

MINUTES

March 17, 2009
The Regular Meeting of the Satsuma City Council

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 17th day of March, 2009.

The invocation was given by Councilmember Williams.

Presentation of flags and Pledge of Allegiance led by .Satsuma ROTC.

On roll call, the following answered present:

Mayor	William F. Stewart, III
Council Members	Billy Jackson
	Pamela B. O’Gwynn
	Pratt Monk
	Tom Williams
	Bill Black

Vicki Miller, City Clerk; Jay Minus, City Attorney; Tom Briand, Building Inspector, James Elmore, Public Works Supervisor, and Lt. Jana Dukes, Police Department were present. A quorum was present and Mayor Stewart opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

A pre-council meeting was held prior to the regular meeting to discuss issues coming before Council.

Mayor Stewart presented the minutes of the regular meeting of March 3, 2009 for approval. Councilmember Monk made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Councilmember O’Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Stewart presented Key Kids from Robert E. Lee School certificates and city pins.

Council recessed at 7:06

Council reconvened at 7:15

VISITORS

1. Lisa Sanderson- not present
2. Mr. Campbell-Principal North Mobile County Middle School-request for Steele Creek Lodge and fee waived.

Mr. Campbell came before Council first as a parent and booster for the Satsuma Girls Softball team. He thanked the Council for their contribution to the girls' program. He stated that the girls at 16-4 and 5th in the State. Secondly, Mr. Campbell stated that as principal of the North Mobile County Middle School, he would like the Council to consider allowing the middle school use of Steele Creek Lodge for the first annual off campus spring dance and waiver of the fee.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to allow the use of Steele Creek on May 8, 2009 and waiver of the fee. Councilmember O'Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

3. Ms. Carla Baker- request extension of the rental time on Steele Creek
Ms. Baker was not present.
4. Ms. Leigh Davie- representing American Cancer Society

Ms., Davis came before Council and stated that in the past the City has been a Title sponsor for the North Mobile Relay for Life. She stated that Chickasaw, Saraland and Satsuma share the title sponsorship and each city host the relay for two years. She stated that this is the second year for Chickasaw and the event will move to Satsuma next year. She stated that the sponsorship cost \$1250.00 and the city has supported this event for several years.

After discussing the matter, Councilmember O'Gwynn made a motion to purchase the sponsorship for a cost of \$1250.00. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Representative from the Gator Band Boosters- request use of lodge of 4/30/09 and fee be waived.

Mayor Stewart stated that no one was present; however, the matter was discussed in pre-council.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to allow the band boosters to hold their event at Steele Creek on April 30, 2009 and the fee be waived. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES

Councilmember Jackson stated that the drug policy and background check for park coaches is completed by Jay Minus and are ready to be put in place.

With no further discussions on the matter, Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the drug policy. Councilmember O’Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Jackson stated that since the background check was not introduced previously he would like to suspend the rules for immediate adoption.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to suspend the rules and place the background check policy for park coaches up for immediate adoption. On roll call, the following answered:

Councilmember Jackson	yes
Councilmember O’Gwynn	yes
Councilmember Monk	yes
Councilmember Williams	yes
Councilmember Black	yes
Mayor Stewart	yes

Councilmember Jackson then made a motion to adopt the background check policy for park coaches. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Jackson informed that it is time to put the flowers and ferns in Baldwin Square and Steele Creek Lodge. He reported that he will be getting the plants from Triple T, a local nursery, for \$688.00.

Councilmember Jackson reported that he has gotten two bids to replace/repair lights at Wright Park. One contractor gave a price per balance and the other was from Port City Electrical for a quote of \$3400.00. He stated that because they are not sure how many balances are out, he is recommending accepting the proposal from Port City.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to accept the quote from Port City Electrical for \$3400.00 to repair the lights at Wright Park. On roll call the following answered:

Councilmember Jackson	yes
Councilmember O’Gwynn	yes

Councilmember Monk	abstained
Councilmember Williams	yes
Councilmember Black	yes
Mayor Stewart	yes

Mayor Stewart explained that Mr. Monk abstained because the contractor is a relative.

Mr. Jackson reported that there is some electrical work needed to connect power to the portable concession stand at Wright Park. He stated that Mr. Elmore has gotten one quote and requested that he get another.

