

PAUL MURRAY  
MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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CHIEF OF POLICE

CLYDE MILLER  
FIRE CHIEF



COUNCIL MEMBERS

WILLIAM HAMBLIN, PLACE I

MIKE BUTLER, PLACE 2

MATT DIAL, PLACE 3

THOMAS WILLIAMS, PLACE 4

BILL BLACK, PLACE 5

## MINUTES OF September 1, 2015

### 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 1st day of September, 2015. Those present were: Mayor Paul Murray and Councilmembers: William Hamblin, Matt Dial, Tom Williams and Bill Black. Absent: Councilmember Mike Butler

Yolanda Watkins, Regional Account Manager with RDS, presented Mayor and Council with a proposal for RDS to collect sales, sales use, rental and lodging taxes for the city. Ms. Watkins stated that RDS collects for five (5) cities in Mobile County and over 200 municipalities throughout the state. She stated that she has presented a cost analysis comparing RDS with the Alabama Department of Revenue. She stated that based on her calculations, RDS can save the city approximately \$7500.00. Ms. Watkins stated that RDS is willing to offer a special, if the city enters into an agreement, to provide three (3) months free which could make the saving over \$10,000. 00. Ms. Watkins stated that they charge a flat fee of \$2.68 per account. Mayor Murray thanked Ms. Watkins for her time and stated that council would discuss.

Mayor Murray discussed the agenda items.

Mayor Murray called for a five (5) minute executive session to discuss economic development. Council went into executive session at 6:55 and reconvened into the regular meeting 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 7:00 P.M. the 1st day of September, 2015.

Councilmember Williams gave the invocation which was followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were present: Mayor Paul Murray; Councilmembers: William Hamblin, Matt Dial, Tom Williams, and Bill Black.

Absent: Councilmember Mike Butler

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

A quorum was present and Mayor Murray opened the meeting.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Murray presented the minutes from the regular meeting held on August 18, 2015 and then made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Murray presented the minutes from the workshop session held on August 25, 2015 and then made the motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

### **Special Recognition: NONE**

### **Visitors- NONE**

### **MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL'S REPORT:**

**Mayor: No items to discuss or report**

**Parks: No items to discuss or report**

**Public Safety: No items to discuss or report**

### **Municipal Services:**

Councilmember Dial discussed needing funds to purchase Christmas decorations. He stated that he would like approval to spend up to \$6,000.00 He stated that the city received a donation from SCDO of \$1500.00 which would be a net expenditure to the city of \$4500.00. With no further discussion or questions, Councilmember Dial made a

motion to approve the expenditure of \$6000.00 for Christmas decorations. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Dial reported that Robert E. Lee School will be holding an Anti-Bullying walk September 18 at 9:00 A.M.

**Administration:**

Councilmember Williams stated that the Holiday and Meeting Schedules for FY2016 were distributed. He asked for everyone to review for passage at the next meeting.

Councilmember Williams stated that the Investiture Ceremony for Jill Phillips to District Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit will be held on Friday, September 11 at 10:30 A.M. in the Ceremonial Courtroom at Government Plaza.

**Public Works: No items to discuss or report**

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**1. Payment of the bills.**

Councilmember Williams made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$39,291.00 as presented. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

**2. Proposed agreement with the Satsuma Women's Club regarding the construction of the Union Chapel.**

Councilmember Williams reported that the Women's Club and Council have reviewed the agreement. He stated that after reviewing the Women's Club requested a few changes which have been made. With no further discussion on the matter, Councilmember Williams made a motion to approve the agreement with all the changes that were discussed in pre-council. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried

**3. Introduction of Proposed FY2016 Budget**

Councilmember Williams made a motion to introduce the FY2016 budget with the changes that were discussed in pre-council. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

**4. Amendment to the contract with Communications Technology for the purchase of three (3) additional phones for the Fire Department and Public Works Department in the amount of \$685.00.**

Councilmember Dial made a motion to amend the contract to add the additional phones. Councilmember Hamblin seconded the motion and it carried.

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCE, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Resolution 2015-09-01- A Resolution to apply for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and**

**Individuals with Disabilities Program funds through South Alabama Regional Planning Commission for computer hardware and software and vehicle shelter.**

Councilmember Williams reported that Tom Briand has estimated that the total costs for the items will be approximately \$26,000. The grant is an 80/20 grant which will be an estimated amount of \$5,200 costs to the city. Councilmember Williams then made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-09-01. Councilmember Dial seconded the motion and it carried.

**Adjournment**

Councilmember Hamblin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:15P.M.

/s/ Paul Murray  
Mayor Murray

/s/ William Hamblin  
Councilmember Hamblin

absent  
Councilmember Butler

/s/ Matt Dial  
Councilmember Dial

/s/ Tom Williams  
Councilmember Williams

/s/ Bill Black  
Councilmember Black

ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller  
City Clerk