butler did a good job giving the prayer.

Councilmember Williams stated that he, James Elmore and Tom Briand met with Taylor Davis of Baskerville and Donovan Engineering firm and looked at the plans for the paving of Old Highway 43 beginning at Juniper Avenue and going to the city limits. He stated that this is a Pay-As-You-Go project handled by the county and the project should be in the spring of 2014. Councilmember Williams also stated that there will be a public hearing on November 7, 2013 at First Baptist Satsuma from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM for public comments.

Councilmember Williams reported that the council has received a quote for catering the November municipal dinner sponsored by the city. He then made a motion to secure the services of Buster's for a total of \$1750.00. He also stated that Becky Murray has offered to cook gumbo for a cost of \$100.00. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reminded everyone of the Top Shot Competition sponsored by the Friends of Satsuma Schools on October 19, 2013. He stated that registration is at 9:00 AM with the competition beginning at 10:00 AM.

Councilmember Williams reported that there will be a candidate's forum open to the public to hear comments from the candidates for the congressional seat vacated by Congressman Jo Bonner. The event is to be held at Shiloh Baptist Church on October 20th at 5:30 PM.

Public Works:

Councilmember Black thanked Bridgett Nolan and James Elmore for helping with the safety lunch which was held last Friday. The luncheon was in appreciation to the workers in the public works department for 10 years without a loss time accident.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2013-10-05- A Resolution authorizing mayor to execute a grant agreement with Alabama Power Foundation, Inc.

Councilmember Dial reported that the city has received a grant from Alabama Power Foundation in the amount of \$1000 for the purchase of trees to be planted at Steele Creek.

He then made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-10-05. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

CITY OF SATSUMA RESOLUTION NO: 2013-10-05

A Resolution Approving Mayor to Execute Grant Agreement with Alabama Power Foundation, Inc.

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma applied for funding made available through the Alabama Power Foundation, Inc, .in the amount of \$1000.00 for 30 5- gallon Crape Myrtles and 13 5-gallon Red Maples to be planted at Steele Creek Lodge in the newly paved parking area.

SECTION 2. WHEREAS, the City has received confirmation of receipt of the grant in the amount of \$1000.00 and a grant agreement to be executed by the Mayor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Paul J. Murray, is hereby authorized to execute and submit the grant agreement as required under the terms of the Good Roots Grant.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 15th day of October, 2013.

/s/ Paul Murray

Paul J. Murray
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Vicki Miller
CITY CLERK

2. Resolution 2013-10-06- A Resolution agreeing to a seven year lease agreement with Regions Bank for the new Ferrara Fire Truck and authorizing mayor to execute the lease documents.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-10-06.
Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-10-06

WHEREAS, the governing body of CITY OF SATSUMA (the “Lessee”) has determined that in order for the Lessee to better accomplish its public purposes, the Lessee needs to acquire the use of the Equipment described in the schedule attached to or set forth in the Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement (the “Lease”) attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee has determined that the most economical and efficient means of acquiring the use of said Equipment is pursuant to a lease-purchase of the Equipment pursuant to the Lease; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Lease has been presented to, considered and approved by the governing body of the Lessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LESSEE, as follows:

1. The Lessee is hereby authorized to enter into the Lease between the Lessee and Regions Equipment Finance Corporation, as Lessor, with all riders, certificates, schedules, and amendments thereto, substantially in the form attached hereto, and the execution and delivery of the Lease is hereby approved, authorized, ratified and confirmed.

2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Lease on behalf of the Lessee in substantially the form presented to the governing body of Lessee at this meeting with such changes or additions thereto or deletions therefrom as the officer executing the same shall approve, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by his or her execution of the Lease. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Lessee such agreements, indemnities, purchase orders, leases, bills of sale, certificates or other instruments or obligations as they or any one of them may deem necessary or appropriate to the accomplishment of the Lease, and the execution and delivery of any such agreement, instrument or obligation prior to the date hereof by any such officer is in all respects hereby confirmed, ratified and approved. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal to such instruments and to attest the same.

3. The proper officers of the Lessee are authorized and directed to do or cause to be done all such other acts and things, to make all payments, including rent payments, required pursuant to the Lease and related documents, and to execute all such documents, certificates and instruments as in his, her or their judgment may be necessary or advisable in order to carry out the foregoing Resolutions and the Lessee's obligations under the Lease, or any amended, renewed or supplemental lease; and all actions heretofore taken by the officers of the Lessee in connection

with the acquisition of the Equipment and negotiation of the Lease are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed in all respects.

4. The Lessee hereby designates the Lease to be a “qualified tax exempt obligation” under the provisions of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

5. The Lessee and the proper officers of the Lessee understand Section 15 of the Lease (“Insurance”) and hereby agree to provide property and liability damage in accordance with the terms of the Lease.

/s/Paul Murray
Paul Murray, Mayor

Attest: /s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk

3. Resolution 2013-10-07- A Resolution to purchase one (1) new Xtremevac Trailer Mounted Vacuum Debris Collector.

Councilmember Dial gave a reported that he, Councilmember Williams and James Elmore met with representatives of Sansom Equipment regarding the purchase of a leaf vacuum. He stated that the piece of equipment will make the collection of leaves more efficient and was budgeted. Councilmember Dial reported that once this resolution is approved, a purchase order will be issued. The delivery will be approximately 90 to 120 day. He stated that financing will be determined prior to delivery.

Councilmember Dial then made a motion to introduce Resolution 2013-10-07. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Visitors

Mayor Murray opened the floor for visitors.

1. Shana Ashcraft- Request opportunity to discuss de-annexation of her property at 505 Hartley Road.

Mrs. Ashcraft came before council and stated that even though her property is in the city limits, she is receiving all her services from the City of Saraland. She stated that she even has a Saraland address. However, there have been issues in the past with garbage and trash pickup because of the confusion of who should handle the services. She has even had issues with police calls for the same reason. She also stated that she is required to vote in Saraland not Satsuma. Mrs. Ashcraft continued by explaining that she now has an issue with renters who have children going to Saraland Schools and they want to rent the house but they need for their children to continue to attend Saraland Schools. Mayor Murray explained that the city could not make any decisions without looking into the matter further. Mrs. Ashcraft asked for a letter stating that this matter was under consideration. Jay Minus stated that the matter of de-

annexation is an issue for the city to consider, but the school matter needs to be addressed with the school board of each city. Mrs. Ashcraft stated that if the city would not allow her to annex into Saraland, then she wants her address and all the utilities changed over the Satsuma. Council stated that they would check with Judge Davis about the voting issue and that as for garbage, trash and police services, they would make sure she receives the services. As for the school matter, that would need to be discussed with the school board.

2. Red Pierce came before council stating that he has four (4) aluminum poles that he would like to the city to put up for flag poles. He stated that he would like them to be placed at Lions Park, Steele Creek Lodge and the north and south entrances. He stated that the poles are between 29' and 40'. He requested that the city accept the poles and take full responsibility for maintaining them once they are put up. Councilmember Williams made a motion to accept the four (4) poles. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

Adjournment

Mayor announced that there is a reception honoring Harriet Gibson in the City Hall Lobby. With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Dial made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Black seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Mayor Murray

Councilmember Hamblin

Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Dial

Councilmember Williams

Councilmember Black

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk