

**September 3, 2019
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 Pat Rudicell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Also Present: Candace Antinarella, City Clerk; Jay Ross, City Attorney; Kelli Reid, Finance Department; Adrienne Jones, Planning Director; Troy Strunk, Executive Director of City Development; Tonya Young, Library Director; Jeremy Sasser, Public Works Director; Betsy Schneider, Operations Director; James White, Fire Department; Scott Taylor, Police Department; and Jessica Linne, Assistant City Clerk.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

PRESENTATION: Patriot Guard Riders Organization presented a plaque to Daphne Police Department and Fire Departments for their service to the community. Guard Riders representatives were Lloyd Pursley, Richard Ullo and Gerald Hagan.

3. APPROVE MINUTES:

The minutes of the August 19, 2019 regular meeting were approved.

4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Conaway said the minutes from the August 19th meeting were in the packet. She said the Sales Tax for June 2019 was \$1,598,710; the Lodging Tax for June 2019 was \$129,970; the Unrestricted Fund Balance was \$12,543,171 and the Total Cash Balance was \$21,861,220.

B. BUILDINGS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the next meeting is September 9th at 5:30pm.

C. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is September 9th at 4:30pm.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Phillips said the committee met that afternoon. She said they are continuing to work on a speed calming ordinance.

E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilman Coleman said the committee met that afternoon at 5:30. He said one of the items discussed was recycling.

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to set a public hearing for the closing of the drop off location for recycling, with the exception of having it open from the Thanksgiving holiday week through the New Year Holiday and only accepting cardboard. The drop off time would be during normal business hours only. City Clerk said the public hearing could be during the October Work Session or October 7, 2019.

Councilwoman Phillips said she agreed with October 7th. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Councilman Scott asked where the City was on following up on the advice from the Environmental Advisory Committee suggesting doing a survey with the citizens on recycling. Councilman Rudicell said he would like to discuss that at the October 7th Council meeting when the public hearing is held. Councilman Coleman reported that the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting minutes from the July 17 and July 22 meetings are in the packet. He said the next Public Works meeting is October 7th at 5:30pm.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Board of Zoning Adjustments

Adrienne Jones said the next meeting is Thursday at 6:00pm. She said there is one application for review.

B. Downtown Redevelopment Authority

Councilwoman Conaway said the next meeting is Thursday, September 19th at 5:30pm.

C. Industrial Development Board

Councilman Rudicell said the committee is coming close to closing on one of the projects with the DISC program. He said that they are in the works of discussing pay back to the City.

D. Library Board

Councilwoman Phillips said the next meeting is Thursday, September 12th at 4:00pm. She said the Library continues to be busy with over 30,000 items circulated each month.

E. Planning Commission

Councilman Scott said the next meeting is September 26th at 5:00pm. He said the minutes from the July 25, 2019 meeting and the report from the August 22, 2019 meeting are in the packet.

F. Recreation Board

Councilman LeJeune said the next meeting is September 11th at 6:30pm.

G. Utility Board

Councilman LeJeune said the Board met last month and said that there was a report there was zero spillage or overflows from all the recent rain. He said the next meeting is September 25th at 6:00pm.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haygood said the Council should have received their proposed budget. He said he thinks a special called Council meeting should be planned at the end of the month for adoption. He said Rebuild Alabama concerning gas tax went into effect on September 1, 2019. Mayor Haygood said the Eastern Shore MPO has been a hot topic recently concerning a few projects they are hoping to push through.

7. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:

No report.

8. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

No report from the Fire Department.

Scott Taylor, Police Department, said the Dispatch Department began moving back into the dispatch center that day with the renovations being complete.

City Clerk reported on the five upcoming events at the Civic Center.

Jeremy Sasser, Public Works, said because Labor Day was Monday, garbage makeup day will be Wednesday. He said there is also some road work around town.

