

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

JESSICA JONES
CITY CLERK

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ACTING POLICE CHIEF

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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 April 2, 2024

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in regular public session at City Hall in said city at 6:30 p.m. the 2nd day of April 2024.

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	Randy Little
	Mike Butler
	Jason Skelton
	Allison Reese
	Emanuel Phillips
Junior Council Members	

Jessica Jones, City Clerk, Jay Minus, City Attorney, 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 Skelton and seconded by Councilmember Reese, the motion carried unanimously the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Barlow presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on March 19, 2024. Councilmember Reese made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Recognitions

Visitors

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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 Easter sunrise service held at Steele Creek was very nice and well attended.

Mayor Barlow stated the audit was given at the last meeting and we have received the final audit to be voted on tonight.

Mayor Barlow stated the 6-month financial report was given out tonight. Mayor Barlow opened the floor for anyone who had any questions about the financial report. No questions or comments.

Mayor Barlow stated the restrooms at Wright Park and Baldwin Square are progressing.

Mayor Barlow stated the trash ramp project should be starting soon and asked George to have an update at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Barlow stated the new garbage truck is set to be delivered by the end of the month.

Mayor Barlow stated we should have a start date on the sidewalk projects at the end of this week.

Mayor Barlow stated Pay as You Go bids are next week for Thomas and Powers.

Mayor Barlow stated the Water/Sewer Project is continuing to progress.

Mayor Barlow stated it is time to give our next roads/streets for the upcoming Pay as You Go. Mayor Barlow stated this is due at the next council meeting.

Mayor Barlow stated the April calendar is in everyone's binder.

Public Services – Councilmember Little

Councilmember Little said the Trash Ramp project was much needed and expressed his thanks for getting it started.

Councilmember Little stated the step on the senior van looks great.

Councilmember Little stated the senior van had 37 medical trips and 2 social trips last month.

Councilmember Little stated Meals on Wheels delivered 880 meals in March.

Councilmember Little gave the Building Department report for the month of March.

New Permits for March -29

Building and Trade Inspections -26

Nuisance Complaints – 2

Active Permits – 50

Permits for 2024 – 72

Inspections for 2024 - 120

Public Safety – Councilmember Butler

Councilmember Butler gave the Fire Department Report for March

Calls for Service – 85

Emergency Medical Calls -53

Fire Related Calls – 4

Structure Fire – 3

Grass/Woods Fire – 3

Motor Vehicle Fire – 1

Motor Vehicle Accident – 3

Mutual Aid Given – 3

Mutual Aid Received – 1

Councilmember Butler gave the Police Department Report for March

Calls of Service – 715

Felony Cases – 6

Felony Arrest -4

Misdemeanor Cases -76

Misdemeanor Arrest -47

Traffic Accidents – 4

Traffic Citations -227

Municipal Ordinance Citations -3
Calls of Service Previous Month – 676

Administration – Councilmember Skelton

Nothing to Report

Parks & Recreation – Councilmember Reese

Councilmember Reese asked about a few accounts on the revenue and expenditure report. The city clerk told Councilmember Reese she could get her a detail of those accounts.

Councilmember Reese gave a report from Parks: cleaned restrooms throughout the parks, picked up limbs and debris from parks, purchased new hedges to replace dead plants at Baldwin Square, trimmed hedges at lodge, edged sidewalks, pressure washed bleachers at Lion's and Wriugh's Park, and trimmed shrubs along roadway at Wright's Park.

Councilmember Reese stated the library is having a plant trade on Thursday April 4, 2023 from 11:00-5:30.

Public Works – Councilmember Phillips

Councilmember Phillips gave a report from Public Works: cleaned ditches and drains throughout the city, picked up paper on Hwy 43 and Old 43, filled in sink hole on Vaughn, picked up limbs throughout the city, cut grass, leaf vac at Sansom for repair, weed eat throughout the city, and county came to grade dirt roads.

Items for Consideration

A. Consideration of payment of the bills in the amount of \$106,992.66

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

B. Discussion and consideration of application from Prentiss and Susie Smith to annex property on Ryals St. in to the city.

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

C. Discussion and consideration of awarding bid for one oak tree on Oakdale Ave.

On a motion by Councilmember Reese to award Reed's Tree Service the bid on Oakdale and seconded by Councilmember Little, with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

D. Discussion and consideration of awarding bid for two oak trees on 3rd St.

On a motion by Councilmember Reese to award Reed's Tree Service the bid on 3rd St. and seconded by Councilmember Little, with all voting "aye" Council unanimously approved and the motion carried.

E. Discussion and consideration of accepting Audit FY23.

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

F. Discussion and consideration of Jessica Jones attending a conference in Point Clear, Alabama.

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

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders & Other Business

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Reese made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Skelton seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 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/ Jessica Jones
Jessica Jones, City Clerk