

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

HEATHER DAVIS
CITY CLERK

CLINT E. HARRELL
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 March 2, 2021

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 2nd day of March 2021.

Invocation

Councilmember Randy Little led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Barlow welcomed everyone and reminded everyone in attendance to maintain social distancing and to turn all cell phones in the off position.

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; Chief Clint Harrell; and Chief Kenneth Waites.

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

Public Hearing

Public Hearing was opened at 6:50 pm for the purpose of vacating the roadway or portion thereof of property owned by Vann & Tabitha Honeycutt. With no discuss the hearing was closed at 6:53 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on February 16, 2021. Councilmember Jason Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions

None

Visitors

No visitors

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

Mayor Barlow reported that he along with James Elmore, Heather Davis and Crystal Johnson met with Jason Shaw with Alabama DOT and discussed the roadway at the Pilot Travel Center.

Mayor Barlow reported that James Elmore and Crystal Johnson were getting estimates to mill out and repair potholes throughout the city.

Mayor Barlow reported that interviews were held for Building Inspector I position but with some issues that arose, a new list may be needed.

Mayor Barlow reported he had signed an agreement with GMC not to exceed \$30K. for PFA.

Mayor Barlow stated he had requested Crystal Johnson to get an estimate for a speed monitor device sign.

Mayor Barlow reported that Mr. Charlie Williams had resigned his position with the Planning Commission.

Mayor Barlow reported that Cara Stallman had resigned effective immediately as the grant writer for the City of Satsuma.

Mayor Barlow stated there were 740 meals delivered with Meals on Wheels in February and he is hopeful to have more Senior Services opening up by the middle of the year.

Mayor Barlow stated that the road grader from the county had been in the city recently and helped with some streets.

Mayor Barlow reported that the Annual City Audit was presented at pre-council from Corey Nelson with Byers & Byers.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little reported a few states had opened up their senior services from the covid restrictions and is hopeful that Satsuma will be opening again soon.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler had nothing to report.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton reported that a letter of appreciation had been sent in from a court defendant thanking Heather Davis for her extraordinary help in resolving a case.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese reported the March Municipal Dinner is scheduled for 7 pm on March 18, 2021, at Dauphin Island with guest speaker Robert Dixon with the Sea Lab.

Councilmember Reese stated that Swamp Fest will be held on March 6, 2021, at the Satsuma High School parking lot.

Councilmember Reese stated she would like the council to look over a park use agreement form to be used by persons other than Satsuma Youth Association.

Councilmember Reese stated that she would like to have some signage made for field use to be made through reservations at City Hall.

Councilmember Reese reported that she would like to consider hiring additional help for the splash pad as done in years past and would like to discuss the reopening of the splash pad for this season.

Councilmember Reese reported that the Library Club will be hosting a Nutritionist, Erin Akey, on March 9, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the library.

Councilmember Reese stated that she would like to get quotes on resurfacing the tennis courts. This was included in the budget for 2021 Capital Projects.

Councilmember Reese stated that a new slide had been assembled and installed with infant swings and that dirt mounts had been moved at Babe Ruth Field.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips-reported Public Works had a list of about 8 locations around the city that needed to be paved.

Councilmember Phillips stated that he would like to get a Pay as you Go list.

Councilmember Phillips stated that the council may want to have James Elmore go around with the bridge inspections.

Items for Consideration

1. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$46011.81

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

2. Consideration to purchase a side by side for Public Works.

Tabled until the next meeting.

3. Consideration from Chief Kenneth Waites to use the Community Center on April 5, 2021, for the Monthly Fire Chief’s Association Meeting.

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

4. Consideration of resignation of Michael Allo as police officer effective March 1, 2021.

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

5. Consideration to vacate the roadway or portion thereof of property owned by Vann & Tabitha Honeycutt.

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

6. Consideration to accept the audit as presented by Byers & Byers.

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

7. Consideration to hire William Brannon effective March 13, 2021.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, and Other Business

1. Consideration of Resolution 2021-3-01- A Resolution declaring Surplus Property.

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

Mayor Barlow declared the motion passed unanimously.

CITY OF SATSUMA

RESOLUTION 2021-03-01

WHEREAS, the City of Satsuma, Alabama has a certain item of personal property which is surplus and no longer needed for public or municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-43-56 of the Alabama Code of 1975 authorizes the municipal governing body to dispose of unneeded personal property;

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

SECTION 1. That the following personal property owned by the City of Satsuma, Alabama is surplus and is not needed for public or municipal purposes:

- 1. 2010 Dodge Charger Vin#2B3AA4CVXAH151457
- 2. 2012 Dodge Charger Vin#2G3CDXAG6CH180563

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to dispose of the equipment owned by the City of Satsuma, Alabama described in Section 1 as directed by City Council.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _2nd_____ day of _February_____, 2021

/s/ Mark Barlow
Mark Barlow, Mayor

ATTEST /s/ Heather Davis
Heather Davis, City Clerk

2. Consideration of Resolution 2021-3-02- A Resolution vacating the property owned by Vann & Tabitha Honeycutt.

Councilmember Skelton made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Reese, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Mayor Barlow declared the motion passed unanimously.

CITY OF SATSUMA

RESOLUTION 2021-03-02

WHEREAS, there has been filed with the City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama a Petition requesting the assent of the City Council to the vacation of said right of way by Vann and Tabitha Honeycutt (a copy of the said petition is attached hereto as Exhibit 1); and

WHEREAS, said right of way has never been opened or used by the public and it appears that the abandonment and vacation thereof will not create a hardship or inconvenience of any nature on any person, the City of the general public, such vacation will not deprive property owners a convenient and reasonable means of ingress and egress to their property, and it appears to be in the best interest of the City of Satsuma that same be abandoned and vacated;

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

That the City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama assent to the vacation, by the property owners attached hereto as Exhibit 1, of the rights of way situated in the City of Satsuma, Mobile County, Alabama, described as follows, to wit;

That certain part and portion of an unnamed alley, street, right of way lying within the boundaries of Lot 4, Juniper Oaks (30'X 165.05') as shown on the plat recorded in Map Book 116, Page 95 in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Mobile County, Alabama,

That a copy of this resolution duly certified by the City Clerk of the City of Satsuma, Alabama shall be recorded with the Declaration of Vacation of said alleys, streets, or rights of way, in the Probate Court Records of Mobile County, Alabama.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of February, 2021

/s/ Mark Barlow
Mark Barlow, Mayor

ATTEST /s/ Heather Davis
Heather Davis, City Clerk

Mayor Barlow moved to go into executive session to discuss a pending lawsuit that is sensitive in mature Councilmember Butler made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Reese all voting “aye” Council went into executive session and would reconvene in 10 minutes. Upon returning at 7:52 stated that the matter had been discussed and resolved

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Reese made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:18 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