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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 18, 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 18th day of October 2022.

### **Invocation**

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

Councilmember Reese 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  
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 Skelton to add an additional item “c, d and e” 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 October 4, 2022. Councilmember Reese made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Workshop held on October 11, 2022. Councilmember Little made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **Recognitions**

None

### **Visitors**

Will Stewart of 5909 Chattanooga Drive came before Council to address changing Former Mayor Stewart’s picture that is located in Council Chambers. Council agreed to allow him to change the picture and Councilmember Reese asked that we do a formal reveal of the picture at a future meeting.

Carl Knight of 5556 Fourth Street came before council to discuss the possible closure of the right of way by his house due to possible dangers that exist from cars using the right of way to exit.

### **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 RAA Project should start around the first of November.

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

Mayor Barlow stated that Public Works had picked up the chairs that were purchased from Mobile Popcorn and will be stored at Public Works.

Mayor Barlow reported that the netting for Lions Park will be discussed at a later date due to needing to research the proper material.

Mayor Barlow reported that the new doors have been installed at Steele Creek Lodge.

Mayor Barlow stated that The Union Chapel project is looking good.

Mayor Barlow reported that he was looking into the Pennsylvania Crossing with ALDOT for a traffic study to possibly get a grant.

**Public Services – Councilmember Little**

None

**Public Safety – Councilmember Butler**

None

**Administration – Councilmember Skelton**

None

**Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese**

Councilmember Reese stated she is considering Saturday November 12, 2022 to have a ribbon cutting for the Satsuma Park Bark.

Councilmember Reese expressed her appreciation to the Satsuma Youth Cheerleaders for allowing her to participate.

Councilmember Reese reminded everyone that the Municipal Dinner will be held by the City of Semmes on October 20, 2022.

Councilmember Reese stated that she is looking for local artist that would like to submit drawings for the boards at the Bark Park. She also reported that the water fountain at the Bark Park had been installed and looked great. She stated that the picnic table and the playground equipment are the only items still left for Magnolia Park.

Councilmember Reese reported that she is still waiting on further information about the Scrap Tire Grant that the city applied for.

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

Councilmember Reese requested that public works supply 8 tables, 10 chairs, 6 trash cans, 1 portable toilet and 1 handwash station for the Pet Parade.

**Public Works – Councilmember Phillips**

None

**Items for Consideration****A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$42,389.63**

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 calling for a Building Inspector I & II list.**

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

**C. Discussion and consideration of filling vacancies, and raises for employees.**

Tabled until discussed in the upcoming workshop.

**D. Discussion and consideration of temporary closing the Right of Way on Fourth Street between Orange Ave East and Oakdale Ave.**

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

**E. Discussion and consideration of setting a workshop for October 25, 2022 at 5:30PM to discuss promotions, employee raises and opening other positions for departments in the city.**

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

**Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business****A. Resolution 2022-10-01 – FY23 Budget**

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

**B. Executive Session**

On motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Reese with all voting “aye” during a roll call vote, council went into executive session at 7:29P.M. to discuss litigation against the City of Satsuma to last approximately 15 minutes. Council reconvened at 7:54 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 7:56 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