

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 May 18, 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 18th day of May 2021.

Invocation

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

Mayor Mark Barlow led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following answered present:

Mayor	Mark Barlow
Council Members	Randy Little
	Jason Skelton
	Mike Butler
	Emanuel Phillips

Councilmember Allison Reese was not present during council but was in attendance at Pre-Council.

Heather Davis, City Clerk, Jay Minus, City Attorney; Capt. Jana Dukes; Crystal Johnson, Crew Chief 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 5:30 pm for the purpose of the 5310 Grant application for Transportation for Senior Services. With people in attendance and with no discussion the hearing was closed at 5:35 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2021. Councilmember Jason Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Mike Butler seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions

Eddie Irby with the Buffalo Soldiers thanked the City and the Satsuma Police Department on escorting a procession to the home of a 100-year-old WWII veteran earlier this year. A certificate of appreciation was given to Capt. Jana Dukes, Ofc. Mark Henderson and to Sgt. Kent Sellers and Ofc. Gerald Roberts who were not in attendance. Mr. Irby stated that the Satsuma Police Department was now the Official escort for the Buffalo Soldiers and he would be getting with Chief Harrell about this designation.

Visitors

Former Mayor, Mr. Tom Williams, of 6357 Gilbert Drive came before the council on behalf of the Satsuma Lions Club. Mr. Willams stated that he had made contact with John Davis at the ballpark and with councils' approval they got 3 estimates for the work on the ballpark signs. He also urged the council to get the roof completed at the Satsuma Library as it is a historical building in Satsuma and needs to be preserved.

Mrs. Lynn Jones of Gilbert Creek HOA came before the council to ask permission to purchase and install four stop-sign posts and two speed-limit signs posts in their HOA area and asked for the city to consider a streetlight that was no longer working properly.

Linda Robbins came before the council to report that Satsuma's High School graduating class was awarded over \$6Million dollars in scholarships at the point with more coming in daily. This year the graduating class had three valedictorians, one salutatorian and two National Merit finalists.

Mayor's and Council's Reports:

Mayor's Report

Mayor Barlow congratulated the graduating class from Satsuma High School on all of their hard work and accomplishments during COVID.

Mayor Barlow reported that the City would go ahead with the 5310 grant that was discussed in the public hearing before council.

Mayor Barlow reported that Quinton Smith was in Atlanta and responding to treatment and asked that we keep him in prayers.

Mayor Barlow reported that interviews for the Building Inspector II position would be held on May 19, 2021.

Mayor Barlow reported that many projects were still being done within the city but as with many other municipalities and the problems with finding contractors, delays will be inevitable.

Mayor Barlow stated that the league convention attended by several councilmembers and himself was very informative and they learned a lot. While there, the Mayor suggested that we get the meeting agenda out on Friday the week before the council meeting the next week.

Mayor Barlow reported that the Trial Balance was presented tonight and thanked Heather Davis for getting that to them.

Mayor Barlow reported that with the Governor lifting the mask mandate that he would like to see the council all sitting back together behind the council bench starting in June 2021.

Mayor Barlow stated that he had met with Civil Southeast about the sidewalk projects around the city and they were in attendance at the Pre-Council tonight. Councilmember Skelton stated that if council proceeds and prices increase during the next few years and many costs would leave the council on the hook if they didn't bid the contract. Mayor Barlow reported that he grant is a 80/20 and those possibilities do exist.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little stated that he was thankful to be able to attend the league convention with the council in attendance and that he had a good time.

Councilmember Little reported that several permits had been issued by City Hall recently and was pleased to see new work being done around the city.

Councilmember Little stated that the van had been placed back in service with Senior Services.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler stated that the body cams had been delivered and all officers should be utilizing them by May 2021.

Councilmember Butler stated that Fire Truck #3 had some hose issues and that was being addressed.

Councilmember Butler wanted to express thanks for being able to attend the League Convention and that he thought it brought the council together for good bonding opportunities.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton asked the council for permission to report any opportunities from outside firms in grant writing and any requests that he may receive for the city at no cost to the city. If it is something council would like to pursue then he would be glad to present to council.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese was absent.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips stated there was a post on social media where a Sanitation Employee had gone above and beyond in their department and wanted to make sure Council was aware of the actions.

Items for Consideration

1. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$39,520.96.

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

2. Consideration of Ken Waites, Fire Chief to attend AAFC Summer Conference August 8-11, 2021 in Orange Beach, estimated to cost of \$800 plus food.

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

3. Consideration of promoting Charles Washington as Operator III effective June 5, 2021.

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

4. Consideration of estimates for replacing the roof at Satsuma Library.

On a motion by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little,

with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved to table this discussion until June 1, 2021. Councilmember Skelton said he would work up a report of the financials for the insurance money received and what has been received.

5. Consideration of FY 2022 TAP Sidewalk Grant Application with Civil Southeast.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

1. Resolution 2021-05-02

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to suspend the rules and put up for immediate adoption and seconded by Councilmember Butler, upon roll call, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-05-02, seconded by Councilmember Butler, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Mayor Barlow declared the motion passed unanimously

Resolution No: 2021-05-02

A Resolution Authorizing a Grant Application for a 5310 Grant to Aid with the Expenses of the Senior Services Transportation for FY2021

WHEREAS, Federal financial assistance as authorized under Section 5310 of the Federal Transit Act Amendments of 1991, is available through the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission to provide transportation services to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the submission of an application for said financial assistance is deemed necessary to aid in addressing the transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities residents of the Mobile Urban Area, and

WHEREAS, any agreement for capital financial assistance with South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the applicant to provide the best transit project that can be provided with the funds available.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Satsuma City Council as follows:

That the Mayor of Satsuma, Mark Barlow is authorized to execute, file a grant application, and enter into an agreement with the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission for aid in the financing of a Section 5310 transportation assistance project.

Adopted this 18th day of May, 2021.

Signature: _____

Mark Barlow, Mayor

Attest: _____

Heather Davis, City Clerk

2. Resolution 2021-05-03

Councilmember Little made a motion to suspend the rules and put up for immediate adoption and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, upon roll call, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Councilmember Little made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-05-03, seconded by Councilmember Skelton, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Mayor Barlow declared the motion passed unanimously

**RESOLUTION 2021-05-03
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 ALABAMA DIVISION A MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN, IN FULFILLMENT OF THE FEDERAL DISASTER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000 AND THE LOCAL MITIGATION PLAN REQUIREMENTS OF 44 C.F.R. SECTION 201.6 AND FEMA LOCAL MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING GUIDANCE

WHEREAS, the (local governing body) recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within (local community); and

WHEREAS, Division A of Alabama has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2021 Alabama Division A Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, 2021 Alabama Division A Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in (local community) from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the (local governing body) demonstrates their commitment to the hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlines in the (title and date of mitigation plan).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2021 Alabama Region A Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is hereby adopted by the (local governing body) and immediately made effective.

Adopted this 18 day of May, 2021.

APPROVED: /s/ Mark Barlow

Mayor

ATTEST

/s/ Heather Davis

City Clerk

3. Ordinance 538

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 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

absent
Councilmember Allison Reese

/s/ E. L. Phillips
Councilmember E.L. "Bubba" Phillips

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