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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 August 6, 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 6th day of August , 2019. Those present were: Mayor Williams, Councilmembers: Randy Little, Mike Butler, Jason Skelton, Allison Reese, and Bill Black. .

Mayor Williams discussed agenda items.

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 6th day of August , 2019.

Invocation

Councilmember Skelton gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Mayor Williams thanked Ashley Lankford and Ben Luker for their service and wished them well in their future endeavors. He then proceeded to introduce the new Jr. Councilmembers Reagan Nolfe, Tyrek Cunningham, Emma Rawls and Ryleigh Rawson.

Also present were Jay Minus, City Attorney; Vicki Miller, City Clerk, Heather Davis, Assistant City Clerk, Tom Briand, Building Inspector; James Elmore, Public Works Supervisor; Clyde Miller, Fire Chief; and Clint Harrell, Police Chief.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Williams presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2019. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Williams presented the minutes from the Special Called Meeting held on July 22, 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 Valenda Lankford as a Satsuma School Board member by Judge Spiro Cheriogotis.

Mayor Williams requested a move of Resolution 2019-08-03 to be handled prior to the swearing in of Ms. Lankford. Councilmember Little made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-08-03- A Resolution appointing Valenda Lankford to the Satsuma City School Board. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-08-03

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING VALEND A LANKFORD TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE SATSUMA CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma, Alabama (the "City") created a Board of Education ("BOE") pursuant to Alabama Code § 16-22-2, et seq. (1975);

WHEREAS, the City has resolved to appoint five (5) residents of the City of Satsuma, who are not members of the City Council, and who were chosen upon their character and fitness, to serve as the initial members of the BOE; and

WHEREAS, one of the members, Elizabeth Nations was appointed in March of 2019; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Nations tendered her resignation effective July 9, 2019 and her resignation was accepted by the City Council on June 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted interviews in a scheduled work session on July 22, 2019 of other qualified applicants that had completed an application by the due date of July 11, 2019, and;

WHEREAS, the City Council now wishes to appoint Valenda Lankford to serve the remainder of the five (5) year term of Elizabeth Nations which will

continue until April 30, 2024.

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

- A. Valenda Lankford is appointed to fill the remainder of the term vacated by Elizabeth Nations which expires on April 30, 2024.
- B. Valenda Lankford is to serve for the specified term of office, or until her successor assumes office.

ADOPTED and APPROVED, this 6th_ day of August, 2019

/s/ Tom Williams
Tom Williams, Mayor
City of Satsuma, Alabama

ATTEST:
/s/ Vicki Miller
Vicki Miller, City Clerk

Mayor Williams introduced Judge Spiro Cheriogotis who then performed the swearing in of Ms. Lankford.

Ms. Linda Robbins, President of the School Board, thanked the Mayor and Council for the professional process, their time and effort in selecting board members.

Visitors- NONE

Mayor's and Council's Reports:

Mayor's Report

1. Update on the Sally Port and sidewalks at the Public Safety Building.

Mayor Williams stated that both items were discussed in length in pre-Council. He stated that there was cost reduction of the Sally Port from \$55,000 to \$49,000 and that the foundation should be poured in the next couple of weeks with the structural steel and roof to follow soon after. Mayor Williams reported that after inspection of the sidewalks, it was determined that some of the sections did not meet ADA standards. He stated that the contractor has agreed to re-pour those sections that are in the route of entry.

2. Report on Cedar Street /Maple Avenue Right of Way and Drainage Project.

Mayor Williams reported that James Elmore has engaged Mobile County to come and clear the right of way beginning this upcoming weekend. After the completion of the right of way cleaning, the County will then proceed to work on the Cedar Street drainage ditch. Mayor Williams stated that the only cost to the city will be for the operators.

3. Distribution of the June financials.

Mayor Williams distributed the June financials.

Municipal Services- Councilmember Little reported that Cedric Dennis whose resignation was accepted at the last meeting has reconsidered his decision and decided to remain with the City.

Public Safety- Councilmember Butler reported that the fire department received a check from the Mobile County Volunteer Association in the amount of \$15,782.61.

Administration-Councilmember Skelton extended condolences on behalf of the Mayor and Council to the families of Sina Harrell, Rosalie Howley, Gerald Gatlin and Jim Meriwether. Councilmember Skelton stated that Ms. Harrell was the oldest resident of the City. Mayor Williams stated that Mr. Meriwether was one of the original members of the Civitan Club of Satsuma.

Parks- Councilmember Reese reported the following:

- 1) The monthly Municipal Dinner will be held in Citronelle on August 15th.
- 2) Tom Briand is working on getting a price for installing a grinder pump at Wright Park to help with the plumbing issue. Also Mr. Briand is getting a quote to change the lighting at all the ballfields at Lions Park to LED.
- 3) Fall Ball sign up will begin August 17, 2019
- 4) CMO leadership class will be October 3rd in Prattville

Councilmember Reese reported that she has gotten information to change out the flag poles at the North and South end of the City. Each end will get a new 30' pole with 2 smaller poles on each side. Each entrance will have an American Flag, Alabama State Flag and a Satsuma City Flag. She stated there is some concern with the power poles on the North End being too close to the power lines. Mr. Briand will meet with Alabama Power to see if there is a problem with the taller flag pole. The cost of this project will be discussed for the FY2020 budget.

Public Works- Councilmember Black reported that there is another tree issue at the end of Painter. The tree is very large and is splitting. He stated that Mr. Elmore will be getting quotes for the next meeting.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Payment of the bills.

