

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

HEATHER DAVIS
CITY CLERK

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CHIEF OF POLICE

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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 January 18, 2022

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in regular public session at City Hall in said city at 7:00 p.m. the 18th day of January 2022.

Invocation

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

Councilmember Randy Little led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

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; and Chief Clint Harrell were also in attendance.

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

Agenda

On a motion made by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, the motion carried unanimously and the agenda was passed.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 4, 2022. Councilmember Reese made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions

None

Visitors

Mike Davis with the SCDO came before council to request the fees to be waived on rental of Steele Creek Lodge on April 21, 2022 to hold the Annual Citizen of the Year Banquet. On motion made by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Little, the motion carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Barlow expressed his condolences to several families on the death of their loved ones throughout the City of Satsuma.

Mayor Barlow reported that the tournament at Steele Creek this past weekend held by the Alabama Bass Federation went well and was televised.

Mayor Barlow stated that Satsuma High School held their Ms. Satsuma Pageant this past weekend and it went over well. He congratulated all of the participants.

Mayor Barlow reported that renovations at Steele Creek Lodge were still ongoing and the sheetrock part has been finished.

Mayor Barlow reported that a vehicle sold on GovDeals and picked up by the purchaser but he had made contact with the city about some issued with the vehicle. Travis Jones and Chief Clint Harrell have been in touch with the purchaser of the vehicle.

Mayor Barlow reported that the auditors would be in the office on Jan 24, 2022 to finalize this past year's audit.

Mayor Barlow stated that he had been in touch with Mediacom about offering internet on the I65 side of the city.

Mayor Barlow stated that he Robbie Strom with GMC had been under the weather and unable to attend the council meetings but he was in hopes he would be at the next meeting,

Mayor Barlow stated that the SARPC meeting had been rescheduled to Match 24-25,2022.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little reported that the seniors are still meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays and have about 12-15 people participating currently.

Councilmember Little stated there had been some recent work at the trash ramp.

Councilmember Little stated that a lot of permits have been issued recently and the sanitation trucks are up and running smoothly.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler stated that the police department had 10 interviews scheduled and only 3 people showed up for their interview. He also stated that the fire department is in interviews for fireman.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton stated that he would like to see a policy on how surplus property that belongs to the city is to be destroyed or sold.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese stated she had received a paper from the auditors and would like some explanation on what it is about.

Councilmember Reese gave an update on the repairs at the tennis courts. The contractor will be getting with us on the start date soon. They are currently waiting on the weather to be at a degree that they court will cure.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips reported that inmates were out last week due to quarantine.

Councilmember Phillips reported that public works had removed dead trees from the disc golf course, picked up trash along Highway 43 and throughout the city. Leaves were picked up with the leaf vac around the city, lights were repaired at the community center and the kayak ramp was resurfaced.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$11,570.98

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

B. Discussion and consideration of hiring William Cherry as a full-time police officer effective Jan 29, 2022.

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

C. Discussion and consideration of repaving Thomas and Harrison Road intersection.

On a motion by Councilmember Phillips to table this until next meeting and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Ordinance 542 – AN ordinance to amend Ordinance #520 (Animal Ordinance)

On a motion Councilmember Phillips and no second, the motion died for lack of second.

B. Resolution 2022-01-01 – A resolution to amend Resolution 2021-10-04 concerning premium pay under the provisions of the ARP Act.

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

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Reese made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Little seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:32 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