

**March 2, 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 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

COUNCIL MEMBER ABSENT: Pat Rudicell

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Jay Ross, City Attorney; Mayor Haygood; Kelli Reid, Finance Director; BJ Eringman, Public Works Deputy Director; Adrienne Jones, Planning Director; Chief Carpenter, Police Department; Kenny Hanak, Fire Department; Ange Baggett, Marketing and Recreation Director; Vickie Hinman, HR Director; Troy Strunk, Director of City Development and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Father Tuck Bowen, St. Stephen's Charismatic Episcopal Church.

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

The minutes of the February 17, 2020 regular meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the minutes from the February 17th meeting are in the packet. She said the Treasurer's Report for January 2020 is: Unrestricted Fund Balance - \$18,564,089; Total Cash Balance - \$28,047,107; December 2019 Sales Tax - \$1,865,393; December 2019 Lodging Tax - \$70,666.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the next meeting is March 9th at 5:15pm.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is March 9th at 4:30pm. He asked Councilman Goodlin if he would chair the meeting since he will be out of town that week.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the committee met that afternoon. She said the next meeting is April 6th at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the committee met that afternoon and received an update on the D'Olive Bay Dredging Project. He said the next meeting is April 6th at 5:30pm.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Adrienne Jones said there was no report.

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B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to appoint Monica Kurth to the Downtown Redevelopment Authority for a six year term from March 2020 – March 2026. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is March 19th at 5:30pm.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Rudicell was absent.

D. Library Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the Board meets again on March 12, 2020 at 4:30pm. She said it was good to see Ms. Young back at work.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is March 26, 2020 at 5:00pm. He said there is a site plan up for approval.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is March 11, 2020 at 6:30pm.

G. Utility Board

Councilman LeJeune said the Board met last week and had great discussion.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haygood introduced the new Building Official, Eric Butler. Mayor Haygood shared about the upcoming 2020 Census and encouraged everyone to take part. He said this will be the first digital census.

7. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney asked the Council to enter into Executive Session at the end of the meeting. He said there were two brief matters to discuss. He updated the Council on the Fanning Lawsuit. He discussed releasing the money.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

No report from the Fire Department.

Chief Carpenter, Police Department, said that Mardi Gras is officially over and he is happy to report there were no major incidents.

Ange Baggett, Marketing, reminded the Council that the City's Arbor Day event is coming up on Saturday, March 7th.

Tonja Young, Library, updated the Council on recent classes held at the Library such as the safe boating classes and the safe driving classes.

BJ Eringman, Public Works, thanked the Public Works Department, Fire Department and Police Department for making it a safe Mardi Gras season. He reminded everyone of the upcoming SEEDS run on Saturday morning.

Councilman LeJeune asked the Council if they would like to cancel the March Work Session, Public Safety meeting and Building and Properties meeting since so many of the Council will be at the National League of Cities Conference next week.

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**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to cancel the March Council Work Session, Public Safety Meeting and Building and Properties Meeting all scheduled for March 9, 2020. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to call a Special Called Council meeting on March 23, 2020 at 5:00pm to conduct Fire Chief interviews. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the Shephard's Flock Run for Shep on January 23, 2021 from 9:00am – 11:30am. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Public Participation opened at 6:50pm.

Victoria Phelps, Lake Forest, said it was good news on the Marina Dredging Project, asked about grants for a possible kayak launch and encouraged the City to continue with annexation on Highway 181.

Amanda Newsome, 213 Ridgewood Drive, shared her concerns about the Daphne Animal Shelter.

Curt Fonger, 1443 Randall Avenue, commended the comments of the Mayor on the upcoming 2020 Census. He asked the Council what was being constructed at the property on US 98 by Wacky Shrimp.

Public Participation closed at 6:59pm.

11. **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

RESOLUTIONS:

2020-12 – D'Olive Bay Boat Channel Dredging Project – Bid Award: M.D. Thomas Construction LLC

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to waive the reading of Resolution 2020-12. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to adopt Resolution 2020-12. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ORDINANCES:

2nd READ:

1st READ:

2020-10 – Appropriation: D'Olive Bay Boat Channel Dredging Project - \$10,000

2020-11 – Appropriation: Village Point Pier Repairs - \$45,000

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12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Haygood commented on Mr. Fonger's question concerning what is being erected on a piece of property by stating it is a part of the Eastern Shore MPO.

Councilwoman Conaway said the Education Advisory Committee will meet on March 23, 2020 at 11:00am.

Councilman Goodlin shared that there is a lot of research and work going in to helping with the animal shelter.

Councilman Scott asked the City Clerk to get a list of all individuals who have expressed concerns about the Animal Shelter. He reminded everyone tomorrow is Election Day and to get out and vote.

Councilwoman Phillips welcomed Eric Butler to the City. She thanked Ms. Newsome for coming out and expressing her concerns about the Animal Shelter. She thanked Mr. Fonger for his comment on the Census.

Councilman LeJeune said the City is working towards fixing the animal shelter. He reminded everyone to participate in the Census.

City Attorney certified that the Council should enter into an Executive Session concerning matters of pending litigation as well as the buying and selling of real property. He said it should take 15 minutes. He said there should be no reason the Council should have to come out of Executive Session to vote and recommended they adjourn the meeting to enter into Executive Session.

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

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

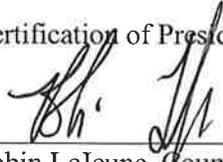
13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:10PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, CMC
City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Robin LeJeune, Council President