

## MINUTES

October 19, 2010  
The Regular Meeting of the Satsuma City Council

The City Council of the City of Satsuma, Alabama, convened in the regular public session at City Hall in said city at 7:00 p.m. on the 19th day of October, 2010.

Councilmember Black gave the invocation.

Councilmember Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following answered present:

Mayor	William F. Stewart, III
Council Members	Billy Jackson
	Pamela O'Gwynn
	Pratt Monk
	Tom Williams
	Bill Black

Also present were Jay Minus, City Attorney; Vicki Miller, City Clerk; James Elmore, Public Works Supervisor; Tom Briand, Inspector; and David Benefield, Chief of Police. Mayor Stewart stated a quorum was present and opened the meeting.

Council met in a pre-council meeting at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Stewart discussed with Council agenda items coming before Council.

Mayor Stewart presented the minutes of the regular meeting on October 5, 2010 for approval. Councilmember O'Gwynn made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.

## VISITORS

Before acknowledging the Key Kids, Mayor Stewart asked Councilmember Williams to report on the Tristan-Lorena Life Safety Project. Councilmember Williams reported that Satsuma Fire and Rescue will be holding a memorial in honor of Tristan Silvers and Lorena Barlow on November 6<sup>th</sup> at Baldwin Square. The purpose of the event is to increase awareness about the need for smoke detectors.

1. Mayor Stewart welcomed the scout troops from Goldleaf Church that were present. The Cub Master, Brad Tate, explained that the troops were on a field trip to learn more about the operations of the community.
2. Mayor Stewart welcomed all Key Kids and presented each with a certificate and city pin.

Council recessed at 7:30 to allow the children and parents to leave.  
Council reconvened at 7:35.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. Mayor Stewart reported that he received documentation from Mobile County to allow for the enforcement of the county's junk ordinance within the city. Mayor Stewart stated that the city does not currently have any problem areas; however he would like Jay Minus to review the documents and discuss the matter further.
2. Mayor Stewart reported that during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the water board ordered bottled water and the city and water board have used the water during several events. He stated that the supply is getting low and is requesting the council consider placing another order using the city emblem of 60 cases for a cost of \$480.00. With no further discussions, Councilmember Jackson made a motion to order the bottled water. Councilmember O'Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.
3. Mayor Stewart reported that with the approval of the FY2011 Budget, the council approved the creation of a Community Center Manager and three (3) Fire Service Driver positions. Mayor Stewart stated that he would like to hold off on the Community Center Manager; however he would like council's approval to move forward with the driver positions. With no further discussions, Councilmember Williams made a motion to request the Personnel Board to establish three (3) Fire Service Driver Positions. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.
4. Mayor Stewart also stated that in the FY2011 budget there were approved merit raises. He asked for council's approval to begin putting the raises in place. With no further discussions, Councilmember O'Gwynn made a motion to approve

proceeding the with the merit raises. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Mayor Stewart discussed with Council a change order with the contractor at the community center/shelter. Mayor Stewart explained that in the contract the city was responsible for paving the parking lot as part of our in-kind. He stated that due to the city not being property equipped, the contractor has agreed to finish the parking lot for a cost of \$5700.00. After discussing the matter, Councilmember Williams made a motion to approve the change order not to exceed \$5700.00. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

## **REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES**

### **Parks and Recreation:**

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$10,900.00 to Superior Painting to paint the inside and outside of Steele Creek Lodge. Councilmember O'Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Jackson reported that he has received a price of \$14,407.21 from D&D Floor Covering to remove and replace the flooring at Steele Creek Lodge.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$1500.00 to upgrade the phone tree system. Councilmember O'Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve purchasing an ad in the Robert E. Lee Primary yearbook for an amount of \$250.00. Councilmember O'Gwynn seconded the motion and it carried.

### **Administration and Finance:**

Councilmember O'Gwynn made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

### **Municipal Services:**

Councilmember Monk expressed condolences on behalf of the Mayor and Council to the family of Henry Bradley.

Councilmember Monk reported that at the last meeting the city received proposals for construction of a wash down ramp and an equipment cover shed. He stated that after discussing with James Elmore and the committee, his recommendation is to accept the proposals from Ace Electrical and Construction on both projects.

With no further discussion, Councilmember Monk made a motion to accept the proposal from Ace Electric and Contracting, LLC to construct a wash down ramp and equipment shed in the amount of \$44,000.00. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried. Councilmember Monk stated that both projects would be completed by December 1st.

Councilmember Monk stated that at the last meeting, Mr. Gene Holcomb came before Council stating that he would be willing to deed a 40' X 800' ROW in return for the city surveying the property and removal of trees that were located on the right of way at the Second Street entrance to his property. Councilmember Monk stated that it would cost the city approximately \$1275.00 to complete both. Councilmember Monk then made a motion for Jay Minus to draw up the necessary paperwork to enter in an agreement with Mr. Holcomb. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Monk made a motion to approve the installation of a new light at 5882 North Service Road and 517 C.C.Trail. Councilmember Black seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Monk made a motion to approve the expenditure of amount not to exceed \$1700 to install surveillance cameras at the trash ramp. Councilmember Monk stated that these cameras are being installed jointly with Satsuma Water and Sewer. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion and it carried.

