

**March 6, 2023
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 Angie Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Joel Coleman and Benjamin Hughes

Also Present: Jay Ross, City Attorney; Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Mayor LeJeune; Chief Brian Gulsby, Police; Troy Strunk, City Development; Chief Tacon, Fire; Ronnie Huskey, Public Works; Ange Baggett, Marketing; Tonja Young, Library; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources; Charlie McDavid, Recreation; Kelli Reid, Finance; Adrienne Jones, Planning; Sunny Blackwood, Junior City Councilmember; Maren Fagan, Junior City Councilmember; Abby English, Junior City Councilmember; Daniel Hill, Junior City Councilmember; Gracie Robinson, Junior City Councilmember; and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Pastor Jeff Gardner, Daphne Baptist Church.

PRESENTATION: Chief Tacon recognized the following Daphne Fire Department Firefighters recently promoted to Apparatus Engineers: Caleb Antinarella, Allen Boutwell, John Ellis, Grant Everhart, Eric Fontaine, Joseph Greer, Frank Holbein, Hunter Kyser, Gerald Lanier, Dexter Lyon, Adam Ogletree and Jacob Van Blake.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Scott gave corrections to the minutes to correct the Ordinance from 2023-11 to 2023-09 as well as remove Ordinance 2023-11 from consideration on tonight's agenda as it had previously been adopted on February 20, 2023. He also stated that the Planning Minutes included in the evening's packet were incorrect, but the correct Planning Commission minutes were distributed before the meeting that evening.

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the February 6, 2023 minutes as corrected. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the minutes from the February 20th meeting were in the packet and gave the Treasurer's Report for January 2023: Unrestricted Fund Balance - \$30,322,703, Total Cash Balance - \$47,264,165, Sales Tax for December 2022 - \$2,645,542, Lodging Tax for December 2022 - \$97,826, Excess Reserve Balance - \$16,559,869, Debt Summary for January 2023: Warrants - \$26,410,794, Capital Leases General Fund - \$920,437, Enterprise Fund - \$969,782.

**MOTION by Councilman Goodlin to reject the 2023-D-Jail Locking System bid and rebid since the bid received was over budget. No second was needed.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Goodlin to authorize the Mayor to sign the Lease Agreement for a 2023 Caterpillar 305-070CR Excavator. No second was needed.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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MOTION by Councilman Goodlin to include the Cyber policy with 2023 AMIC insurance renewal policy with the \$5,000 deductible without the extended reporting period in the amount of \$2,145. No second was needed.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman was absent. Council President Phillips said the next meeting is March 13th.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Hughes was absent. Council President Phillips said the minutes from the February meeting were in the packet.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Olen said the Committee met earlier and the next meeting is April 3rd at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the committee met earlier and the next meeting is April 3rd at 5:15pm.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to reimburse 68 Ventures for the title insurance in the amount of \$1,767. No second was needed. Councilman Olen said he is opposed to this.

Aye – Scott, Phillips and Conaway Nay – Olen and Goodlin

MOTION CARRIED.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said the Board still have one opening for an alternate position.

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is March 16th at 5:30pm.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is March 21st at 4:30pm.

D. Library Board

Councilman Goodlin said the next meeting is March 10th at 4:30pm.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is March 23rd at 5:00pm.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman Hughes was absent.

G. Utility Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is March 29th at 6:00pm.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Participation opened at 6:21pm.

No one came forward to speak. Public Participation closed at 6:21pm.

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7. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor LeJeune congratulated those who received promotions in the Fire Department. He thanked all City Staff who helped with Arbor Day the past Saturday and shared that pro tennis player visited the Daphne Pickleball Courts that afternoon.

8. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney said there was no report.

9. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief Gulsby, Police, said they are swearing in two new officers.

Chief Tacon, Fire, shared the Fire Department's 2022 training hours.

Ange Baggett, Marketing, shared upcoming events at the Civic Center.

Vickie Hinman, Human Resources, shared about the upcoming employee training and congratulated Melanie Cotton on her certification.

Charlie McDavid, Recreation, shared about recent sporting events and upcoming tournaments.

Adrienne Jones, Planning updated the Council on new application for Planning Commission consideration.

10. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

MOTION by Councilman Scott to appoint Mayor LeJeune as voting delegate and Councilman Goodlin as first alternate for Alabama League of Municipalities Annual Business Meeting on May 12, 2023.

**Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the Mancini's St. Pat's Block Party road closure at the corner of Belrose Avenue and Main Street on March 18, 2023 from 5:00pm – 10:00pm. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Nextstage Design for Bayfront Park. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

City Clerk shared with the Council that she'll be meeting with SARPC on Wednesday to discuss redistricting.

11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

A. RESOLUTIONS:

2023 – 09 – 2023-B-Street Resurfacing-Asphalt Services Inc.-Negotiated: Bid Award

2023 – 10 – 2023-H-Traffic Signal Poles with Mast Arms for Lavender Lane and Hwy 98 – Southern Lighting and Traffic Systems

2023 – 11 – K-Crew Cab Truck – Negotiated: Bid Award

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to waive the reading of Resolutions 2023-09, 2023-10 and 2023-11. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Resolution 2023-09. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Resolution 2023-10. Seconded by Councilman Scott.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Resolution 2023-11. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ORDINANCES:

B. 2nd READ ORDINANCES:

2023 – 11 – Ordinance to Amend the Land Use and Development Ordinance 2011-54, Article 31 – Home Occupations, Automobile Service Stations, Cemeteries, Bed and Breakfast Establishments, Extended Stay Hotel Facilities; and Article 35 – Table of Permitted Uses

2023 – 12 – Additional Appropriation: Lake Shore Drive Drainage Improvements Project - \$117,516

2023 – 13 – Ordinance to Amend Section 6.1 of the City’s Employee Handbook

Council President Phillips reminded the Council that Ordinance 2023-11 was not to be considered as it had accidentally been placed on the agenda though it had been adopted on February 20, 2023.

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Ordinance 2023-12. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2023-12. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2023-13. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1ST READ ORDINANCES:

2023 – 14 – Council Rules and Procedures

2023 – 15 – Appropriation: Infirmary Building Improvements - \$85,050

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilwoman Conaway congratulated the recent Fire Department Promotions and reminded everyone the 10th Annual Lupus Awareness Walk is on March 18, 2023 at 8:00am.

Councilman Olen said the Arbor Day Celebration was a success. He reminded everyone the Daphne Public School Commission will meet on March 21st at 6:00pm. He reiterated a recent comment he made regarding Lake Forest POA representing their citizens.

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Councilman Goodlin congratulated the recent Fire Department Promotions.

Councilman Scott wished the University of South Alabama good luck.

Mayor LeJeune reminded everyone that SEEDS Crawfish for the Classroom fundraiser was this upcoming Saturday.

Council President Phillips thanked Chief Tacon for bringing the driver's position to Daphne and thanked everyone for their support in the recent loss of a loved one.

13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, CMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Angie Phillips, Council President