

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 February 1, 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 1st day of February 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; Chief Ken Waites, Travis Jones 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 Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little, the motion carried unanimously and the agenda was passed.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 18, 2022. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Recognitions

None

Visitors

Jennifer Wright came before Council to discuss her upcoming race for District Court Judge.

Chris Callahan came before Council to discuss his upcoming race for District Court Judge.

Judy Callen with the Women's Club came before council to discuss a proposal for the Union Chapel completion with quotes they had received to do their phases on the project.

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 stated he would like to thank all city employees and council for their condolences on the passing of his mother.

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

Mayor Barlow reported the 5310 grant opened up last week and the city is working on that grant at this time.

Mayor Barlow reported that the auditors would be ready by next council meeting.

Mayor Barlow stated that he would like to look at selling the lots at Laurel Drive that the city owns to use for future projects for the city.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

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

Councilmember Little stated there had been 86 meals delivered with the meals on wheels program.

Councilmember Little stated he would like to know what the current status of the Building Inspector position.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler stated that the police department had 426 calls and the fire department had 90 calls with 8 of those being mutual aid.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton stated that he would like to see a list pulled for court clerk on the next agenda.

Councilmember Skelton reported that some bills that were placed in his box had been removed and he was concerned about them being taking out of the box.

Councilmember Skelton reported that he would be donating his \$10 that Ms. Margaret Moorer gave him to the fire department coffee sale.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese stated the Library Foundation was doing their drive for new members.

Councilmember Reese stated that tom Briand had provided a memo on the renovations and cleaning standards that will need to be adhered to after the Loge is completed.

Councilmember Reese reported she would like to get a copy of the original executed contract for the Chapel.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips that public works burned limb piles at the Trash Ramp. The street sweeper can be set up through the county just like the other county equipment is used.

Councilmember Phillips reported that the ditch was cleaned on Park Street on the south end from Jill Lane to the Lift Station. Pot holes were patched throughout the city. An estimate on new lawn equipment has been requested. A busted pipe at Wright's Park was repaired.

Councilmember Phillips stated that quotes on the fence at Lions Park, wright Park and the Retention Pond. Public Works is also trying to get certifications for employees to use the bucket truck.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$46,841.22

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 ratifying the transfer and hiring of Richard Metts as a full-time PSW I effective Jan. 29, 2022.

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

C. Discussion and consideration of repaving Thomas and Harrison Road intersection by Harwell & Co. LLC.

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

D. Review bids to remove 1 hazardous tree out of the right of way at corner of 6th Street and West Pine Street.

On motion by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye” to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder, Reeds Tree Service. All voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

E. Review bids to remove 1 hazardous tree out of the right of way at corner of 109 Bayou Avenue.

On motion by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye” to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder, Reeds Tree Service. All voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

F. Discussion and consideration of moving council meeting scheduled for March 1, 2022 due to being on Mardi Gras Holiday.

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” to change it to March 8, 2022.

G. Discussion and Consideration of proper procedures to surplus property belonging to the city.

This was discussed in pre-council and no motion needed.

H. Accept the resignation of Branden Murphy as a full-time police officer effective Jan. 28, 2022 in good standing.

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

I. Discussion and consideration of calling for a part time police officer list.

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

J. Discussion of proposal of Lyon’s Park from Smith Electric.

Council approved to move forward with the proposal as submitted.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

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 7:45 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