### **Public Safety:**

Councilmember Williams reported that the State legislation bill recently passed requires all volunteer firemen to be certified by the State. He stated that within the last few months' classes have been held and so far nine (9) volunteers have been certified as EMS/First Responders. He stated that having these men certified is vital to our program in that they can stabilize patients until paramedics arrive. The following have completed the EMS/First Responder course:

Randy Nobles, Paul Henderson, James Henderson, Terry Keasler, Kenny Keasler Fabien Adams, Zac Miller, Jeff Burns and Waverly Marcum.

Councilmember Williams reported that our insurance carrier has made a recommendation that the city upgrade the firing range due to safety issues. He stated that he would like to meet with the Public Safety Committee to discuss the upgrades needed.

Councilmember Williams suggested that a good way to get the information out about the Tristan/Lorena Life Saving Project is to put the information out on the phone tree system .

Councilmember Williams reminded everyone of the upcoming Veterans Day Celebration on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Works:**

Councilmember Black reported that the paving projects of Oakdale and McCoy Avenue have been completed.

Councilmember Black stated that in the August 17 minutes, it was recorded that the city was to call for an Equipment Operator I position to be filled. He stated that was an error, the position is for an Equipment Operator II. He then made a motion to correct the minutes to reflect the change. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Councilmember Black reported that the State is requiring that street signs be more visible. He stated that James Elmore is going to start ordering new 9" letter signs for Highway 43 in order to comply.

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCE, ORDERS**

1. *Resolution 2010-10-02- A Resolution to authorize a line of credit loan from Regions Bank to provide for additional revenue for the payment of grants.*

*Councilmember Williams made a motion to suspend the rules and put up Resolution 2010-10-02 for immediate adoption. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and on roll call the following answered:*

<i>Councilmember Jackson</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember O’Gwynn</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember Monk</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember Williams</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember Black</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Mayor Stewart</i>	<i>yes</i>

*Councilmember Williams then made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-10-02. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-10-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, TO RENEW A LINE OF CREDIT LOAN FROM REGIONS BANK TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF GRANTS.**

**WHEREAS, The City of Satsuma (the “City”) has entered into a agreement with Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) to construct an emergency shelter for the City of Satsuma; and**

**WHEREAS, The City has entered into a agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for grant funds to construct a sidewalk along Juniper Avenue; and**

**WHEREAS, The City has entered into a agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for grant funds to construct a sidewalk along Baker Road from Robert E. Lee School to Interstate 65; and**

**WHEREAS, The City has entered into a agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation for grant funds to provide landscaping, Pedestrian Lighting and sign along US 43; and**

**WHEREAS, The City has started its own residential garbage and trash pickup service; and**

**WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City to obtain short term financing to fund these grants and/or services; and**

**WHEREAS, Regions Bank has agreed to renew its loan to the City for \$500,000.00 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) on an unsecured line of credit to fund these projects;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the City of Satsuma as follows:**

**1. The City authorizes the Mayor, William F. Stewart to renew and negotiate the terms of the line of credit with Regions Bank.**

**2. The City authorizes its Clerk, Vicki L. Miller, and/or Mayor Stewart and/or Councilmember Pamela O’Gwynn and/or Councilmember Tom Williams to sign checks and/or requests for draws on behalf of the City from this account.**

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City of Satsuma, Alabama, this 19th day of October\_2010.**

**/s/ William Stewart, III**

**BY: William Stewart, Mayor,  
City of Satsuma, Alabama**

**ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller  
City Clerk**

*2. Ordinance 476- Amending Ordinance 317 Section 10-41 adopting Alabama Code on Preventing Animal Cruelty.*

*Councilmember Williams made a motion to suspend the rules and put up Ordinance 476 for immediate adoption. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and on roll call the following answered:*

<i>Councilmember Jackson</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember O’Gwynn</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilmember Monk</i>	<i>yes</i>

<i>Councilmember Williams</i>	yes
<i>Councilmember Black</i>	yes
<i>Mayor Stewart</i>	yes

*Councilmember Williams then made a motion to adopt Ordinance 476. Councilmember Monk seconded the motion and it carried.*

**ORDINANCE NO. 476**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 317, §XVI, 2-18-1997 CODIFIED SEC. 10-41.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SATSUMA, ALABAMA (the "City"), as follows:**

**1. Article II for Cats and Dogs shall be amended to add Section 10-47, in order to prevent cruelty to animals, to read as follows:**

**Sec. 10-47. Preventing Animal Cruelty**

**Alabama Code §13A-11-14, §13A-11-15 and §§13A-11-240 through 13A-11-247 (1975) are hereby adopted by reference in order to define animal cruelty, and provide measures to investigate and punish instances of animal cruelty.**

**2. This Ordinance shall become effective October 20, 2010 after its adoption and publication as required by law.**

**ADOPTED this 19th day of October, 2010.**

**/s/ William F. Stewart, III  
MAYOR**

**Authenticated and Attested:**

**/s/ Vicki Miller  
CITY CLERK**

Mayor Stewart reminded everyone that the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will be held at the Satsuma Public Library due to the elections.

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Monk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

/s/ William F. Stewart, III  
Mayor William F. Stewart III

/s/ Billy Jackson  
Councilmember Billy Jackson

/s/ Pam O'Gwynn  
Councilmember Pam O'Gwynn

/s/ Pratt Monk  
Councilmember Pratt Monk

/s/ Tom Williams  
Councilmember Tom Williams

/s/ Bill Black  
Councilmember Bill Black

ATTEST: /s/ Vicki Miller  
City Clerk