

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 17, 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 17th day of May 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:

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| 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 and 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 May 3, 2022. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Recognitions

None

Visitors

Mike Cassity came before the council to discuss the possible annexation with the City of Creola and the next steps that needed to be taken from the City of Satsuma.

Brent Rawson with First Baptist Church Satsuma came before the council to request permission for the Port City Pacers to have a 2-mile run on August 13, 2022 at 8am through the city. Council approved the request.

TW Barnes of 320 Chelsea Court came before the council to discuss an issue he had on his property in regards to a speed bump and asked for the city's assistance in possibly getting something to prevent people from crossing the side of the speed bump and adding speed bumps to their subdivision.

Jessie Percell of 214 Pine Ave East came before council to request help with debris located near his property.

Darrell Lee of 58 Woodland Ave came before council to request a change in the animal ordinance to allow cows on his property.

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 Annual League went well and they appreciated the opportunity to attend.

Mayor Barlow stated Satsuma High School will be holding graduation on Friday and would like to wish all graduates well in the future. Mayor Barlow also wishes the Satsuma High School softball team well in their tournament.

Mayor Barlow reported he had met with the ladies from the Women's club about the Chapel and Mr. Joe Tarver should be getting to work on that project soon.

Mayor Barlow reported that the speak for the Memorial Day event had cancelled but they are currently working on a new speaker. This will be held on May 30, 2022 at 9 AM in the front lawn of City Hall.

Mayor Barlow reported he had asked Explosive signs to get some quotes on signs through the city.

Mayor Barlow reported the resurfacing project with Pay As You Go should start on Avondale and expects it to move along quickly.

Mayor Barlow stated that Mr. Allan Killen with Civil Southeast was in pre-council to discuss the TAP and Dogwood Drive projects.

Mayor Barlow stated that there will be a food truck at the Garden Park on May 19, 2022 if anyone would like to attend.

Mayor Barlow also reminded everyone that the annual league meeting will be held next week and most of the council will be out of town attending this.

Mayor Barlow stated that he was in hopes of having a building inspector list by the first of June.

Mayor Barlow also reported that the Methodist Church would be having a rib plate sale.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little stated that he would like to thank the city for allowing him to attend the annual league convention

Councilmember Little stated he would like to congratulate the seniors of Satsuma High School Class of 2022.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Nothing to report.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Nothing to report.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese wanted to report that registration for cheerleading would be held this next Thursday and that the parks and concession stands are to be shared with all activities, baseball, softball, football and cheerleading. Councilmember Reese stated that the locks needed to be checked and a key available for cheerleading to use.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Nothing to report.

Items for Consideration

- A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$115,457.16**

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

B. Ratifying the hiring of Karla Rylee as a part time magistrate effective April 23, 2022.

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

C. Ratifying the hiring of Michael Whisenhant as a fulltime EO III operator effective May 11, 2022.

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

D. Ratifying the hiring of Joshua McLendon as a fulltime police officer effective April 23, 2022.

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

E. Ratifying the hiring of Gage Busic as a fulltime police officer effective May 7, 2022.

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

F. Ratifying the hiring of Taranja Griggs as a fulltime jailer/dispatcher effective April 23, 2022.

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

G. Discussion and consideration of pay adjustments across the board for skilled employees.

A motion was made to go into executive session. Upon arrival back a motion was made by Councilmember Little and seconded by Councilmember Skelton to give a 5% across the board raise to all skilled employees to not include unskilled laborers. With all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

H. Discussion and consideration of quotes to service the generators throughout the city.

Was tabled until some additional quotes can be obtained.

I. Discussion and consideration of entering into a supplemental agreement with Civil Southeast – Project RALG 49-2022-444.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Resolution 2022-05-03, The retiring of Kevin Harrison from SARPC.

Was introduced.

B. Resolution 2022-05-03, The retiring of Diane Burnett from SARPC.

Was introduced.

C. Resolution 2022-05-05 – To hire Civil Southeast for roadway improvements along Dogwood Drive.

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

Executive Session

On motion made by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Skelton with all voting “aye” during a roll call vote, council went into executive session at 7:49P.M. to discuss the good name and character of an employee. Council reconvened at 8:25 P.M

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Reese made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:41 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