

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

HEATHER DAVIS
CITY CLERK

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CHIEF OF POLICE

KENNETH WAITES
FIRE CHIEF



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 1, 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 1st day of December, 2020.

Invocation

Councilmember Allison Reese, 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
	Allison Reese
	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

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 November 17, 2020. Councilmember Jason Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Visitors

Jason Jones from 5216 Old Hwy 43 Satsuma, Al. 36572 came before the board to discuss a previous debris claim that was denied by the City of Satsuma in the amount of \$1800. He is requesting the claim be reconsidered. After lengthy discussion, Mayor Barlow stated that the board would look further into the matter and get back with Mr. Jones.

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

Mayor Barlow stated the Christmas Parade planned for December 5, 2020 had been canceled due to the health and safety of the public due to Covid-19.

Mayor Barlow reported that the annual Employee Safety Dinner had been changed to a employee safety lunch. This will be held at City Hall on December 11, 2020. starting at 11:00A.M.

Mayor Barlow stated that he would like to see quarterly safety meetings be held within the City and asked that Chief Clint Harrell and Chief Kenneth Waites work together on this project.

Mayor Barlow stated he requested Jason Herring, The Computer Doctor, to give an update on the quotes for equipment for live meetings and security cameras for city property.

Mayor Barlow stated that he asked David Primm to come by City Hall and give some quotes on painting some offices and repairing or replacing some doors.

Mayor Barlow stated Tree King had backed out of the contract that was proposed with the City for debris pick up, due to personnel issues within his company.

Mayor Barlow stated that the Westside of I-65 water sewer project was still in progress.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little reported that over the past two weeks that 63 loads of debris had been picked up which amounts to almost 2K cubic yards. This has saved the city approximately \$5,000.00 in dumping fees.

Councilmember Little stated that Hurricane Zeta has still not been declared but the City employees are still working to clear up the City of the debris from

Councilmember Little stated that he would like to thank Mayor Barlow and the rest of the council for allowing the debris to be taken to the treatment plant site and burned there.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler stated that the fire department made 51 calls or the month of November and 8 mutual aid calls.

Councilmember Butler stated that the breakfast with Santa was to be held December 12, 2020 at the Community Center as a fundraiser for underprivileged children within Satsuma City School System has been canceled due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton reported that the response to the weather radio fundraiser for nonmobile residents has been great. That currently 10 radios had been dropped off at City Hall.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese reported the following:

- Reindeer Run scheduled for December 12th.
- The RADA Cutlery orders are due by December 5th for delivery by Christmas.
- Please support the Satsuma Public Library by selecting them on Amazon Smile when purchasing from Amazon.
- The City-Wide Employee Christmas Luncheon will be Dec. 3 at 11:00 am; boxed lunches will be served from the library.
- A Reindeer Craft is available for children that check out a library book.
- A proposed Cookies and Cocoa event at Candy Cane lane will not happen due to COVID concerns; hopefully this event can happen next year.
- The GAP analysis from Retail Strategies was presented to the Council and suggested that we follow up with a conference call to obtain additional information and possible assistance in retail planning in Satsuma.
- The proposed design from the playground company for the Steele Creek playground renovation was introduced.
- The ALM Advocacy Day is scheduled for February 9th in Montgomery.
- Candy Cane Lane is in full swing! Stop by now through New Year's Day.
- The roof at Steele Creek needs an immediate repair.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips wanted to express how nice Baldwin Square looks and to thank Ted Landrum for providing the lights to the City of Satsuma as a donation.

Councilmember Phillips stated that tickets for Breakfast with the Grinch scheduled for December 19, 2020 had gone on sale and would still be happening.

Items for Consideration

1. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$22,377.64.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Phillips with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

2. Consideration of paying the GMC invoice for debris monitoring in the amount of \$40,329.23.

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

3. Consideration of 3 appointments to the Satsuma Board of Adjustments.

Tabled until next meeting

4. Consideration of re-appointing Derrick Ross to the Satsuma Water and Sewer Board.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Phillips with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

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

Tabled until next meeting.

6. Consideration of accepting the resignation from Jordan Flynt as a Firefighter Supernumerary with good standing.

On motion made by Councilmember Butler and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried

7. Consideration of bids for tree removal at 700 Margiana Drive.

On motion made by Councilmember Phillips to accept the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$2150 from Reeds Tree Service and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

8. Consideration of purchasing an ad with the Call News for their Christmas section.

On motion made by Councilmember Reese to purchase a ¼ page ad in the amount of \$259.00 and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

9. Consideration of adopting Addendum #1 with GMC for debris monitoring.

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by councilmember Little with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

10. Consideration to make emergency repairs to Steele Creek Lodge Roof.

On motion made by Councilmember Reese to make emergency repairs to Steele Creek Lodge not to exceed\$5000 and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business
(none)

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Reese seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

/s/ Mark Barlow
Mark Barlow, Mayor

/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/ E.L. Phillips
Councilmember E.L. “Bubba” Phillips

ATTEST: /s/ Heather Davis
Heather Davis, City Clerk