

**February 3, 2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
1705 MAIN STREET
DAPHNE, AL
6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present Council President Robin LeJeune called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tommie Conaway, Joel Coleman, Doug Goodlin, Robin LeJeune, Ron Scott, Angie Phillips and Pat Rudicell

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Jay Ross, City Attorney; Mayor Haygood; Kelli Reid, Finance Director; Conrad Bates, IT Director; Betsy Schneider, Operations Director; Jeremy Sasser, Public Works Director; Adrienne Jones, Planning Director; Chief Carpenter, Police Department; Vickie Hinman, HR Director; Troy Strunk, Director of City Development and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Pastor Jourdain Thrash, 3 Circle Church.

PRESENTATION: Mayor Haygood presented the Beautification Award to Tractor Supply Company. Monty Nichols, Tractor Supply Store Manager, accepted the award.

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

The minutes of the January 21, 2020 regular meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to renew the City's annual insurance policy with John A. Robertson Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$576,725. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to amend the budget to remove one full time Revenue Technician position and add one part-time administrative position for the Revenue Department and one part-time administrative position for the Building Inspection Department. Scott to adopt Resolutions 2020-03, 2020-04, 2020-05 and 2020-07. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips. Councilwoman Phillips shared that this will reduce employee costs with the positions being part-time. Mayor Haygood said the individual will cross train.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to reject the 2019-P-Pollard Road Sidewalk Project TAPAA-TA17 (933) bid and rebid the project with updated plans. Seconded by Councilman Coleman. Councilman Goodlin asked how long the rebid would take. Mayor Haygood said there are minor changes and should be quick. Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilwoman Conaway said the minutes from the January 21, 2020 meeting are in the packet. She said the Unrestricted Fund Balance for December 2019 was \$17,131,578; the Total Cash Balance for December 2019 was \$26,185,516; the Sales Tax for November 2019 was \$1,484,867 and the Lodging Tax for November 2019 was \$80,976.48.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the next meeting is February 10th at 5:15pm.

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C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is February 10th at 4:30pm.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the committee met earlier that day. They are making headway on the solid waste fund ordinance and district map for the upcoming voting. She said the committee meets the first Monday of the month at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the committee met earlier that day and discussed roadways and lighting. He said the Beautification Committee minutes from the January 8, 2020 meeting are in the packet.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Adrienne Jones presented on the two individuals for the Board of Zoning Adjustments.

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to reappoint Billy Mayhand to the Board of Zoning Adjustments for a 3 year term (March 2020 – 2023). Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to appoint Carolyn Courson to the Board of Zoning Adjustments as a regular member for a 3 year term. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to appoint Herb Cole as a supernumerary until May 2022. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting will be February 20th.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Rudicell said there is no report.

D. Library Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is February 13th at 4:30.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is February 27, 2020 at 5:00pm. He said the minutes from the regular meeting and the special called meeting on December 19, 2019 are in the packet.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is February 12th at 6:30pm.

G. Utility Board

Councilman LeJeune said the board met last Wednesday. He said they discussed tap fees at the Sports Complex. The next meeting is February 26th at 5:00pm.

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6. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haygood said the new principal for Belforest Elementary has been named. He welcomed Jonathan Ellis. He said the first tennis match at Lott Park was held the other day with Daphne High School. He said there was a fire that afternoon in Daphne at the Sea Cliff Condominiums. He thanked Daphne Fire Department and Daphne Police Department for their work at the incident.

7. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney asked the Council to enter into Executive Session at the end of the meeting. He said there was a matter of pending litigation to discuss. He suggested the meeting would last about 20 minutes and that the Council should come back out to adjourn because there may be a matter to vote on.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief Carpenter reminded everyone that Mardi Gras season has started. He reminded everyone of the upcoming parade on February 14th.

Troy Strunk shared that the Building Department had a vacancy with the recent retirement of Richard Merchant.

9. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the Daphne Witches' Ride on October 25, 2020 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the Rockin' for Recovery 5k and 1 mile fun run on April 18, 2020 from 7:45am – 1:00pm hosted by The Shoulder Women's Facility. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the Manci's Antique Club St. Pat's Block Party on March 14, 2020 from 5:00pm – 11:00pm located at 1715 Main Street, Daphne, AL. Seconded by Councilman Coleman. Councilman Rudicell asked how late the music would be that evening. City Clerk stated that the application said 11:00pm. She said typically if they have a permit, this allows them to go over the Noise Ordinance time of 10:00pm.

Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Rudicell	Nay
Councilman Coleman	Aye
Councilman Goodlin	Aye
Councilman Scott	Aye
Councilman LeJeune	Aye
Councilwoman Phillips	Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the 140 – Special Events Retail License to OManci's St. Patrick's Block Party located at 1715 Main Street, Vacant Lot, Daphne, Alabama. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the publication and set a public hearing on March 16, 2020 for the Revision of the Official City of Daphne Zoning Map. Seconded by Councilman Scott.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

City Clerk reminded everyone that the census is this year and to be on the lookout for further information.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Participation opened at 7:06pm.

Tom Gilder, Daphne High School Band Boosters, invited everyone to the Eastern Shore Classic Golf Tournament. He provided handouts for the Council.

Taylor Wilkins, 27485 Main Street, brought to the Council's attention some property behind the Nicholson Center and questioned who owned the property.

Victoria Phelps, Worchester Drive, shared her concerns about the speeding on Bayview Drive.

Public Participation closed at 7:15pm.

11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

2020-08 – Declare Certain Property Surplus and Authorize the Mayor to Dispose of Such Property – 2007 Ford Expedition

2020-09 – Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Trust of the City of Daphne for Certain Post-Employment Benefits

2020-10 – Supporting the Eastern Shore MPO Resolution 2020-06 in Support of a Proposed Scope Across Mobile River and Mobile Bay

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Resolutions 2020-08, 2020-09 and 2020-10.
Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolutions 2020-08. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2020-09. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
Councilman Scott clarified that this Resolution applies to employees who have worked so long for the City, retired, then the City pays their medical until they reach the age of Medicare.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2020-10. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
Mayor Haygood shared the MPO has suggested an expressway. Councilman Rudicell said the whatever the decision is that the MPO needs to make sure they watch out for the citizens.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ORDINANCES:

2nd READ:

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1st READ:

2020-08 – Establishing Polling Places

2020-09 – Appropriation: \$500,000 from Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Fund

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Haygood congratulated the Trojan Dance Team for placing first in a competition in Orlando recently.

Councilwoman Conaway said the Education Advisory Committee will be on February 17th at 10:00am at the new Daphne Virtual School.

Councilman Goodlin said the Council is currently reviewing voting districts and will let everyone know in the near future what is decided. He thanked the City of Daphne for the donation of chairs to the High School.

Councilwoman Phillips thanked everyone for coming. She thanked the band boosters for coming to share. She thanked the Downtown Redevelopment Authority for coming to update the Council.

Councilman LeJeune said he enjoyed the first tennis match at Lott Park. He asked Councilman Coleman to share with the Recreation Board about the upcoming tennis match and to discuss with them seating at the park.

City Attorney asked the City Council to enter into an Executive Session concerning matters of pending litigation. He said it should take 20-25 minutes. He said it may be appropriate to come out of Executive Session to adjourn due to there may be a matter to vote on.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to enter into executive session. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Coleman	Aye
Councilman Goodlin	Aye
Councilman Scott	Aye
Councilman Rudicell	Aye
Councilwoman Phillips	Aye
Councilman LeJeune	Aye
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.	

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:50pm.

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to enter into a settlement agreement regarding the two pending federal lawsuits with no monetary consideration being paid by the City. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:51PM.

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Respectfully submitted by,

Candace G. Antinarella
Candace G. Antinarella, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,

Robin LeJeune
Robin LeJeune, Council President