

August 18, 2025
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 Ron Scott called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

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

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Patrick Dungan, City Attorney; Mayor LeJeune; Chief Brian Gulsby, Police; Chief Tacon, Fire; Emmie Powell, Library; Kelli Reid, Finance; Bobby Purvis, Public Works; Troy Strunk, City Development; Andy Bobe, City Engineer; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources; Ange Baggett, Marketing/Tourism; Adrienne Jones, Planning; Schuyler Smith, Junior City Councilmember; Amber Lue, Junior City Councilmember; Isabella New, Junior City Councilmember; Lakyn Coggin, Junior City Councilmember; and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Daphne Firefighter Thomas Clark.

3. **PRESENTATION:**

Chief Gulsby, Mayor LeJeune and Chief Corrections' Officer Kennedy presented the Daphne police Department's Life Saving Award to Corrections Officer Brandon Jackson.

PROMOTION: Chief Gulsby and Mayor LeJeune recognized Abigail Butler's recent promotion to Telecommunicator II.

RECOGNITION: Mayor LeJeune recognized the Daphne 12U Baseball Champions.

4. **APPROVE THE MINUTES:**

The minutes from the August 8, 2025 regular meeting were approved.

5. **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is September 15th at 4:30pm.

B. **BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Councilman Goodlin said minutes from the July 14th meeting are in the packet and the next meeting is September 8th at 5:15pm.

**MOTION by Councilman Goodlin to authorize the City Clerk to send an initial 20-day letter for abatement of a dangerous building located at 7475 Dale Road, Daphne, AL. No second was needed.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Goodlin to authorize the City Clerk to send an initial 20-day letter for abatement of a dangerous building located at 905 Daphne Avenue, Daphne, AL. No second was needed.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is September 8th at 4:30pm.

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D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

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

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

6. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Mrs. Jones said the next meeting is September 4th at 6:00pm and there are two applications for consideration.

B. Daphne Public School Commission

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting will be August 25th at 5:30pm.

C. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

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

D. Industrial Development Board

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

E. Library Board

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

F. Planning Commission

Councilman Olen said the next meeting is August 28th at 5:00pm.

G. Recreation Board

Councilman Hughes said the next meeting is September 10th at 6:00pm.

H. Utility Board

Councilman Coleman said the minutes from the June meeting are in the packet and the next meeting is August 27th at 5:00pm.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public participation opened at 6:17pm.

Zachary Catcher, 710 Delachase Court, expressed his concern about the potential development near Van Avenue.

Mrs. Jones, Planning, clarified the application for the property and gave information regarding when the public would be able to express their concerns at a Planning Commission meeting.

Daniel Johnson, 1401 Main Street, said he is also concerned about the potential development especially since it is already a congested intersection.

Ann Hartwell, 715 Delachase Court, said she wants to make sure it is on record that there are individuals concerned about the potential development near Van Avenue.

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Jonathan Tillman, 808 Van Avenue, expressed his concerns regarding the potential development at Van Avenue.

Public participation closed at 6:32pm.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor LeJeune encouraged citizens to write letters expressing their concerns because these letters are shared with Committee members or Councilmembers and go into minutes of meetings. He reminded everyone the upcoming election is August 26th and said the Eastern Shore Republican's Women group will be holding a candidate forum on Tuesday at 4:00pm.

9. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

City Attorney said there was no report.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief Tacon, Fire, said Engine 1 should be arriving soon and the Fire Department is participating in a public safety job fair on Tuesday.

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

Emmie Powell, Library, said September is Library Card month and encouraged all to renew their cards or open a card. She shared about new programs at the Library.

Bobby Purvis, Public Works, shared about a recent tree that had fallen across Highway 98 and commended Josh Burkett and his team for their quick work clearing the road.

Charlie McDavid, Recreation, said the Senior Center recently held their monthly bingo, shared about animal shelter adoption updates and said they will be offering pickleball and tennis lessons soon.

Kelli Reid, Finance, gave an update on the FY 2026 budget.

Schuyler Smith, Junior City Councilmember, said the group recently had a two-day tour of the City and that they will be determining their meeting schedule soon.

11. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

City Clerk gave information regarding the upcoming election on August 26th at the Civic Center.

**MOTION by Councilman Olen to approve the Miles for Heroes 5k run/walk on November 1, 2025 from 8:00 – 9:00am. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Coleman to set a public hearing on September 2, 2025 for the abatement of nuisance property located at 505 Van Avenue, Daphne, Alabama. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12. RESOLUTIONS:

- A. 2025 - 56 - Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for the Bridge Replacement over D'Olive Creek on Bayview Drive**

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- B. 2025 - 57 - Appropriation: ALDOT Project #ATRP2 02-2022-171: Widen, Resurface, Turn Lane Addition and Strip US-90 Section**
- C. 2025 - 58 - 2025-D-Milton Jones Road Extension - Bid Award: Rob Middleton Construction, LLC**
- D. 2025 - 59 - Appropriation: Milton Jones Road Extension - \$500,000**
- E. 2025 - 60 - Resolution to Repeal Resolution 2018-01 Regarding a Tobacco Surcharge for Employee Health Insurance Participation**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-56. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-56. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-57. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-57. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolutions 2025-58 and 2025-59. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-58. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-59. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to waive the reading of Resolution 2025-60. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Resolution 2025-60. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

13. 2ND READ ORDINANCES:

- A. 2025 - 16 - Ordinance Amending the City of Daphne's Community Standards Ordinance 2013-38 - Tattoo Studios**

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MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to waive the reading of Ordinance 2025-16. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Hughes to adopt Ordinance 2025-16. Seconded by Councilwoman Phillips.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. **1ST READ ORDINANCES:**

15. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Olen reminded everyone to get out and vote on August 26th.

Councilman Coleman congratulated Officer Jackson for his recognition and the baseball team.

Councilman Hughes congratulated Officer Jackson on his recognition.

Councilwoman Phillips commended the Council for how well they have worked together and spoke on the recent loss in the community.

Council President Scott commented on the recent loss in the community.

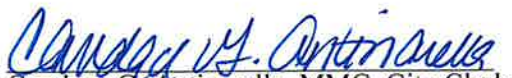
Mayor LeJeune said to remember the first responders who work in those difficult situations and to remember the family as they deal with the aftermath. He thanked the Council for approving the Milton Jones Road Extension.

16. **ADJOURN:**

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:57PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Candace G. Antinarella, MMC, City Clerk


Ron Scott, Council President