Councilmember O’Gwynn request that a special called meeting be set to discuss the bond issue and vote on the matter. Councilmember Jackson made a motion to hold a special called meeting on Monday, March 26 at 5:30. Councilmember O’Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Monk stated that he received a request for discontinuance of garbage for 5651 6th Street. He explained that the homeowner has been moved to a nursing home. He then made a motion to discontinue the garbage at 5651 6th Street. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Monk expressed condolences on behalf of the mayor and council to the families of Nadine Allen, James Christian, J.E. Lowe and Rita Brown.

Councilmember Monk stated that the bulldozer, which is used at the trash ramp, is in need of repairs in the approximate amount of \$1100.00. He then made a motion to expend \$1100 for the repairs. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reported that he has received a resignation letter from Officer Lethal Thurman. He then made a motion to accept the resignation of Officer Lethal Thurman in good standing. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reported that this will put the police department short two officers and he requested that a certification list be called to fill those vacancies.

Councilmember William then made a motion to call for a certification list from the Personnel Board for two officers. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams stated that the parks committee has met and is recommending that the Council adopt the rules suggested by the SCDO for Baldwin Square. He then made a motion for Jay Minus to draw up a resolution adopting the rules. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reported that he has a request from Chief Benefield for two officers, Officer Foreister and Officer Mauldin to attend a training class at a cost of \$25.00. He then made a motion to allow for the expenditure. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Williams reported that there was an incident at the new LaQuinta Inn, which involved the theft of property. He asked Lt. Dukes to explain to everyone the events that occurred. Lt Dukes explained that there was a report of suspicious behavior at the new hotel .Upon an investigation, they found that several TVs and other items were stolen. All subjects were apprehended and charged.

Councilmember Williams reported that the fire department has gotten the brush truck, which was donated by the Forestry Commission. The truck is a 1988 1-ton Chevrolet and will need painting and some equipment installed. He stated that the employees of the public works department will be doing the paint job.

Councilmember Williams reported that the fire department has received information that the ISO representatives will be reevaluating our city for its ISO rating. He stated that this is important in order to keep our ISO rating or improve the rating, which will affect our citizens insurance.

Councilmember Black reported that two individuals that are currently classed as laborers have met the criteria for a promotion to PSWI.

He then made a motion to promote Darrell Vail to PSWI. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Black made a motion to promote Jeremy Mosley to permanent part-time PSWI. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Black reported that the work on the Barker Road Bridge will begin this week. There was a delay due to rain.

Councilmember Williams reported that he has a request to put a stop sign at Hannah Chase Way and Powers Road. He stated that after reviewing the location with the Police Chief, it was determined that there is a stop sign within 200' and it would not be prudent to put up another sign.

AGENDA

1. – Resolution 2009-03-02-Approval of contract with Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood for construction inspection on Phase II of the sidewalk project.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-03-02. Councilmember O’Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

CITY OF SATSUMA RESOLUTION NO: 2009-03-03

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA THAT THE CITY OF SATSUMA WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON March 3, 2009, as follows:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma is the recipient of a Alabama Department of Transportation Grant, Project Number TE08 (934), for a total amount of \$373,520.00 from the State of Alabama to construct a sidewalk on Juniper Avenue to Steele Creek Lodge and Park

SECTION 2. WHEREAS, the City has a need for certain preliminary engineering services for this project,

SECTION 3. WHEREAS, the City desires to enter in to contracts with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood, Inc to provide construction engineering services for a cost not to exceed \$27,283.00, as stipulated in the project budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that William F. Stewart, III in his capacity as Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood for an amount not to exceed \$27,283.00.

CERTIFICATION

I, William F. Stewart III, Mayor, City of Satsuma, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of the Resolution passed on 17th day of March, 2009.

William F. Stewart III
Mayor
City of Satsuma

ATTEST:_____
_CITY CLERK

2. – Resolution 2009-03-03- A Resolution approving a contract with Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood for preliminary engineering on sidewalks Phase III (along Juniper)

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to introduce Resolution 2009-03-03.
Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

**CITY OF SATSUMA
RESOLUTION NO: 2009-03-02**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA THAT THE CITY OF SATSUMA WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON March 3, 2009, as follows:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma is the recipient of a Alabama Department of Transportation Grant, Project Number TE07 (934), for a total amount of \$420, 029.50 from the State of Alabama to construct a sidewalk on Baker Road and Old 43; and

SECTION 2. WHEREAS, the City has a need for certain construction engineering services for this project,

SECTION 3. WHEREAS, the City desires to enter in to contracts with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood, Inc to provide construction engineering services for a cost not to exceed \$63,005.05, as stipulated in the project budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that William F. Stewart, III in his capacity as Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood for an amount not to exceed \$63,005.05.

