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RANDY LITTLE, PLACE 1

MIKE BUTLER, PLACE 2

JASON SKELTON, PLACE 3

ALLISON REESE, PLACE 4

BILL BLACK, PLACE 5

## **MINUTES OF March 12, 2019**

### **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 12th day of March, 2019. Those present were: Councilmembers: Randy Little, Mike Butler, Jason Skelton, Allison Reese and Bill Black.

Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that Mayor Williams is absent due to a death of his sister.

Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that Josh Harris with Ben Radcliff Construction was present to discuss some of the current issues which are going to come before the Council as change orders. He stated that there are some issues with the porches, the overhead doors in the fire bay steel framing and the Sally Port. Mr. Harris stated that the project was bid out by the bid drawings and afterwards it was discovered that some of the details relating to these items were not shown on the drawings. Mr. Harris stated that the items were graphically depicted however the information to price did not exist at the time the bids were submitted. He stated that they did price out what was shown on the drawings.

Councilmember Skelton asked why, as the contractor, they did not question the lack of details when they were bidding. Mr. Harris stated that during the bid process, the bidders are just going by what is placed on the drawings and are depending on the architects to give complete drawings. Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that it may be that the Council needs to meet with the engineers and contractor in another meeting to discuss this matter further.

Mayor Pro Tem Little discussed agenda items. Council convened into the Public Hearing at 6:45 P.M.

## **Public Hearing**

Mayor Pro Tem Little called the Public Hearing to order at 6:48 P.M. He explained that the public hearing was to hear public comments on the recommendation from the Planning Commission to amend Sections III and IV of the Zoning Ordinance. He stated that the changes relate to the table of permitted uses for Multi-Family projects. Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that after the notice was posted, the Planning Commission met and discussed the "SE" designation for Planned Unit Developments. He stated the Planning Commission has a few issues with the "SE" designation. With that issue, he is recommending that the Council consider the recommended changes to the other items that have been presented with the exception of the change "SE" designation to the Planned Unit Development line. This designation will remain as it is currently.

With no comments either verbally or written regarding this matter, Mayor Pro Tem Little closed the Public Hearing at 6:50 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 12th day of March, 2019.

### **Invocation**

Mayor Pro Tem Little gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

On roll call the following answered present: Mayor Pro Tem Little, Councilmembers: Mike Butler, Jason Skelton, Allison Reese, and Bill Black  
Absent: Mayor Williams, Junior Councilmembers Ashley Lankford and Ben Luker.

Also present were Danielle Mashburn-Myrick sitting in for City Attorney Jay Minus, Vicki Miller, City Clerk; Tom Briand, Building Inspector; James Elmore, Public Works Supervisor; Clyde Miller, Fire Chief; Clint Harrell, Police Chief and Jana Dukes, Police Captain. .

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Pro Tem Little presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on February 19, 2019. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

**Special Recognition:**

1. Swearing in of Kiara Jordan, Police Officer by Chief Clint Harrell.

Chief Harrell gave the Oath of Office to Officer Jordan.

**Visitors- NONE****Mayor's and Council's Reports:****Mayor's Report**

Mayor Pro Tem Little reported that the term for Elizabeth Nations, School Board Member, will be coming up on April 30, 2019. He stated that she has requested by letter to be reappointed. Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that the council could elect to go through the selection process or agree to the re-appointment of Ms. Nations. Council agreed to the reappointment and was informed that the matter would be handled by a resolution at the next meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Little reported that ALDOT has given the City a one year extension on the 7<sup>th</sup> Street sidewalk project until October, 2020.

Mayor Pro Tem Little discussed with Council the purchasing of supplies and food for the senior group that meets at the community center. He stated that a solution to the matter is to issue the group a Walmart gift card for them to take and purchase the items needed. He stated they usually spend between \$77 and \$100.00 a month. Council agreed to proceed with the gift card solution.

**Municipal Services-** Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that he did not have any matter to report or for discussion under municipal services.

