

**March 7, 2022
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
1705 MAIN STREET
DAPHNE, AL
6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present Council President Joel Coleman called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tommie Conaway, Ron Scott, Benjamin Hughes, Doug Goodlin, Joel Coleman, Angie Phillips, and Steve Olen

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Patrick Dungan, City Attorney, Chief David Carpenter, Police; Troy Strunk, City Development; Chief LeAnn Tacon, Fire; Ronnie Huskey, Public Works; Kelli Reid, Finance; Betsy Schneider, Operations; Josh Newman, City Engineer; Tim White, Environmental; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources; Ange Baggett, Marketing; Tonja Young, Library; Charlie McDavid, Recreation; and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Reverend John Knox Foster, Christ Presbyterian Church.

RECOGNITION: Mayor LeJeune recognized the Daphne High School Girls' Wrestling Team for their accomplishment at the State Championship.

PUBLIC HEARING: Troy Strunk presented on the Revisions to the Official City of Daphne Zoning Map.

Public hearing opened at 6:11pm. No one came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:11pm.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the February 21, 2022 regular meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the minutes from the February 21st meeting were in the packet and the next meeting is March 21st at 4:30pm. She gave the Treasurer's Report for January 2022: Unrestricted Fund Balance - \$25,721,501; Total Cash Balance - \$40,345,848; Sales Tax for December 2021 - \$2,387,355; Lodging Tax for December 2021 - \$103,120.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Animal Arts Design Studios, Inc. for the design of the new Animal Shelter facility and to fund the agreement with funds from the Animal Shelter fund. No second was needed.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement for engineering services with Jade Consulting for the new Animal Shelter facility and to fund the agreement from funds from the Animal Shelter fund. No second was needed.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the March meeting has been cancelled and the next meeting is April 11th at 5:15pm.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Hughes said the minutes from the February meeting are in the packet and the next meeting is April 11th at 4:30pm.

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D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is April 4th at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the next meeting is April 4th at 5:15pm.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Adrienne Jones was absent.

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is March 17th at 5:30pm.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is March 15th at 4:30pm.

D. Library Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is March 10th at 4:30pm.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is March 24th at 5:00pm.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is March 9th at 6pm in the Jubilee Conference Room.

G. Utility Board

Councilman Coleman said Board met recently and the minutes from the January 2022 meeting are in the packet.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Participation opened at 6:17pm.

Rod Drummond, Ridgewood Drive, commended his Councilman and the Public Works Director for their work. He commented on the upcoming projects in Daphne and invited everyone to the White Elephant Yacht Club.

Victoria Phelps, Lake Forest, spoke on the passing of Ms. Tomasina Werner.

Willie McCampbell, Daphne City Parks Area, asked if a sidewalk can be installed near their residence.

Public Participation closed at 6:25pm.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor LeJeune spoke on the recent passing of Tomasina Werner. He said the Mardi Gras celebrations were successful. He reminded everyone of the upcoming SEEDS run and Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday and said the Bayfront Streetscape Bid Opening is March 15th.

8. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney said there was no report.

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9. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief Carpenter, Police, said Mardi Gras celebrations went well and spoke on the recent Friday night incident. Chief Tacon, Fire, thanked the Mayor for recently visiting the Fire Stations. She thanked Public Works for their recent donation of equipment to the Fire Department.

Ange Baggett, Marketing, reminded everyone of the upcoming Arbor Day Celebration and the April 9th Easter Egg Hunt at 9:00am.

Tonja Young, Library, shared about the upcoming history presentation.

Ronnie Huskey, Public Works, mentioned Arbor Day is coming up and reviewed the City's sidewalk plan.

Charlie McDavid, Recreation, said Spring sports have kicked off.

Troy Strunk, City Development, said the City of Saraland recently toured the Daphne Sports Complex and were very impressed.

Josh Newman, City Engineer, said the Ridgewood Drive sidewalk is open.

10. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

City Clerk shared the March Council Work Session as well as the March Public Safety Committee and Buildings and Property Committee Meetings were cancelled.

MOTION by Councilman Hughes to approve the Ballin' on Belrose on May 14, 2022 from 9:00am – 12:00pm on Belrose Avenue. Seconded by Councilman Scott.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve Mancini's Antique Club street closure of Belrose from Main Street to behind Mancini 5:00pm – 10:00pm for their St. Pat's Event on March 12, 2022. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

City Clerk asked for the motion regarding the Downtown Redevelopment Farmer's Market to be tabled and placed on the March Finance meeting. Council agreed.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the publication and set a public hearing on April 18, 2022 for the Red Barn, L.L.C., Pre-Zoning Amendment. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the publication and set a public hearing on April 18, 2022 for the Red Bar, L.L.C., Annexation Petition. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

A. RESOLUTIONS:

2022 – 08 – Revision to the Official City of Daphne Street Map

2022 – 09 – Resolution Authorizing the City of Daphne to Join the State of Alabama and Other Local Governments as Participants in the Endo Settlement

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MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Resolutions 2022-08 and 2022-09. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to adopt Resolution 2022-08. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2022-09. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin. City Attorney explained the resolution further.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES:

B. 2nd READ ORDINANCES:

2022 – 15 – Amending Ordinance 2020-22 – The Right-of-Way Ordinance Schedule of Right-of-Way Permit Fees

2022 – 16 – Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Burton Property Group, LLC to Convey Certain Real Property No Longer Needed for Public or Municipal Purposes Located at the Northeast Corner of Highway 98 and Lavender Lane

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Ordinances 2022-15 and 2022-16. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2022-15. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2022-16. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to suspend the rules to consider adopting Ordinance 2022-19. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.

City Clerk called roll.

Councilwoman Conaway Aye

Councilman Olen Aye

Councilman Goodlin Aye

Councilman Scott Aye

Councilman Hughes Aye

Councilwoman Phillips Aye

Council President Coleman Aye

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Ordinance 2022-19. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2022-19. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. 1ST READ ORDINANCES:

2022 – 17 – Appropriation: Mayday Park Pier Repair Plans and Specifications - \$12,500

2022 – 18 – Appropriation: Authorization to Enter into Agreement with Baldwin County Humane Society - \$7,000

2022 – 19 – Extension of Moratorium Established in Ordinance 2021-45

2022 – 20 – Revision to the Official City of Daphne Zoning Map

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilwoman Phillips thanked Chief Carpenter and the Police Dept for how they handled recent situations. She thanked Victoria Phelps for her words about Tomasina Werner.

Councilman Hughes said they are praying for Victoria and Tomasina’s families.

Councilman Scott said Tomasina Werner will be missed. He said he appreciates the City Staff for all they do.

Councilman Goodlin agreed about Ms. Werner being missed. He thanked Public Works for their work with Mardi Gras.

Councilman Olen thanked the Police Dept for how they handled the situation on Friday evening. He commended Public Works for their job with the Mardi Gras parades. He said City Staff is doing a great job.

Councilwoman Conaway thanked the Mayor for his work and reminded everyone of the Lupus Walk on March 19th.

Mayor LeJeune said he enjoyed his time at the Fire Department recently. He commended Chief Carpenter and staff for their work last Friday.

Council President Coleman said he was glad he got to attend the celebration for Ms. Tomasina Werner last Friday.

13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, CMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Joel Coleman, Council President