

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 October 4, 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 4th day of October 2022.

Invocation

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

Councilmember Skelton 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, Fire Chief 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 Little to add an additional item “e” and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, the motion carried unanimously and the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on September 20, 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 Workshop held on September 27, 2022. Councilmember Phillips made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Recognitions

Key Students from Robert E. Lee Elementary were recognized.

Visitors

Jami Tucker came before the Council to request having a Witch’s ride through Vaughn’s on October 30, 2022. On a motion made by Councilmember Skelton to allow the activity and seconded by Councilmember Phillips, the motion carried unanimously.

Mike Davis came before the Council to request a rental fee waiver of Steele Creek Lodge on December 3, 2022 for The Grinch Breakfast. On a motion made by Councilmember Little to approve the waiver with the cleanup fee to be paid and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, the motion carried unanimously.

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 Preconstruction meeting for the RAA project was held earlier today and the project should be completed by Thanksgiving.

Mayor Barlow reported that sidewalk bids would be opened on October 19, 2022.

Mayor Barlow stated James Elmore and Travis Jones got some quotes on the netting for Lions Park. He has asked them to explore some more options.

Mayor Barlow reported that the deposit has been sent to Explosive Signs for the new directional signs throughout the city.

Mayor Barlow reported to council that Mobile Popcorn had offered 100 chairs at \$3 a piece to the city. Council had no opposition to the purchase of these chairs.

Mayor Barlow stated that the lights at Baldwin Square had been changed to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Mayor Barlow reported that the water fountain came in for the Bark Park.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little reported that the Seniors are still having approximately 12-15 people on Tuesday and Thursday. Meals on Wheels delivered 1012 meals and the van made 51 trips to various places.

Councilmember Little stated that everything in the Sanitation Department seemed to be going well.

Councilmember Little stated he was optimistic with the Building Inspector position and looks forward to finding someone for the position.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler reported that 112 citations were written during the month. There were 10 accidents. 496 calls for the Police Department, Fire had 68 calls.

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton stated that he and Heather Davis have been working on inputting request for the FY2023 and have finalized the budget.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese stated that she has been invited to cheer with the SY Cheer at 6pm on Thursday and would like to say thanks to them for inviting her.

Councilmember Reese stated that on October 30, 2022, the 3rd Annual Hall-O-Weenie Pet parade would be held from 4-6PM along with the 2nd annual Witch's Ride at noon.

Councilmember Reese requested that the portable toilets be serviced twice a week at Wright Park.

Councilmember Reese stated that she would like to see the advertisement signs be picked up around the city that are not in compliance with codes.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips stated he would like to request the purchase of 6 weed eaters, 2 chain saws, 2 blowers to replace aging equipment in the \$3,306.36.

Councilmember Phillips stated that public works had replaced deck boards at boat ramp at Steele Creek Lodge.

Councilmember Phillips stated that bows were installed at Baldwin Square in support of Breast Cancer Awareness.

Councilmember Phillips stated the hand rails and floating launch at Kayak ramp had been repaired.

Councilmember Phillips reported that the sidearm cutter and road grader had been out recently and all dirt roads were graded. The drains had been cleaned and road shoulders cut.

Councilmember Phillips reported that new street signs had been received for Third, Maple, Second, Maple Court, First, Park, Orange, Jill Lane, Tajaucha N. and S., US Hwy 43, Ryan Ct and Dogwood Drive.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$17,779.32

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 the Annual Christmas Parade start time.

On a motion by Councilmember Reese and seconded by Councilmember Skelton to have the parade time at 11:00AM, with a roll call vote as follows, the motion did not pass:

Mayor Mark Barlow - nay

Randy Little - nay

Mike Butler- aye

Jason Skelton - aye

Allison Reese - aye

Emanuel Phillips - nay

On a motion by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Little to have the parade time at 1:00PM, with a roll call vote as follows, the motion passed:

Mayor Mark Barlow - aye

Randy Little - aye

Mike Butler- aye

Jason Skelton - aye

Allison Reese - nay

Emanuel Phillips - aye

C. Discussion and consideration of adopting FY2023 Budget.

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

D. Discussion and consideration of calling for a Building Inspector I & II list.

Discussed that a list had been pulled.

E. Discussion and consideration of quotes for the Municipal Dinner in November to be hosted by City of Satsuma.

On a motion by Councilmember Reese to award the catering to Bay City Grill on November 17, 2022 and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye” Council approved and the motion carried.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Executive Session

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Little with all voting “aye” during a roll call vote, council went into executive session at 8:23 P.M. to discuss litigation against the City of Satsuma to last approximately 20 minutes. Council reconvened at 8:46 P.M.

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 8:50 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