MARK BARLOW MAYOR

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COUNCIL MEMBERS:

RANDY LITTLE, PLACE 1

MIKE BUTLER, PLACE 2

JASON SKELTON, PLACE 3

ALLISON REESE, PLACE 4

EMANUEL L "BUBBA" PHILLIPS, PLACE 5

# MINUTES OF December 15, 2020

# **Regular Meeting**

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in regular public session at City Hall in said city at 6:00 p.m. the 15th day of December, 2020.

### Invocation

Councilmember Randy Little, led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Barlow welcomed everyone and reminded everyone in attendance to maintain social distancing.

On roll call the following answered present:

Mayor Mark Barlow Council Members Randy Little

> Mike Butler Jason Skelton Emanuel Phillips

Heather Davis, City Clerk, Jay Minus, City Attorney; Crystal Johnson, Public Works Crew Chief; Chief Clint Harrell, Police Department; and Chief Kenneth Waites, Fire Department.

On roll call the following were absent:

Council Member Allison Reese

A quorum was present and Mayor Barlow opened the meeting for the transaction of business.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held December 1, 2020. Councilmember Jason Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Recognitions**

Ofc. Robert Moore presented Ofc. Gerald Roberts his SWAT pin after completing SWAT school November 16, 2020.

## **Visitors**

Gavin Reeves came before the council to close out his Eagle Scout project. He stated that it took him a total of 61 hours to complete his project of repainting the caboose. He expressed his appreciation to the Council and to Paul Henderson of Explosive Signs. Mayor Barlow stated that he was extremely proud of the work completed

Justine Bixter with United Way came before the council to express their commitment and desire to help citizens in Satsuma. She stated that they wanted to bring awareness to dialing 211 and their services provided.

Matt Dial with Satsuma Board of Education came before the council to discuss the pole at Wright Park that was damaged during Hurricane Sally. After discussion with Council Mayor Barlow stated that Mr. Dial could get some estimates on the damages and the City would contact their insurance carrier about the damage.

#### **Mayor's and Council's Reports:**

### Mayor's Report

Mayor Barlow stated that he was still waiting on an update from Jason Herring, with The Computer Doctor, about the cameras and equipment for the live meetings.

Mayor Barlow reported that The City of Saraland agreed to allow some of their inspectors to help with inspections until a Building Inspector was hired.

Mayor Barlow stated that he would get in touch with Jackie Davis about taking pictures of the new council.

Mayor Barlow reported that a calendar was being worked on by Heather Davis and Trish Morra, that would be posted in a few locations and online. He stated this calendar would list meetings and other things throughout the City of Satsuma.

Mayor Barlow stated that he is still waiting on quotes to repair some doors and paint City Hall.

Mayor Barlow requested that Jay Minus get with the Satsuma City Schools attorney and discuss the light pole at the ballpark.

Mayor Barlow stated that there was a homicide in the city. He wanted to thank the Police Department for all of their hard work around the clock on this case and expressed his condolences to the family of the victim.

Mayor Barlow wished everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday and an even better New Year.

#### **Public Services – Councilmember Little**

Councilmember Little reported that Hurricane Zeta was declared but most debris had been picked up by city employees. He stated that hiring a contractor for 2 or 3 days to pick up the big debris may be needed.

Councilmember Little reported that GreenCo would be doing a clean burn on December 16, 2020.

# **Public Safety – Councilmember Butler**

Councilmember Butler stated that the Police Department has been working tirelessly on the homicide case.

Councilmember Butler stated that repairs to the Engine 4 were approximately \$3000.00.

Councilmember Butler wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year.

#### **Administration – Councilmember Skelton**

Councilmember Skelton reported that the solar panel that was destroyed by a citizen in a wreck has been paid for in the amount of \$1465.00.

#### Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese was absent.

#### **Public Works – Councilmember Phillips**

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Councilmember Phillips stated that repairs were needed on the Backhoe and would like the council to give Mayor Barlow the authority to enter in agreement for the repairs.

# **Items for Consideration**

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- 1. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$43,461.62.
- On motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.
- **2.** Consideration of estimate from Beard Equipment to repair the back hoe. Tabled until further options are considered.
- 3. Consideration of 3 appointments to the Satsuma Board of Adjustments. On motion by Councilmember Phillips to appoint palmer Gatlin to the Board of Adjustments and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

On motion by Councilmember Little to appoint Clarence Crawford to the Board of Adjustments and seconded by Councilmember Butler with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

On motion by Councilmember Little to appoint Chuck Harbin to the Board of Adjustments and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion caried.

4. Consideration of re-appointing Jana Dukes to the Satsuma Planning Commission.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

5. Consideration of payment to GreenCo Services for 3 invoices in the amount of \$71,894.36.

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little with al voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

6. Consideration of calling for a list from the Personnel Board for Building Inspector I.

On motion made by Councilmember Butler and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried

7. Consideration of purchasing the New Year's ad from the Call news for \$129.50.

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting "aye", Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

# Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business

Mayor Barlow moved to go into executive session to discuss pending lawsuit. Councilmember Skelton made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Little all voting "aye" Council went into executive session and would reconvene in 5 minutes. Upon returning at 7:51 stated that the matter had been discussed and resolved.

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Little seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

<u>/s/ Mark Barlow_</u>	<u>/s/ Randy Little</u>
Mark Barlow, Mayor	Councilmember Randy Little
/s/ Mike Butler	/s/ Jason Skelton
Councilmember Mike Butler	Councilmember Jason Skelton
Absent	/s/ E.L. Phillips
Councilmember Allison Reese	Councilmember E.L. "Bubba" Phillips
ATTEST:/s/ Heather Davis	
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Heather Davis City Clerk	