

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 July 5, 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 5th day of July 2022.

Invocation

Mayor Barlow welcomed everyone and reminded everyone in attendance 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
Council Members

Mark Barlow
Randy Little
Mike Butler
Jason Skelton
Emanuel Phillips

Council Members Absent

Allison Reese

Edith Butler, Jay Minus, City Attorney 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 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 June 21 2022. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Recognitions

None

Visitors

Robert Risher with the Spirit of Satsuma Band came before council to request a donation for the band program. Council agreed to donate \$800 to the Satsuma Band. On motion made by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, 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 reported a thank you card had been received from The University of Auburn Extension and thanked the council for allowing them to use Steele Creek Lodge.

Mayor Barlow stated that the We love Satsuma event went well.

Mayor Barlow stated that the Lodge had a good rib slab event for July 4th.

Mayor Barlow reported that the van for senior services is aging and after speaking with SARPC, council has decided to stay on the list and keep waiting for the van.

Mayor Barlow reported he still had not received a response back from Creola.

Mayor Barlow stated departments are working on an asset list and inventory of city items.

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 Planning Board would meet on Thursday.

Mayor Barlow reported that he spoke to Councilmember Reese about the playground at Steele Creek Lodge and that he would like to explore purchasing these items outside of the GOMESA Project.

Mayor Barlow reminded everyone of the Union Chapel groundbreaking July 17, 2022 at 4PM.

Mayor Barlow Jeff from Alabama Power company came and they are installing the LED Lights.

Mayor Barlow stated that new Southernlincs were ordered and will be in place for emergency weather.

Mayor Barlow reported that a meeting with Jackie Benson, Kory Wesley and Heather Davis was held about updating the website and social media accounts. Mainly to notify people of emergency situations that may apply to citizens. Updating the meetings and scheduled items for the city.

Mayor Barlow extended his appreciation to Charles Perry for always doing work for the city placing flags out in the community.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little stated that a lot of new construction is going on and there is constant permitting being handled in City Hall.

Councilmember Little stated that attendance on Tuesday and Thursdays are still good with the Seniors.

Councilmember Little stated he would like to thank all of the employees in the city that worked on July 4th holiday.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler reported that Chief Waites was out attending a class. The total fire calls for the month were 55 with 2 being mutual aid calls. The police department had a total of 601 calls for service.

Councilmember Butler reported that Officer Michael McGuire will begin employment with July 16, 2022.

Councilmember Butler stated that Sgt. Troy Willcutt coordinated with EMA to designate a Point of Distribution site in the event of a natural disaster necessitating relief supplies for the City and Dr. Tim Guinn has graciously agreed to allow Satsuma High School be the Site.

Councilmember Butler stated that Chief Waites and Sgt. Willcutt coordinated with Mobile County Communications and established a secondary base radio site for emergency communications.

Councilmember Butler reported that with the assistance of Mayor Barlow, the city has applied for a \$15,000 grant to upgrade body armor.

Councilmember Butler reported that Deputy Mark Tunstall and Karla Bryars with Mobile Co. Sheriff's Office did some in house training with the Police Department on Sex Offender Registration.

Councilmember Butler stated that K9 Officer Robert Moore assisted Saraland PD with a traffic stop on I-65. During this stop Cpl. Moore and K9 Xpander were able to help Saraland Police by K9 Xpander alerting to the presence of narcotics near the driver's door vehicle. A kilo of Fentanyl was recovered.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

None.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Mayor Barlow reported that Travis Jones went to Magnolia Park and would recommend the removal of the wooden structure located there as it is a safety hazard.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

None.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$36,639.47

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 Ordinance 542 which will amend previous animal ordinance.

With no motion made, the ordinance will remain as it stands.

C. Discussion and consideration of the resignation of Richard Metts as PSWI not in good standing effective June 22, 2022.

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

D. Discussion and consideration of waiving the rental fee for the Satsuma City Schools Institute Day August 3, 2022 from 7am to 3pm with the cleaning fee to apply.

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

E. Discussion and consideration of contract with Joe Tarver for the construction of the Union Chapel.

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

F. Discussion and consideration of quotes for directional signs throughout the city from Explosive signs.

No motion needed just an update on the quotes were discussed.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Ordinance 543- Annexation of Property

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

B. Resolution 2022-07-01- CRSSA Project

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

C. Resolution 2022-07-02 – Contract with Joe Tarver for construction of Union Chapel with the Women’s Club.

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

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Skelton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Little seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 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

Absent
Councilmember Allison Reese

/s/ E. L. Phillips
Councilmember E.L. “Bubba” Phillips

ATTEST: /s/ Heather Davis
Heather Davis, City Clerk