

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 April 19, 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 19th day of April 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.

Mayor Mark Barlow 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 “f – I” and move item “e” to the end of the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Little, the motion carried unanimously and the agenda was approved.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on April 5, 2022. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes with correction on page 3. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Recognitions**

None

**Visitors**

Kathy Gifford came before the Council to discuss gaining water access at the Satsuma Community Garden Park.

**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 Sharon Patterson and Sheila Collins had been hired to fill the position of driver with the meals on wheels program.

Mayor Barlow stated that the sunrise service at Steele Creek Lodge was nice and well attended.

Mayor Barlow reported that the water and sewer project was still underway and should be finalized very soon.

Mayor Barlow stated that the streets for the pay as you go project needs to be set and can be discussed at the workshop.

Mayor Barlow reported that he had been working on salaries for the departments and would also be discussed at the workshop on April 25, 2022.

**Public Services – Councilmember Little**

Councilmember Little reminded everyone that it had been a year since Mr. Quinton Smith had been injured while on duty and asked for continued prayers for him and his family.

**Public Safety – Councilmember Butler**

Councilmember Butler reported that there were total calls of 45 fire calls. He also reported that the two new firefighters that are in class are doing well and at the top of their class in training.

**Administration – Councilmember Skelton**

Councilmember Skelton reported that there had been several wrecks at the curve on Juniper and would like to have public works look into adding something to help gain attention to the curve.

**Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese**

Councilmember Reese reported that a water meter should be installed at the Bark Park within the weeks

Councilmember Reese asked Mayor Barlow to please look in to options for water fountains for visitors to the Bark Park.

Councilmember Reese stated that the flag at the north entrance to the city is missing and would like that addressed. She also asked about having the north and south end entrances to the city to mirror each other

Councilmember Reese requested from Mayor Barlow if he had a schedule for grass cutting at the ball parks and he reported that there was not a schedule but the grass has been cut.

Councilmember Reese also requested that city hall could get an update on the signs for the Bark Park.

Councilmember Reese requested an update on the opening of the Splash Pad and the hiring of a magistrate. Mayor Barlow reported he had hired someone provisionally on a newly created part time position. A list from the Mobile County Personnel Board has been requested but he had spoken to Judge Williams and Prosecutor Mims and they were in agreeance with hiring of this person.

Councilmember Reese requested an update on the hiring of a Building Inspector and Mayor Barlow reported he had some good prospects and would also like to hire them provisionally. He also stated that he had spoken to the City of Saraland and they will be willing to help out again for a period of time.

**Public Works – Councilmember Phillips**

Councilmember Phillips reported that the two new zero-turn lawn mowers had been delivered. Once the safety lighting was installed they should be in service quickly.

**Items for Consideration**

**A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$100,674.43**

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 the request from Satsuma High School Baseball team to waive the rental fee for Steele Creek Lodge on May 17, 2022 for the senior breakfast.**

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

**C. Consideration of the resignation of Brett Long as a Firefighter effective April 23, 2022 and to remain as a part-time employee.**

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

**D. Review and approval of the annual audit ending September 30, 2021.**

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

**E. Consideration of appointment to the Satsuma City School Board to replace Stephanie Gatlin.**

On motion by Councilmember Reese to appoint Korey Wesley to the Satsuma City School Board and seconded by Councilmember Phillips, with all voting “aye” on a roll call vote, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

**F. Consideration of setting a workshop on April 25, 2022 at 5:30 P.M, to discuss pay-as-you -go resurfacing project as well as salaries for employees.**

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

**G. Discussion and consideration to accept the bid from Quite the Cleaning for services at Steele Creek Lodge in the amount of \$275.00.**

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

**H. Discussion and consideration of accepting the new rental rates at Steel Creek Lodge.**

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

**I. Executive session to discuss applications for Satsuma City School Board position with approximately 30 minutes stated as time needed.**

On motion made by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all voting “aye” council went into executive session at 7:30P.M. Council reconvened at 7:56 P.M.

**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 7:58 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