CERTIFICATION

I, William F. Stewart III, Mayor, City of Satsuma, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of the Resolution passed on Mach 17, 2009.

**William F. Stewart III
Mayor
City of Satsuma**

**ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK**

3. – Resolution 2009-03-04- A Resolution approving a contract with Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood for preliminary engineering on sidewalks for Safe Route to School Program

Councilmember O’Gwynn made a motion to introduce Resolution 2009-03-04.

Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

CITY CLERK

**CITY OF SATSUMA
RESOLUTION NO:2009-03-04**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA THAT THE CITY OF SATSUMA WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON March 3, 2009, as follows:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma is the recipient of a Alabama Department of Transportation Grant Safe Routes to School Program, for a total amount of \$ 135,050.00 from the State of Alabama to construct a sidewalk on Baker Road between the schools and Interstate 65; and

SECTION 2. WHEREAS, the City has a need for certain preliminary engineering and construction inspection services for this project,

SECTION 3. WHEREAS, the City desires to enter in to contracts with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood, Inc to provide construction engineering services for a cost not to exceed \$23,400, as stipulated in the project budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that William F. Stewart, III in his capacity as Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Goodwyn Mills and Cawood for an amount not to exceed \$23,400.00.

CERTIFICATION

I, William F. Stewart III, Mayor, City of Satsuma, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of the Resolution passed on _____ 2009.

**William F. Stewart III
Mayor
City of Satsuma**

ATTEST:

4-Resolution 2009-03-05- Award bid on drainage project

Councilmember O’Gwynn made a motion to introduce Resolution 2009-03-05.
Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

**CITY OF SATSUMA
HMGP Project Number 1605-0195**

RESOLUTION NO: 2009-03-05

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA THAT THE CITY OF SATSUMA WHILE IN REGULAR SESSION ON March 17, 2009, as follows:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma is the recipient of a grant from the Alabama Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the amount of \$470,525.00 (\$352,893.75 federal and \$117,631.25 local share) to construct drainage improvements in the City limits; and

SECTION 2. WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma did advertise for bids for construction of a drainage improvements in the Mobile Register on February 7, 14, and 21, 2009. Bids were opened publicly on March 4, 2009 at Satsuma City Hall located at 5464 Old Highway 43 , Satsuma, Alabama; and

SECTION 3. WHEREAS, the City has complied fully with the procurement requirements as set forth on O.M.B Circular A-102 attachments and the common rule as adopted by the State of Alabama and did receive sixteen (16) bids for the construction of drainage improvements. Hayes Construction Inc. of Jay, Florida, did submit the lowest responsible Base Bid, Add Alternate #1 and Add Alternate #2 in the amount of 274,416.80.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council that William F. Stewart, in his capacity as Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Hayes Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$274,216.80.

Motion to approve this action was made by Council Person O’Gwynn and seconded by Council Person Jackson and approved by the Council on this the 17nd day of March 2009.

CERTIFICATION

I, William F. Stewart III, Mayor, City of Satsuma, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct copy of the Resolution passed on February 3, 2009.

**William F. Stewart III
Mayor
City of Satsuma**

**ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK**

5-Resolution 2009-03-06- Approve lease agreement with Satsuma High School on the athletic building

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to introduce Resolution 2009-03-06.
Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-03-06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF PROPERTY TO SATSUMA HIGH SCHOOL.

WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma desires to support Satsuma High School, located within the City of Satsuma and;

WHEREAS, Satsuma High School has a need, and will use, the property owned by the City of Satsuma located at 5464 B Old Highway;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council agree to lease the building to Satsuma High School, which will be used to support the school, the school sports programs, and the community at large.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The City agrees to lease the building located at 5464 B Old Highway 43 for a total sum of TEN and NO/100 (\$10.00) DOLLARS per year, which will renew automatically each year if the parties do not give a ten (10) day notice of cancellation, and per the other lease terms.**
- 2. This Resolution to become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.**

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 17th day of March, 2009.

Mayor William F. Stewart

ATTEST:

Vicki Miller, City Clerk

Councilmember O’Gwynn made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember O’Gwynn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Mayor William F. Stewart III

Councilmember Billy Jackson

Councilmember Pam O’Gwynn

Councilmember Pratt Monk

Councilmember Tom Williams

Councilmember Bill Black

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk