

**September 5, 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, Angie Phillips, Steve Olen, Ron Scott, Benjamin Hughes and Doug Goodlin

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Joel Coleman

Also Present: Patrick Dungan, City Attorney; Mayor LeJeune; Chief Brian Gulsby, Police; Troy Strunk, City Development; Chief Tacon, Fire; Adrienne Jones, Planning; Ronnie Huskey, Public Works; Ange Baggett, Marketing; Josh Newman, City Engineer; Troy Capstraw, Junior Councilmember; Kent Ward, Junior Councilmember; Abby English, Junior Councilmember; Daniel Hill, Junior Councilmember; Trinity Lofton, Junior Councilmember; Gracie Robinson, Junior Councilmember (arrived 6:17pm); and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Pastor Andrew Tewell, Lighthouse Baptist Church.

RECOGNITION: Mayor LeJeune presented certificates of recognition to Don Ruble and Niki Coker for their time on the Industrial Development Board.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the August 21, 2023 regular meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the minutes from the August 21st meeting were in the packet and gave the Treasurer's Report for July 2023: Unrestricted Fund Balance-\$27,540,601; Total Cash Balance-\$41,007,773; Sales tax for June 2023 - \$2,415,350.44; Lodging Tax for June 2023-\$175,558.12; Excess Reserve Balance - \$17,521,154; Debt Summary for July 2023: Warrants-\$24,650,442; Capital Leases: General Fund-\$741,029; Enterprise Fund -\$800,417.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman was absent.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is September 11th at 4:30pm.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is October 2nd at 4:30pm.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is October 2nd at 5:15pm.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said there was no report.

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B. Daphne Public School Commission

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is September 25th at 5:30pm and will be held at Belforest Elementary.

C. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is September 21st at 5:30pm.

D. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Scott said the next meeting September 19th at 4:30pm.

E. Library Board

Councilman Goodlin said the next meeting September 14th at 4:30pm.

F. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the minutes from the July 27th meeting and the report from the August 24th meeting are in the packet and the next meeting is September 28th at 5:00pm.

G. Recreation Board

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is September 13th at 6pm.

H. Utility Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is September 27th at 5:00pm.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

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

Public Participation closed at 6:11pm.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor LeJeune shared that the next Coffee with the Mayor is September 26th at 9am. He thanked Daphne Utilities for helping Fairhope Water recently. He mentioned the passing of Ed Kirby and asked everyone to keep his family in your prayers.

8. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney mentioned the agenda had a Warrants Ordinance and asked the Council to consider suspending the rules in order to adopt the specific ordinance.

9. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief Gulsby, Police, mentioned there were 5 traffic related accidents on Labor Day and that James Rivers will be retiring soon after 25 years at the City of Daphne.

Chief Tacon, Fire, thanked the Mayor for allowing her to attend a class recently. She mentioned they had some upcoming retirements in the department.

Ange Baggett, Marketing, said the Governor's Conference was last weekend and the Daphne Tourism meeting is coming up soon. Councilman Scott asked if the Brown Bag by the Bay will continue and she said yes.

Charlie McDavid, Recreation, said fall sports have begun.

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Adrienne Jones, Planning, mentioned Mr. Kirby had been a long-time member of the Planning Commission. She said the City will hold a virtual meeting on the Comprehensive Plan on September 14th and Orion will be presenting on October 4th at 5:00pm.

Josh Newman, Engineer, reminded everyone that the Bay access is closed at the end of Belrose.

10. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to approve the SEEDS Crawfish for the Classroom Event on March 9, 2024 from 4:00pm – 7:00pm locate3d at 1705 Main Street, Daphne. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin. Councilman Olen said he had concerns regarding this event selling alcohol on City Hall property. Aye – Conaway, Goodlin, Scott, Hughes, Phillips Nay – Olen
MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the Eastern Shore Children's Business Fair on October 28, 2023 from 10:00am – 1:00pm located at Centennial Park. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to approve the Daphne High School Homecoming Parade at 6:00pm on September 28, 2023. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED. Councilman Goodlin abstained.**

11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

A. RESOLUTIONS:

2023 – 44 – Appropriation: Palmetto Court Drainage Improvements - \$95,665

2023 – 45 – Resolution Declaring Certain Personal Property Surplus and Authorizing the Mayor to Dispose of Such Property – Chevy Tahoes, GMC Dump Truck, Asphalt Roller

2023 – 46 – 2023-X-Park Chemicals: Bid Award – FIS Outdoor

2023 – 47 – 2023-V-Ruff Wilson Roof Repair Project: Bid Award – Dobson Sheet Metal and Roofing

2023 – 48 – Appropriation: Civic Center Chiller Repair - \$353,250

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Resolutions 2023-44, 2023-45, 2023-46, 2023-47 and 2023-48. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2023-44. Seconded Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2023-45. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2023-46. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2023-47. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2023-48. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. ORDINANCES:

2nd READ ORDINANCES:

2023 – 31 – Ordinance to Pre-Zone Property Located Northeast of the intersection of Pollard Road and County Road 64 – O’Gwynn Properties, L.L.C.

2023 – 32 – Ordinance to Annex Property Contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the City of Daphne – Property Located Northeast of the intersection of Pollard Road and County Road 64 – O’Gwynn Properties, L.L.C.

2023 – 33 – Ordinance to Amend the City of Daphne’s Employee Handbook – Sections 5.1, 7.2 and 10.3)

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to waive the reading of Ordinances 2023-31, 2023-32 and 2023-33. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2023-31. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2023-32. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to adopt Ordinance 2023-33. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1ST READ ORDINANCES:

2023 – 34 – Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Warrants – Series 2023-A

2023 – 35 – Adopting the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to suspend the rules in order to consider the adoption of Ordinance 2023-34. Seconded by Councilman Olen.
Assistant City Clerk called roll.**

Councilwoman Conaway	Aye
Councilman Olen	Aye
Councilman Coleman	Absent
Councilman Goodlin	Aye
Councilman Scott	Aye
Councilman Hughes	Aye
Council President Phillips	Aye

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Ordinance 2023-34. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2023-34. Seconded by Councilman Hughes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mayor LeJeune said that the Eastern Shore Children's Business Fair is a great event.

Council President Phillips thanked all who have joined for the meeting.

13. **ADJOURN:**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:35PM.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, CMC, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Angie Phillips, Council President