

**February 15, 2021  
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 Doug Goodlin called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

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

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joel Coleman

**Also Present:** Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Mayor LeJeune; Missty Gray, City Attorney; Chief Tacon, Fire Department; Jud Beedy, Police Department; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources; Ronnie Huskey, Public Works; and Adrienne Jones, Community Development.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation was given by Pastor Mike Megginson, 3 Circle Church.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Adrienne Jones gave an update on the proposed amendments to Ordinance 2011-54, Land Use and Development Ordinance, Articles 16, Parking Requirements for All Districts, and Article 8, Definition of Terms.

Public hearing opened at 6:35pm. No one came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:36pm.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Adrienne Jones presented on the Burris – Warner, L.L.C. Zoning Amendment request.

Public hearing opened at 6:37pm. No one came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed at 6:38pm.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes from the February 1, 2021 regular meeting were approved.

**4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**A. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councilwoman Conaway said the Committee met that afternoon. The Financial Report will be given at the next Council meeting.

**B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Councilwoman Phillips said the minutes from the January 11, 2021 meeting were in the packet. The next meeting will be March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Dewberry Engineers for the Lavender Lane Contract. A Second was not needed.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Councilman Hughes said the minutes from the January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting were in the packet. He said the next meeting is March 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.

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**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to create a part-time Corrections Officer position for the Daphne Police Department. A Second was not needed.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councilman Olen said the Committee met earlier in the month. He said the next meeting is March 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30pm.

**E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Councilman Coleman was absent. Council President Goodlin said the minutes from the January 4<sup>th</sup> meeting were in the packet.

**5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

**A. Board of Zoning Adjustments**

Mrs. Jones said the minutes from the January 7, 2021 meeting and the summarization from the February 4, 2021 meeting were in the packet. She said BZA was still in need of members.

**B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority**

Councilwoman Conaway said the Downtown Redevelopment Authority will meet on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

**C. Industrial Development Board**

Councilman Scott said there have been a few meetings and the Board is working with the City Attorney to create the covenants for the DISC project. The City Clerk said the IDB cancelled the meeting previously scheduled for tomorrow.

**D. Library Board**

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is March 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:30. She said the Library is still finding ways to accommodate the citizens during the pandemic. She shared of recent events the Library hosted.

**E. Planning Commission**

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

**F. Recreation Board**

Councilman Hughes said the Board met this past Wednesday. He said the Board appointed Brad Osborne as the President of the Board. He said the Board will present the Parks and Recreation Proposal at the next Council Work Session.

**G. Utility Board**

Councilman Goodlin said the minutes from the November 2020 meeting were in the packet. He said the next meeting is February 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

**6. MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor LeJeune said OWA has postponed tomorrow's vaccinations due to inclement weather. It has been rescheduled for Friday. He said 17 out of 85 police officers have received vaccines and 18 out of 54 firefighters have received vaccines. He said the Civic Center reached out to the Mardi Gras group, Shadow Barons, and were able to get two floats from the Shadow Barons to celebrate "Yardi Gras".

**7. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:**

City Attorney said there was no report.

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**8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:**

Jud Beedy, Police, shared about two car chases over the weekend. He said they were in the process of hiring and promoting in the wake of Captain Taylor retiring after 30 years of service.

Chief Tacon, Fire Department, said they have started the process for new hires. She said they should be hiring 9 individuals. She said they have purchased a stair stepper for the department. She said they have had zoom meetings recently with Baldwin County EMA regarding Hazmat training.

Ronnie Huskey, Public Works, said they are working on closing out the Fire Station 5 project. He said the Street Department has checked the streets and drainages in preparation of the freeze. Council President Goodlin gave kudos to the Public Works Department for their work on the drainage at the Whispering Pines roundabout.

Adrienne Jones, Planning, said they have secured training for the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Adjustments members. She said they are close to finalizing the Comprehensive Plan. She said they are close to issuing a certificate of occupancy for Fire Station 5.

**9. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the publication and set a public hearing on April 5, 2021 for the Destiny Church International, Inc. proposed Zoning Amendment. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the street closure for the Manci's Antique Club St. Pat's Block Party located at 1715 Main Street, Daphne, on March 13, 2021 from 5:00pm – 10:00pm. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.**

**Aye – Goodlin, Scott, Phillips, Hughes                      Nay – Conaway, Olen**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Public Participation opened at 6:58pm.

Curt Fonger, 1443 Randall Avenue, spoke in favor of the new Council Rules and Procedures, Ordinance 2021-10. He said he appreciates that the Ordinance is limiting presentations and citizens sharing to 3 minutes. He said he doesn't like that public participation is being moved up on the agenda.

Councilman Goodlin said he thinks the reason that public participation is being considered to be moved up is to allow the Mayor and Council the opportunity to respond to items that citizens might discuss during public participation.

Public Participation closed at 7:05pm.

**11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

**A. RESOLUTIONS:**

**2021 – 03 – Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter into a Cooperative Maintenance Agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for the City's Maintenance of Certain Structures within the State's Right – of – Way**

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**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to waive the reading of Resolution 2021-03. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Resolution 2021-03. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ORDINANCES:**

**B. 2<sup>nd</sup> READ ORDINANCES:**

**2021 – 06 – Appropriation: Police Vehicle Replacement - \$24,911**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Ordinance 2021-06. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to adopt Ordinance 2021-06. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. 1<sup>ST</sup> READ ORDINANCES:**

**2021 – 07 – Appropriation for Hurricane Zeta Damage: Boardwalks and Bay Access - \$108,500**

**2021 – 08 – Amending the City of Daphne, Alabama Land Use and Development Ordinance 2011-54, Article XVI, Parking Requirements for All Districts and Article 8, Definition of Terms**

**2021 – 09 – Re-Zone Property Located Northeast of the Intersection of Ryan Avenue and Main Street**

**2021 – 10 – Council Rules and Procedures**

**12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilwoman Phillips said she hopes Mr. Fonger or any citizens never feel that their comments are an annoyance because the Council appreciates the feedback. She said her thoughts and prayers are with those who are affected by the pandemic.

Councilman Scott said his wife successfully received her first shot of the vaccine. He said he appreciates Mr. Olen's review of the Dewberry contract.

Councilman Hughes said if anyone knew someone who was at risk during this upcoming freeze to check on them.

Councilwoman Conaway said the Education Advisory Committee will meet Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00am in the Jubilee Conference Room.

Mayor LeJeune asked everyone to remember their pets during the cold. He said it was his suggestion to move public participation up on the agenda in hopes that it would allow the Council to respond to citizens' questions or concerns.

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Councilman Goodlin thanked the Baldwin County Board of Education for taking on the task to get vaccinations to teachers.

**13. ADJOURN:**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

  
Candace G. Antinarella, CMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,

  
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Doug Goodlin, Council President