

TOM WILLIAMS
MAYOR

VICKI MILLER
CITY CLERK

CLINT E. HARRELL
CHIEF OF POLICE

CLYDE MILLER
FIRE CHIEF



COUNCIL MEMBERS

RANDY LITTLE, PLACE 1

MIKE BUTLER, PLACE 2

JASON SKELTON, PLACE 3

ALLISON REESE, PLACE 4

BILL BLACK, PLACE 5

Minutes of May 5, 2020

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 5th day of May, 2020. Those present were: Mayor Williams, Councilmembers: Randy Little, Mike Butler, Jason Skelton, Allison Reese, and Bill Black

Due to COVID-19 and the directive from Governor Ivey, the Council met in the Council chambers with a safe distance of 6'.

Mayor Williams discussed the 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 5th day of May, 2020.

Invocation

Councilmember Black 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, and Bill Black

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

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Williams presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on April 21, 2020. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and it carried.

Special Recognition: None

Visitors- NONE

Mayor's and Council's Reports:

Mayor's Report

Mayor Williams announced that the Alabama League has rescheduled the league's convention to July 23rd. This will only be a one day event. There will not be a registration fee but you will have to register to attend

Mayor Williams gave an update on the drainage issue with Copeland Builders-Construction in Gilbert Creek Estates. He stated that a letter was sent by(email) from Jay Minus to Mr. Copeland. The only response from Mr. Copeland was that he was not the owner of the property and that when the subdivision was developed the plans show that the water drains to the back of the property to the City right of way. Mayor Williams also stated that Mr. Copeland dug a ditch, without permission from the City, across the right of way to see if the water would drain. After the last rain event, it was evident that this would not work. Mayor Williams reported that Robbie Strom with Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood came out and looked at the property so that he would be familiar with the issue. In the letter, Mr. Copeland was told that he needed to get a civil engineer to come out and design a way to drain the water off the property and present to the City before a Certificate of Occupancy could be issued. Mr. Copeland will also be told that a Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued until the right of way is fixed.

Mayor Williams stated that Tiphani Clearman reported that the City is doing a great job in completing the 2020 Census. He stated that at the time of her email, the city was at 72.9 % which is leading Mobile County. He thanked Tiphani and her 2020 Census committee for all their hard work.

Mayor Williams discussed an issue with the garbage service at 409 Powers Road, the Johnson property. He stated that the water meter was locked in August of 2019 for nonpayment. Since the garbage fee is placed on the water bill there has not been any payments for garbage service since then. The City has continued picking up the garbage with no payment from the resident. Mayor Williams stated that he would like Jay Minus to send a letter stating that the cart

will be picked up for non-payment for the service. The garbage service will be reinstated once the account has been brought current.

Municipal Services- Councilmember Little stated that the RR crossing arms at Bayou look great. He reported that the trash and debris pickup is continuing. He stated that residents are not abiding by the 2-yard limit and that is causing some delays. He would like to put something out on social media that reminds the residents that the trash truck will only pick up two yards at one time and if more is put out then it will have to remain there until the next time the truck is in that area. Councilmember Little reported that the new garbage truck has been delayed due to the COVID-19. He stated that the city has paid the last payment on the 2017 Autocar Garbage Truck. Due to the timing of receiving the new truck it was a good decision to keep this truck instead of trading it in as has been done in the past.

Public Safety- Councilmember Butler reported that due to COVID-19 inspection of the new fire truck will have to be done by video. He stated that the inspection should be scheduled for next week.

Administration-Councilmember Skelton reported that the RR crossing arms are completed and working. He stated that the staff in City Hall are back to everyone working normal shifts. Councilmember Skelton mentioned that at the beginning of the process for the financing of the fire truck it was agreed that if the rates were lower, then the City would get the lower rate. He asked that the matter be checked into. Councilmember Skelton reiterated the fact that there will be a 3rd party virtual inspection of the fire truck.

Parks- Councilmember Reese reported the following:

- Library plans to tentatively open in stages. Tiphani Clearman is still working on the abbreviated hours and how to provide curbside checkout of books. The library's tentative hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, once the plans have been confirmed by the Alabama Public Library Service
- The City is waiting on the directive from Governor Ivey as to the reopening of the parks. Councilmember Reese stated that once the parks are opened, the City needs to put up signs with CDC recommendations. She stated that the Splash Pad cannot open at this time.

Public Works- Councilmember Black reported that Public Works is running smoothly.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Payment of the bills.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting "aye", Council unanimously approved paying the bills in the amount of \$36,626.36.

2. Consideration of the contract with Safe Span for inspection of the bridge at Baker Road over Hartley Branch.

Councilmember Black reported that this has been done by Safe Span for many years and Mr. Elmore recommends continuing. He then made a motion to approve the contract with Safe Span for the inspection of the Hartley Branch bridge for \$2100.00. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried

3. Consideration of purchasing a new slide for Wright Park for a price not to exceed \$12,000.

Mayor Williams stated that the funds will come from Capital and the plan will need to be amended to reflect this purchase. Councilmember Reese stated that she would reach out to Matt Simpson, our local state representative, to see if she could get some assistance with the purchase. With no further comments or questions, Councilmember Reese made a motion to approve purchasing a new 12' slide for Wright Park for an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCE, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Ordinance 530 An ordinance adopting the flood damage prevention as required by FEMA.

Councilmember Little commented that the ordinance was introduced at the last meeting. On motion by Councilmember Little and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all present voting "aye, Council unanimously approved the adoption of Ordinance 530.

FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE 530

The City of Satsuma
Repealing Ordinance No. 490

ARTICLE 1

Statutory Authorization, Findings of Fact, Purpose And Objectives

SECTION A **STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION**

The Legislature of the State of Alabama has in Title 11, Chapter 19, Sections 1-24, Chapter 45, Sections 1-11, Chapter 52, Sections 1-84, and Title 41, Chapter 9, Section 166 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, authorized local government units to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry. Therefore, the City of Satsuma, Alabama, does ordain as follows:

SECTION B **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- (1) The flood hazard areas of the City of Satsuma, Alabama are subject to periodic inundation which results in loss of life and property, health and safety hazards, disruption of commerce and governmental services, extraordinary public expenditures for flood relief and protection, and impairment of the tax base, all of which adversely affect the public health, safety and general welfare.
- (2) These flood losses are caused by the occupancy in flood hazard areas of uses vulnerable to floods, which are inadequately elevated, flood proofed, or otherwise unprotected from flood damages, and by the cumulative effect of obstructions in floodplains causing increases in flood heights and velocities.

SECTION C **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in specific areas by provisions designed to:

- (1) require that uses vulnerable to floods, including facilities which serve such uses, be protected against flood damage at the time of initial construction;
- (2) restrict or prohibit uses which are dangerous to health, safety and property due to water or erosion hazards, or which increase flood heights, velocities, or erosion;
- (3) control filling, grading, dredging and other development which may increase flood damage or erosion;
- (4) prevent or regulate the construction of flood barriers which will unnaturally divert flood waters or which may increase flood hazards to other lands; and
- (5) control the alteration of natural floodplains, stream channels, and natural protective barriers which are involved in the accommodation of flood waters.

SECTION D **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this ordinance are:

- (1) to protect human life and health;
- (2) to minimize damage to public facilities and utilities such as water and gas mains, electric, telephone and sewer lines, streets and bridges located in floodplains;
- (3) to help maintain a stable tax base by providing for the sound use and development of flood prone areas in such a manner as to minimize flood blight areas,

THIS ORDINANCE CAN BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY AT WWW.CITYOFSATSUMA.COM OR IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE AT CITY HALL.

2. Consideration of Ordinance 531- An ordinance to adopt the Mobile County 2020 Transportation Pay As You Go Road Program.

Councilmember Black noted that the Council was given a list of streets to submit to Mobile County for the 2020 Pay-As-You- Go plan. On motion by Councilmember Black and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all present voting "aye, Council unanimously approved the adoption of Ordinance 531.

Ordinance 531

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City of Satsuma, in Mobile County, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Satsuma has received a letter dated April 14, 2020 from Mobile County regarding the 2020 Transportation Pay-As-You-Go Road Program. Said letter requested that the City submit a list, in order of priority, of streets that the City would like to be included in the program; and

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Satsuma voted at the May 5, 2020 Regular Council Meeting to approve a list of streets for consideration in the program. The list was subsequently submitted to Commissioner Ludgood as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Council unanimously approved submitting the list of streets as presented in the attached Exhibit A to be considered in the 2020 Pay-As-You-Go Road Program and certify that the roads listed in the attached Exhibit A for inclusion within the 2020 transportation Pay-As-You-Go Program are maintained by the City of Satsuma, as of the date of this ordinance. The City requests that the streets identified in Exhibit A be paved in the order listed.

I, the undersigned City Clerk, of the City of Satsuma, Satsuma, Mobile County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a ordinance lawfully passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Satsuma, at a regular meeting of such Council held on the 5th day of May, 2020 and that such Ordinance is of record in the Minute Book of the City of Satsuma.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Satsuma on the 5th day of May, 2020

/S/ Tom Williams
Mayor

/s/ Vicki Miller

Exhibit "A" of Ordinance 531
2020 PAY AS YOU GO PROGRAM PRIORITY LIST

PAVING OF UNPAVED ROAD:

- 1. South I-65 Service Road -beginning at the end of the paved area and continuing approximately 2155' to provide for potential economic growth in the area.
- 2. Cedar Street-approximately 425' *(to provide for potential residential homes)

RESURFACING:

- 1.. Avondale Avenue – from Hartley Road to Joginell Dr. East-approx. 1517'
- 2. Joginell Drive East- from Avondale Avenue to Audubon Dr. South – approx. 1482'
- 3. Plateau Avenue West- from Highway 43 to end at railroad ROW- Approx. 2130'
- 4. 7th Street- from Baker Road to Bayou Avenue- approx. 2051'
- 5. Bayou Avenue West- from Highway 43 to 5th Street- 450'
- 6. Dogwood Avenue- from Highway 43 to end of pavement- Approx. 1480'
- 7. Willie Crook Avenue- from Old Hwy. 43 to Third Street- approx. 1822'
- 8. Bradford Avenue- from Old Hwy. 43 to end- approx. 978'
- 9. Old Highway 43- from Bayou Avenue East to Magnolia Venue approx. 1910'
- 10. Maple Ave East- from 3rd Street to Park Street- approx. 1975'

/s/ Vicki Miller
City Clerk

Before closing the meeting, Mayor Williams was asked by Jack Presnall to give the plans for Memorial Day. Mayor Williams noted that even with the COVID-19 restrictions, he thinks the veterans should be honored. He stated that there will be an informal remembrance ceremony. There will not be a speaker; just the announcements of the names, a laying of the wreath and Taps will be played.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilmember Butler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 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