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$265,371.09 which includes a \$244,106.00 payment to Ben Radcliff. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

2. Consideration of two quotes received to remove two dead trees in the 5th Street right of way.

Councilmember Reese opened two quotes and read as follows:

Reed Tree Service	\$925.00
Hammco Tree Service	\$987.00

She then made a motion to accept the lowest responsible quote of \$925.00 from Reed Tree Service. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

3. Consideration of request for discontinuance of garbage for property at 55 Brice Avenue. Home is vacant.

Councilmember Little made a motion to approve the request.

Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and it carried.

4. Consideration of training request from Heather Davis to attend the Alabama Municipal Court Clerks Conference – September 18, 19, & 20 at a cost of approximately \$1000.00.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the training request.

Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Consideration of approving a contract with AGJ for the firewall, switches, and wireless services for the new Public Safety Building.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the contract for \$5757.00. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

6. Consideration of request for exemption from payment from the Women's' Club of Satsuma for Steele Creek Lodge for November 10, 2019 (Sunday) for a fund raiser for Union Chapel.

Councilmember Reese made a motion to approve the request noting that the \$100 clean up fee will apply. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

7. Consideration to set a work session to discuss FY2020 budget.

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to set the work session for August 12th at 5:30 P.M. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

8. Consideration to approve the contract with FireMech, Inc. for maintenance on the fire trucks at a cost of \$738.00 per semi-annual service.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the contract.

Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

10. Consideration to purchase a new 2019 Ford Interceptor Sedan off the State Bid List for \$22,740.00 from Stivers Ford.

Councilmember Butler made a motion to approve the purchase.

Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCE, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution 2019-08-01 A Resolution to appoint Derrick Ross to the Satsuma Water and Sewer Board

Councilmember Butler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-08-01.

Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-08-01

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DERRICK ROSS TO THE WATERWORKS AND SEWER BOARD OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA

WHEREAS, The Waterworks and Sewer Board of the City of Satsuma ("Board") was created under the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 50 of Title 11 of the CODE OF ALABAMA 1975;

WHEREAS, the Municipal Governing Body ("City Council") is the appointing authority for the members of this Board;

WHEREAS, one of those members, Jeff Hardegree, was appointed for a six (6) year term to expire June 2020, however he tendered his resignation on May 4th, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now wishes to appoint Derrick Ross to serve the remaining term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, as follows:

1. Derrick Ross is appointed to the BOARD to serve until June 2020.
2. He is to serve for the specified term of office or until a successor is appointed to the position.

ADOPTED and APPROVED, this 6th day of August 2019.

/s/ Tom Williams
Tom Williams, Mayor
City of Satsuma, Alabama

ATTEST:

/s/ Vicki Miller
Vicki Miller, City Clerk

2. Consideration of Resolution 2019-08-02- A Resolution to purchase a new Pierce Fire Truck

Councilmember Skelton explained that the city was presented an opportunity to apply for a USDA long term loan at a low interest rate. After many discussions on the matter, it was the consensus to purchase a new Pierce Truck for \$441,000; however the price quoted did not include ear protections. Therefore the resolution states that the cost of the truck will not exceed \$450,000 which will include ear protection. Mayor Williams explained that the loan will be paid from the \$1 month contributions and he hopes that more citizens will increase their monthly contributions so that the truck can be paid off sooner. With no further comments, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-08-03, Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTION 2019-08-02**A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK FOR USE IN THE SATSUMA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma has determined a need to purchase a new fire truck for the Satsuma Fire Rescue Department; and

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the needed specifications and bids and has elected to purchase the Pierce Manufacturing Pumper Apparatus Fire Truck from Emergency Equipment Professional, Inc. offered under the HGAC competitive contract; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Truck cost is \$441,988.00 as per the current specifications required by the Satsuma Fire Department, and

WHEREAS, at the council meeting of June 27, 2019, Councilmember Randy Little made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-06-03 agreeing to finance the fire truck through United Bank for 25 years at a rate not to exceed 4.25%. Said motion was seconded by Councilmember Reese and passed unanimously.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that:

1. The City approves the purchase of a new Pierce Manufacturing Pumper Firetruck for a total sum 441,988.00 and further approves additional add-on options selected by the Satsuma Fire Department so that the total cost of the truck with all additional add-ons will not exceed a total purchase price of \$450,000.00 from the \$1 month fund.
2. The City agrees to finance the fire truck for a term of 25 years at a financing rate not to exceed to 4.25% per annum.
3. The City authorizes the Mayor to execute the appropriate documents to secure a short term warrant/note from United Bank for the vehicle.
4. This Resolution to become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

ADOPTED on this 6th day of August, 2019.

/s/ Tom Williams
Tom Williams, Mayor

/s/ Vicki Miller
Vicki Miller, City Clerk

Before adjourning, Councilmember Reese asked Mayor Williams to give an update on why the public hearing scheduled for tonight was cancelled. Mayor Williams stated that the Planning Commission made a recommendation to the council to rezone 21 acres at the end of Pine and Marlow Road from R1 (low density residential) to R3 (high density residential) The Council voted to set the public hearing for tonight. However, the applicant, Sawgrass Engineering, requested a delay in the public hearing to do more work on the drainage. Once they have reviewed the drainage and are comfortable that the City's drainage system can handle the drainage, then they will notify they City and another public hearing will be set.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilmember Little made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

/s/ Tom Williams
Mayor Tom Williams

/s/ Randy Little
Councilmember Randy Little

/s/ Mike Butler
Councilmember Mike Butler

/s/ Jason Skelton
Councilmember Jason Skelton

/s/ Allison Reese
Councilmember Allison Reese

/s. Bill Black
Councilmember Bill Black

ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk