

MARK BARLOW
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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 June 21, 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 21st day of June 2022.

Invocation

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

Councilmember Mike Buter 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 Sgt. Troy Willcutt 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 Rese 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 June 7 2022. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Work Session held on June 14 2022. Councilmember Phillips made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

Recognitions

None

Visitors

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

Kyle and Tina Rutkoski came before council to present their application for annexation into the city. On a motion made by Councilmember Little and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, the motion carried unanimously and was approved.

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 public works will be working on Wright's Park for the We love Satsuma event.

Mayor Barlow stated that the recognition signs for the concession stands had been found and will be put up soon.

Mayor Barlow stated that in the department head meetings, he reminded everyone to prepare their departments for hurricane season approaching.

Mayor Barlow reported that he has asked the City Attorney, Jay Minus to prepare a contract with the City and Joe Tarver on the building of the Union Chapel for the Women's Club.

Mayor Barlow reported that a tentative ground breaking will be held for the Union Chapel on July 17th at 4pm.

Mayor Barlow stated that Robbie Strom with GMC will be meeting Friday the 24th to discuss the GOMESA project with office staff.

Mayor Barlow stated nothing has been received back from Creola regarding possible annexation. However, he had spoken to Mayor Nelson and expects to receive something soon.

Mayor Barlow stated that the signs for Juniper have not been received yet and asked that Travis Jones check on this order.

Mayor Barlow stated that the benches for the Splash Pad and Bark Park have been ordered and will be installed once they are here.

Mayor Barlow reported that the A/C unit at the library was repaired.

Mayor Barlow asked Jay Minus to look at the debris removal contract with GreenCo. and make sure everything is in line for this hurricane season.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little stated that an email had been received from SARPC regarding the purchase price of the van that has been ordered. He asked that some more specifics be given on the price and Mayor Barlow stated he would follow up with that.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

No Comments

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton expressed his thanks to all of the city employees in the Fire, Police, Public Works, Sanitation, Parks and Splash Pad attendants for working in the extreme heat. He reminded everyone to stay hydrated.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese reported that the tennis court restoration has been started.

Councilmember Reese stated that Football registration would be held on June 23 & 30 as well as July 7 & 14. The first game is scheduled for September 6th.

Councilmember Reese reported that the restroom and concession stand combo for C and D fields are being worked on with Tom Briand and the quotes have not been received at this time.

Councilmember Reese reported that she had given a request to Commissioner Ludgood for possible funding for a new feature at the splash pad.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips reported that the tractor for public works was received and has been put in place to work.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$18,515.11

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

B. Discussion and consideration of a sidewalk agreement with Civil Southeast for TAP FY22.

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

C. Discussion and consideration of reappointing Billy Salter to the Library Board for the term ending June 2022 for another 4-year term.

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

D. Discussion and consideration reappointing Emily Arellano to the Library Board for the term ending June 2022 for another 4-year term.

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

E. Discussion and consideration of creating two new part-time positions for a firefighter.

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

F. Discussion and consideration of calling for a full-time firefighter list.

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 signing an agreement with Alabama Power on changing lights to 35W LED’s throughout the city.

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

H. Discussion and consideration an estimate from Signs by Designs Inc for a sign and installation at the Bark Park Entrance.

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

I. Discussion and consideration of a quote for directional signs around the city from Explosive Signs.

On a motion by Councilmember Reese to add Bark Park and changing the wording for city dump to Trash Ramp and seconded by Councilmember Little, with all voting “aye” Council approved and the motion carried.

J. Discussion and consideration of city property located on Laurel Drive.

On motion by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Little a lengthy discussion was held. Councilmember Skelton stated he had concerns about taking a city asset off the books without replacing it with another asset. Specifically due to the state of the economy. Councilmember Reese stated she was concerned with the use of the money from the sale of the property and felt those items could be purchased with funds in the budget or grants. She also stated he concerns with the quality of products that could be built. Councilmember Little stated he was concerned with the S&P ratings possibly changing, and that he would like to postpone the sale at this time until further information could be obtained. Councilmember Butler also stated that he would like to wait until the new ratings were obtained before making a decision. Mayor Barlow stated that during the work session that no one had an opposition to this. Councilmember Phillips stated that he would like a roll call vote. With a roll call vote, the motion did not pass.

Mark Barlow - aye

Randy Little - nay

Mike Butler- nay

Jason Skelton - nay

Allison Reese - nay

Emanuel Phillips - aye

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Resolution 2022-06-02, TAP Project TAPAA-T22(921)

On a motion by Councilmember Reese to suspend the rules and put up for immediate adoption and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

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

B. Resolution 2022-06-03, Title VI Plan.

On a motion by Councilmember Skelton to suspend the rules and put up for immediate adoption and seconded by Councilmember Butler, with all voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

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

C. Resolution 2022-06-04 – Authorizing Surplus Property.

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

D. Resolution 2022-06-05 – Act 2022-229 RSA Retiree’s Lump Sum

On a motion by Councilmember Little and seconded by Councilmember Phillips, with Mayor Barlow abstaining, the motion was approved.

Adjournment

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