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

MOTION by Councilwoman Phillips to approve the Shephard's Flock Run for Shep 5k on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 9:00am – 11:30am. Seconded by Councilman Scott.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to authorize Human Resources to create a separate Fire Department job application for the Resident Firefighter Program and allow the minimum eligibility age to be 18 years old. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 21, 2019 for the Down by the Bay, LLC proposed pre-zoning amendment located northeast of County Rd 64 and County Rd 13, southeast of Rand Avenue and County Rd 13. Seconded by Councilman Scott.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 21, 2019 for the Down by the Bay, LLC annexation petition located northeast of County Rd 64 and County Rd 13, southeast of Rand Avenue and County Rd 13. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Coleman to approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 21, 2019 for the proposed amendment to the Olde Towne Daphne District Map. Seconded by Councilman Goodlin.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilwoman Conaway to approve the publication and set a public hearing on October 21, 2019 for the Francis and Patricia Jones re-zoning amendment located southeast of Ryan Avenue and Main Street. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

Councilman Scott said this received an unfavorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Public Participation opened at 6:53pm.

Victoria Phelps, 111 Worchester Drive, Daphne, said she was speaking on behalf of the Property Owner's Association and thanked the Council for moving forward with the sidewalk project in Lake Forest. She thanked Jeremy Sasser and Troy Strunk for their hard work as well.

Tomasina Warner, 109 Brentwood Drive, Daphne, thanked the Council for what they are doing in Lake Forest. She referenced a letter she sent to the Council prior to the meeting.

Don Oullette, Madison Place, agreed that something needs to be done about the speeding around Daphne in neighborhoods. He thanked the Council for being proactive and working on a speed calming ordinance.

Curt Fonger, 1443 Randall Avenue, stated his concern that the City's website didn't have hurricane preparation for the recent hurricane. He encouraged everyone to read the Public Works minutes regarding recycling. He expressed concern about the cost of recycling in Daphne.

Public Participation closed at 7:02pm.

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11. **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:**

RESOLUTIONS:

2019-57 – Bid Award: Fuel – SAPA – Davidson Oil, Inc.

2019-58 – Resolution to Set-up a New Depository Account for the Ten Cent Gas Tax Fund Account

MOTION by Councilman Scott to waive the reading of Resolution 2019-57 and 2019-58. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2019-57. Seconded by Councilman Coleman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Councilman Scott to adopt Resolution 2019-58. Seconded by Councilwoman Conaway. Councilwoman Conaway said this account would be set up at Bryant Bank. Councilman Scott asked if the City will only receive \$0.08 for every dollar. Mayor Haygood said that is correct.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES:

2nd READ:

1st READ:

2019-40 – Appropriation – Police Vehicle Replacement - \$23,638

2019-41 – Additional Appropriation - Daphne Sports Complex – Excess Engineering Fees -\$9,672

2019-42 – Appropriation – TAP Grant – CR13 Sidewalk Project - \$50,000

12. **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Haygood stated he wanted to make sure all citizens knew how to reach City Hall in case of an emergency. He gave the main number of 620-1000 and his direct number of 620-2000. He stated that the City of Fairhope is different when it came to costs because Fairhope owns their own electric company, where Daphne does not.

Councilman Goodlin reminded everyone that Daphne High School's homecoming parade is coming up on September 26th at 6pm.

Councilman Scott said the City relies on Baldwin County's Emergency Preparedness Program and their alerts. He said there were no alerts issued for the hurricane for the area. He thanked the Mayor for his leadership with the MPO.

Councilman LeJeune said his thoughts and prayers are with everyone in the Bahamas due to the devastation from Hurricane Dorian.

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Councilwoman Phillips said she agreed with Councilman LeJeune. She gave credit to the Eastern Shore MPO, Mayor Haygood and Councilman Scott for their hard work with the toll initiative and getting that turned down. She thanked Victoria Phelps and Ms. Tomasina Warner for their kind words.

Councilman Rudicell said tomorrow the list of roads to be paved will be published.

13. ADJOURN:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,


Candace G. Antinarella, City Clerk

Certification of Presiding Officer,


Pat Rudicell, Council President