

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

JESSICA JONES
CITY CLERK

TROY WILLCUTT
ACTING POLICE CHIEF

KENNETH WAITES
FIRE CHIEF



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 17, 2023

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 October 2023.

Mayor Barlow welcomed everyone and reminded everyone in attendance to turn all cell phones in the silent or off position. Everyone was requested to stand for pledge.

Invocation

Councilmember Little led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, the following answered present:

Mayor	Mark Barlow
Council Members	Jason Skelton
	Randy Little
	Bubba Phillips
	Mike Butler
Absent	Allison Reese

Jessica Jones, City Clerk, Jay Minus, City Attorney, Ken Waites, Fire Chief, Troy Willcutt, Acting Police Chief, Travis Jones, Public Works Supervisor and George Fralic, Building Inspector 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 with the addition of f, rental prices for the Chapel, and g, purchase truck for Public Works, added to discussion and/or consideration and seconded by Councilmember Butler, the motion carried unanimously the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on October 3, 2023. Councilmember Skelton made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Little seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Recognitions

Sergeant Willcutt, Acting Police Chief, was promoted to Captain. Mayor Barlow presented Sergeant Willcutt with his Captain's pin. Mayor and Council congratulated him on his promotion and thank him for his hard work and dedication.

Visitors

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 stated the Grand Opening at the Chapel Sunday October 15, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. was a success and it was a great turnout.

Mayor Barlow stated the Grand Opening of Steele Creek held this morning was a success. Mayor Barlow stated his thanks to Commissioner Blankship for attending along with City Hall and Public Works for all of their hard work put in to this event.

Mayor Barlow stated the GMC should have the 3rd Street Project out for bid this week.

Mayor Barlow stated he spoke with SARPC and the bus is in and the van should be arriving next week.

Mayor Barlow stated Veteran's Day Ceremony will be held on November 10, 2023 at 9:00 and to get with Jessica if you will be in attendance.

Mayor Barlow stated the holes on Avondale Ave. had been repaired.

Mayor Barlow stated the engineers are looking into getting a ladder installed at Steele Creek boat launch for boaters to have easier access.

Mayor Barlow stated George received quotes for having the doors repaired at City Hall and he bought samples for everyone to view.

Mayor Barlow reminded everyone that Halloween is approaching and safety will be a top priority.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little stated the Inspections Department along with Sanitation are staying busy.

Councilmember Little stated he was very please to hear the van will be arriving soon.

Councilmember Little asked if the antenna at the Community Center had been ordered. Trish Morra stated she had gotten several quotes and will have one installed in the next couple of weeks.

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler introduced Ashlyn Ross as the new junior councilmember

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Councilmember Skelton had nothing to report.

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Absent

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips stated Public Works is very business cutting grass, cleaning ditches, laying sod at the Chapel, and setting up for the ribbon cutting at Steele Creek. Councilmember Phillips stated his thanks to Public Works.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$90,811.63

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 disposing of PPE at the Fire Department.

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

C. Discussion and consideration to increase the library appropriations to \$67,805.00

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

D. Discussion and consideration to sponsor Satsuma High School Baseball.

On a motion by Councilmember Phillips to sponsor in the amount of \$500.00 and seconded by Councilmember Skelton, with all voting “aye” Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

E. Discussion and consideration of \$2.00 rate increase to Garbage.

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

F. Discussion and consideration to set the rates and procedures for the Chapel.

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

G. Discussion and consideration to purchase a truck from Pierce Car & Truck Sales, INC. in the amount of \$17,500.00 for the Public Works Department

Mayor Barlow abstained from all discussion.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

A. Resolution 2023-10-04- To approve Budget FY 2024

On a motion made by Councilmember Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Phillips, 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 Butler seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:22 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

Councilmember Allison Reese

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

ATTEST: /s/ Jessica Jones
Jessica Jones, City Clerk

