

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 March 15, 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 15th day of March 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 Allison Reese 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, 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 to add items “g”, “h”, “i” 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 March 8, 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

Judy Callen came before Council to request a fee waiver for renting Steele Creek Lodge on May 18, 2022 to host the Gator Senior Guy’s lunch. A motion to waive the rental fee and for the clean up fee of \$125 to be paid was made by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Little, with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

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 the fence at Lion’s Park on the side of Plateau needs to be addressed. He will have Travis Jones look into getting some quotes and will be reporting back to the Council.

Mayor Barlow reported there is a vacancy with Satsuma City School Board. The applications will be available until March 31, 2022 at 5P.M. at City Hall.

Mayor Barlow reported that the annual audit from the Water Board was received and everything looked good.

Mayor Barlow stated some improvement was done to the roadway at Oak and South Oak Drive.

Mayor Barlow stated the road grader has been scheduled with the county for Saturday March 19, 2022.

Mayor Barlow stated with the price of fuel going up that budget may need to be amended but he will keep looking at the charges.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little didn’t have anything to report at this time.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler stated that Chief Waites has applied for a grant for the fire department from the State of Alabama in the amount of \$10K.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton stated the prom promise would be held on March 16, 2022 at the high stadium parking lot and that Heather Davis will be attending class the last week of April.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese asked Mayor Barlow for an update on the tennis courts. She also asked for an update from Mayor Barlow about the entrance signs and them being repaired. She stated that since insurance money was received, she would like to see this completed.

Councilmember Reese stated she would like to see an update on the LED lighting at the parks.

Councilmember Reese mentioned that the parks budget has some line items at 100% because the season for those parks have not yet started.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips stated that all of the striping done by public works looks good throughout the city.

Items for Consideration**A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$30,937.40**

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

B. Discussion and consideration resignation of Jeffery Reeves as a part-time police officer effective March 25, 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.

C. Discussion and consideration of purchasing two zero turn lawn mowers from Saraland Lawn and Garden in the amount of \$19,943.42 each.

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

D. Discussion and consideration of Union Chapel to renew the original contract with Satsuma Women’s Club.

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

E. Discussion and consideration of bids for cleaning services at Steele Creek Lodge.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton to table this item until after the work session and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

F. Discussion and consideration of increasing rental fees for Steele Creek Lodge.

On motion by Councilmember Skelton to table this item until after the work session and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

G. Discussion and consideration of sending a letter of intent to purchase a SSV Tahoe for the Fire Department from Donohoo.

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

H. Discussion and consideration to give Mayor Barlow authority to sign ADEM permit for the MS4 report.

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

I. Discussion and consideration of setting a work session on March 22, 2022 at 5:30 to discuss Steele Creek Lodge.

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

J. Executive Session to discuss contract issue on a contract employee.

On motion made by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Phillips with all voting “aye” council went into executive session at 7:45P.M. Council reconvened at 8:12P.M. No action taken at this time.

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 8:12 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