**Public Safety- Councilmember Butler** stated that he did not have any matter to report or for discussion.

**Administration-Councilmember Skelton** expressed condolences on behalf of the Council to Mayor Williams in the death of his sister, to Francine Williams on the death of her son, Roderick Williams and the family of Chaz Kempter who died suddenly of a heart attack. The Kempters preformed several times at Steele Creek Lodge.

**Parks- Councilmember Reese** reported the following:

- The Mardi Gras ball was a huge success. She stated they made \$5,673.43 and the plans are to do again next year.
- March 12<sup>th</sup> at 9: a.m. Meeting on the Al Bicentennial May Day Festival. Festival to be held May 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Wright Park.

- March 19<sup>th</sup> 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Dr. Seuss Story Time Special
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Library Club Picnic on the Lawn
- May 9<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. Satsuma High School Senior Tea

Councilmember Reese reported that the request to place the flag pole on Highway 43 was rejected. She stated the location has to be within the city limits and ALDOT was concerned that the pole was not a break away pole and there could be a risk to traffic.

Councilmember Reese reported that the March Municipal Association Dinner will be on March 21<sup>st</sup> and will be sponsored by Dauphin Island.

**Public Works- Councilmember Black** stated that he did not have any matter to report or for discussion

### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

#### **1. Payment of the bills.**

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$216,963.67 which includes a payment of \$89,094.40 to Ben Radcliff Construction and \$45,890.48 to Greenhalgh Insurance for the final payment on the insurance. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

#### **2. Consideration to ratify the purchase of a 1999 Ford 250 for Public Works Department for \$4500.00.**

Councilmember Black made a motion to ratify the purchase. Mayor Pro Tem Little stated that he looked at the truck and agreed that it is a good purchase. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

#### **3. Consideration to ratify the contract with Heritage Electric to repair the lights at Wright and Lions Park for estimated costs of \$4,000.00**

Councilmember Reese stated that Mayor Williams approved the repairs since there was an urgent need and there were funds in the budget. She then made a motion to ratify the expenditure. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

#### **4. Consideration of accepting the resignation from Paige Bryan, Court Clerk.**

Councilmember Butler made a motion to accept the resignation from Paige Bryan in good standing. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

#### **5. Consideration to call for a Court Clerk list from Mobile County Personnel Board**

Councilmember Butler made a motion to call for the court clerk list. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

#### **7. Consideration to purchase 54 garbage carts for \$4,844.50.**

Councilmember Black made a motion to approve the purchase.  
Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

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

### **1. Consideration of Ordinance 482-2 An Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance 482 to amend Sections III and IV addressing multi-family developments.**

Councilmember Skelton noted that the ordinance was introduced at the last meeting. He then made a motion to adopt Ordinance 482-2 noting that there was a change from the ordinance introduced as discussed earlier in the public hearing. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion.

### **2. Consideration of Resolution 2019-03-01- A Resolution to enter into a financing agreement with BB&T for the financing for a 2018 Ford F-150 and a 2018 Ford Van for a total amount of \$49,620.00 for a three year term.**

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-03-01 noting that the interest rate is 3.8%. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

### **3. Introduction of Resolution 2019-03-02- A Resolution to surplus vehicles in the Public Work Department and equipment in the Fire Department**

Councilmember Black made a motion to introduce Resolution 2019-03-04. Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

### **4. Introduction of Resolution 2019-03-03- A Resolution to amend the FY2091 budget to reclassify interest and principal funds received from Satsuma Water Board as revenue.**

Councilmember Skelton stated that this change is based on the auditor's recommendation. He then made a motion to introduce Resolution 2019-03-03. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

### **5. Consideration of Resolution 2019-03-04- A Resolution opposing any action by the Alabama Legislature that would restrict or remove Municipal Police or Planning Jurisdictions.**

Councilmember Reese read the Resolution in full and then made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-03-04. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

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Mayor Tom Williams

/s/ Mike Butler  
Councilmember Mike Butler

/s/ Allison Cross  
Councilmember Allison Reese

/s/ Randy Little  
Councilmember Randy Little

/s/ Jason Skelton  
Councilmember Jason Skelton

/s/ Bill Black  
Councilmember Bill Black

ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller  
City Clerk