

**June 4, 2018
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
1705 MAIN STREET
DAPHNE, AL
6:30 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present Councilwoman Conaway called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Joe Davis

Also Present: Mayor Dane Haygood; Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Brandy Volovecky, Assistant City Clerk; Jay Ross, City Attorney; Ashley Campbell, Environmental Programs Manager; David Carpenter, Police Chief; Patrick Dungan, City Attorney; BJ Eringman, Deputy Public Works Director; Kristie Green, Administrative Assistant, Daphne Police Department; Vickie Hinman, Human Resources Director; Ronnie Huskey, Facilities Director; Adrienne Jones, Planning Director; Kelli Kichler, Finance Director/Treasurer; David McKelroy, Recreation Director; Betsy Schneider, Operations Director; Troy Strunk, Executive Director, City Development; James White, Fire Chief; Tonja Young, Library Director

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation was given by Reverend Rich Mueller, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

PROCLAMATION: Gabrielle “Brie” Clark

Mayor Haygood read the Proclamation on behalf of the City Council and himself. Council President Conaway said Ms. Clark was one of her students at Daphne East Elementary School and she is very proud of her. Mayor Haygood said that in addition to her athletic accomplishments, Ms. Clark’s work ethic and community involvement are a testament to her character.

PROCLAMATION: Lt. Kenny Hempfleng – Presentation of Service Weapon

Chief Carpenter provided background on Lt. Hempfleng and said the Daphne Police Department was lucky to have him. With Lt. Hempfleng’s 30 years of service, the Daphne Police Department has lost 130 years of experience recently due to retirements.

Mayor Haygood read the Proclamation on behalf of the City Council and himself. Mayor Haygood thanked Lt. Hempfleng for his service and said he has left his mark on the Daphne Police Department and the City of Daphne. Chief Carpenter presented Lt. Hempfleng with his service weapon.

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 21, 2018 regular meeting and May 23, 2018 special called meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Rudicell provided a brief overview of the financial reports.

MOTION to authorize the Mayor to enter into the Interlocal Agreement for the Acceptance and Processing of Source Separated Recyclables with Emerald Coast Utilities Authority (special district formed by the Florida Legislature).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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MOTION to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Daphne Volunteer Firefighters Association, Inc. for the loan for the purchase of a new Pumper Truck for the Daphne Fire Department.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman LeJeune said the next Buildings and Property Committee meeting is June 11, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Davis was not in attendance to provide report.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Goodlin said the next Code Enforcement/Ordinance Committee meeting is July 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. Discussed at today's meeting were minimal maintenance Ordinances, mixed use zoning in the Overlay District and signs in the Overlay District.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the Public Works Committee met today and discussed the location and layout of a proposed connection from the Bellaton subdivision to Corte Road. The next meeting is July 2, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Adrienne Jones, Planning Director, said the Board of Zoning Adjustments meets Thursday night and will consider two applications.

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Council President Conaway said the next Downtown Redevelopment Authority meeting is Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Davis was not in attendance to provide report.

D. Library Board

Councilman Rudicell said there has been a lot of progress with the Porch project. The Library Board meets the second Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. at the library.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Scott said the minutes of the April 26, 2018 Planning Commission meeting and the report of the May 24, 2018 meeting are in the packet. The next meeting is Thursday, June 28, 2018 at 5 p.m.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman LeJeune said the next Recreation Board meeting is June 13, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center. At this meeting, the Board will be discussing the progress of the Parks project as well as improvements at Lott Park. The City's camps are beginning as well.

G. Utility Board

Councilman LeJeune said the Utility Board met this past Wednesday. The Board is coming to a conclusion with ADEM. There has been 100 percent turnover at the plant and a large amount of experience and knowledge has been brought in. They are working to make positive changes; it will be a brighter future for Daphne, the bay and Daphne Utilities.

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6. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haygood said at the last Daphne Utilities Board meeting, several of the new hires participated in the discussions and it was obvious the level of sophistication, professionalism and experience was vastly improved. Daphne Utilities has put together an all-star team. He stressed the need to ensure that the Utility Board, along with the City, does everything it can to protect our natural environment.

Mayor Haygood referenced Lt. Hempfleng's retirement. He said Daphne is a safe and family-oriented community with a rich history as a waterfront community on Mobile Bay. He looks at safety as being paramount. He is appreciative to Lt. Hempfleng, under the leadership of Chief Carpenter, for everything they have done to keep the community safe. The City of Daphne was recognized as the 9th Safest City in Alabama by SafeWise. This is largely due to all of the efforts of the Public Safety personnel. Mayor Haygood said Daphne has the finest police department and fire department in South Alabama. He referenced the Channelview bus crash in March and the efforts of the Daphne Fire Department in responding to this incident. He recently received a letter from the Channelview students, staff and community thanking the City of Daphne for the warmth and generosity of the community. Mayor Haygood recognized Battalion Chief Kenny Hanak, Lt. Jerry Graham, Lt. Lamar Green, paramedic Steve Martell, firefighter TJ Winston, and firefighter Joe Greer. He presented them with a card signed by the Channelview students. He thanked the Daphne Fire Department personnel for their efforts and hard work. He also thanked the Council for the financial support of the Daphne Fire Department. Battalion Chief Hanak said if it weren't for the hard work of the firefighters and other first responders, the incident would have had a very different outcome. They train day in and day out for this kind of incident. He is very proud of all their hard work.

7. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

Jay Ross, City Attorney, said there is one issue that is being pushed back two weeks. He introduced Garret Zoghby, a new lawyer at Adams and Reese.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Chief White thanked the Council and Mayor for recognizing the firefighters and stressed the importance of repetitive training in being prepared for these types of situations.

Chief Carpenter thanked the Council and Mayor for recognizing Lt. Hempfling and said he will be greatly missed.

Mayor Haygood introduced the new Director of City Development, Troy Strunk.

9. CITY CLERK'S REPORT:

MOTION by Councilman LeJeune to approve the publication and set a public hearing for July 16, 2018 to consider revisions to the City of Daphne Zoning District Map. Seconded by Councilman Scott.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to approve the publication and set a public hearing on July 16, 2018 for the zoning amendment of R&S Leasing, L.L.C., aka Ford Lumber property located North of US Highway 90, Lot 1, Wooten Subdivision. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Participation was opened at 7:10 p.m.

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Heather Dail, 135 Country Club Drive, said she spoke at the Public Safety Committee meeting on May 14, 2018 about the Daphne Animal Shelter and is here to speak to the Council regarding the same. The shelter was established in 1989 when the City's population reached 5,000 residents. As of 2016, the City's population was 26,000 and is significantly growing every year. The shelter has remained the same size and in the same condition as it was in when it was built. Ms. Dail said she has organized a group called Daphne Pet Advocates. Her group is hoping to get the Council's support to build a new animal shelter. Until that is done, they are hoping to have a cat room built and described the benefits to the animals and to potential adoptees.

Al Guarisco, 1205 Randall Avenue, said he is concerned about the drastic change to the community. Growth is inevitable but should be controlled. He proposed impact fees and County-wide restrictions subject to necessary infrastructure. He thanked the Councilmembers for their service and asked that they "lead us not into unprepared growth."

Thomas Warner, 1315 Warren Drive, thanked Judy Swan and the Daphne Beautification Committee for the landscaping and improvements done at the Daphne Post Office.

Willie Robison said tomorrow is a very important day in the state of Alabama and in Baldwin County. He encouraged everyone to get out and vote.

Amy Newbold, 9601 Casey Court, said she is representing more than 70 residents of the Bellaton community. They are asking the Council not to open up the Chantilly Lane entrance to the Bellaton subdivision. She thanked everyone on the Public Works Committee for their commitment to work with the residents to come up with a solution. She thanked the Mayor for his offer to hold a community meeting.

Public participation was closed at 7:17 p.m.

11. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

2018-28 - Authorizing the Facility Use Agreement between City of Daphne and the Church of the Highlands for the Use of the Daphne Civic Center

2018-29 - Revisions to City of Daphne Street Map

**MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the readings of Resolution 2018-28 and Resolution 2018-29.
Seconded by Councilman Coleman.**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2018-28. Seconded by Councilman LeJeune.

Discussion took place as follows.

Councilman LeJeune referenced a lack of language allowing any leeway for late Mardi Gras events. He is concerned about having everything moved out and cleaned by 5:30 a.m. Mayor Haygood said there is not an explicit agreement with the tenant regarding this. The tenant is paying a significant amount to use the facility and some of the revenue could be used for a third party cleaning service. Councilman LeJeune said he is just concerned about there being such a quick turnaround time. Mayor Haygood said any personal items will be properly stored and third party cleaning services will be employed in order to ensure efficient turnaround. Previously scheduled events will continue as scheduled.

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MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2018-29. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES:

2nd READ:

2018-21 - Appropriating Funds for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Contract No. for: Mont Clair Loop (DAP #17-002) / CR 13 (DAP #17-004)

2018-22 - Appropriation: Engineering Design Fees: Main Street Drainage

MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Ordinance 2018-21. Seconded by Councilman Rudicell.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Ordinance 2018-21 as amended to remove the County Road 13 portion of the project as discussed in the Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Councilman LeJeune.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Rudicell to waive the reading of Ordinance 2018-22. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Rudicell to adopt Ordinance 2018-22. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

1st READ:

None.

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Rudicell referenced Lt. Hempfleng's retirement. He appreciates everyone who wears a uniform every day; they are heroes.

Councilman Coleman encouraged everyone to exercise their right to vote tomorrow.

Councilman Scott said he serves on the MPO as the Council representative and the bid to four lane Highway 181 has been awarded. Work is expected to begin this summer. He encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

Councilman LeJeune thanked Lt. Hempfleng for his service and said he will be missed. Chief Carpenter has a lot of shoes to fill. He encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

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Mayor Haygood read a letter from Melanie B. Iverson, who recently visited from Louisiana, praising the City's Parks and Recreation staff, specifically Chris Bradford and Jane Ellis, for their efforts to return her son's soccer gear to them after it was left on the soccer field at the Trione Sports Complex. Mayor Haygood thanked Mr. Bradford and Ms. Ellis for their work and reminded everyone that we are here to serve the community.

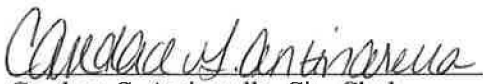
Council President Conaway said the Education Advisory Committee will meet Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Jubilee Conference Room.

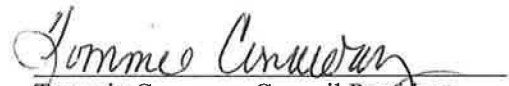
13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Certification of Presiding Officer


Candace G. Antinarella, City Clerk


Tommie Conaway, Council President