

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on May 28, 2020 at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council President Joe McDonald  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Attorney, Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve the minutes of the meetings of May 14, 2020. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Biggs introduced an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a Joint Purchasing Agreement with Mobile County, Alabama.

### **ORDINANCE 1166 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

WHEREAS, §41-16-50(b), *Code of Alabama* (1975) authorizes the governing bodies of two or more municipalities or counties to provide, by joint agreement, for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment or other personal property for use by their respective agencies; and

WHEREAS, Mobile County, Alabama (the County) and the City of Saraland, Alabama (the Municipality), by and through their respective governing bodies, have determined that by use of a joint purchasing agreement they may achieve economies of scale which benefit the public by decreasing the cost of materials, supplies, equipment or other personal property while increasing the efficiency of both local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality desires to adopt an ordinance authorizing a joint purchasing agreement with the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to adopt a companion resolution authorizing a joint purchasing agreement with the Municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Saraland, Alabama is authorized to enter a joint purchasing agreement with Mobile County, Alabama for the purchase of the items needed for the construction and maintenance of roadways, sidewalks, parks, and like public facilities, and roadway lighting, traffic signals, lighting, traffic detention components and systems, shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

**EXHIBIT A  
TO  
ORDINANCE AND JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT**

Herbicide Treatment for roadsides and rights-of-way  
Herbicides  
Traffic Paint  
Traffic Signal Cable  
Crushed Aggregate  
Asphalt Plant Mix  
Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe  
Reinforced Concrete Circular Pipe  
P.E. Storm Drain  
Road Base Stabilization  
Prepackaged Concrete Sacked Rip Rap  
Coarse Aggregate  
Rip Rap  
Crushed Concrete  
Wood Fiber Mulch  
Wood Fiber Mulch/Tackifier  
Gabion Stone  
Erosion Control Materials  
Portland Cement Concrete  
3-Month Seed Bid  
3-Month Sod Bid  
Beaver Dam Removal/Control  
Tied Concrete Block Erosion  
Dust Control Agent 30%  
Dust Control Agent 45%

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a Joint Purchasing Agreement with Mobile County, Alabama.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

Unanimous consent being given to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to adopt the ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a Joint Purchasing Agreement with Mobile County, Alabama.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve Aiker Construction and Recreation Estimate No. 1, in the amount of \$65,486.23 from the Splash Pad - Phase II project. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to approve Neel-Shaffer Invoice #1065307, in the amount of \$6,831.01 from the Splash Pad - Phase II project. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve to Sunbelt Fire Equipment, in the amount of \$220,780.00, for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus' for the Fire Department utilizing the HGAC Contract. Ninety-five (95) percent of said costs shall be reimbursed from the government. Motion carried

#### REPORT OF MAYOR

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to adopt a resolution authorizing expenditure in the amount of \$10,000.00 to assist Food Bank operations the Saraland United Methodist Food pantry to help citizens of the City of Saraland with groceries during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. Motion carried.

## RESOLUTION 2141

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS  
TO ASSIST FOOD BANK OPERATIONS DURING THE  
COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, by Proclamation dated March 13, 2020, Governor Kay Ivey found that the appearance of Covid-19 within the State of Alabama created the potential of wide-spread exposure to an infectious agent and posed a significant risk of substantial harm to a large number of people and, as a result, declared a State Public Health Emergency pursuant to Alabama Code § 31-9-1, et seq., otherwise known as the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance dated March 20, 2020 and by Mayoral Proclamation of Emergency dated March 18, 2020, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Saraland exercised their authority pursuant to Alabama Code § 31-9-10(b)(1) to provide for the health and safety of persons and property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Proclamations of Governor Kay Ivey, as well as Orders of the State Health Officer of the State of Alabama issued March 13, 2020, March 19, 2020, March 27, 2020, April 3, 2020, April 28, 2020, May 8, 2020 and May 21, 2020, various limitations on the general public and citizens of the State were placed limiting the size of public gatherings, the exercise of commerce and the ability of individuals to leave their residence; and

WHEREAS, by Mayoral Proclamation issued April 4, 2020, a curfew was placed on the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, the incredible economic impact of the Covid-19 virus on the citizens of Saraland has been immense, resulting in severe financial hardship to members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the restrictions placed upon citizens pursuing their livelihood, coupled with the restrictions placed upon the movement of the citizens and their abilities to secure necessary food and supplies, requires action; and

WHEREAS, the Saraland United Methodist Church operates a Food Bank that allows citizens to obtain necessary food; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the Mayor and City Council that utilizing the distribution system of the Saraland United Methodist Church Food Bank operation as a means to make available necessary food to the population represents a proper expenditure of funds for the purchase and distribution of food supplies for the public benefit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Saraland, Alabama that the City shall donate to the Saraland United Methodist Church the

amount of \$10,000.00 that shall be earmarked for and only utilized for food distribution to the citizens of Saraland that are in need of assistance.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed resolution authorizing expenditure in the amount of \$10,000.00 to assist Food Bank operations the Saraland United Methodist Food pantry to help citizens of the City of Saraland with groceries during the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

Unanimous consent being given to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to adopt a resolution authorizing expenditure in the amount of \$10,000.00 to assist Food Bank operations the Saraland United Methodist Food pantry to help citizens of the City of Saraland with groceries during the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Paul Stanley

Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to approve the following invoices.

#### **2018 General Obligation Warrant**

1. Neel-Schaffer – Professional Services 4/1/20-4/30/20 – Boat Ramp Ph II \$1,671.71

Motion carried.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES & OTHER BUSINESS

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to adopt a resolution appointing Judi Smith, City Clerk and Brooke Miller, Assistant City Clerk to perform the duties with respect to the 2020 Municipal Election

**RESOLUTION 2142**

**A Resolution Appointing Judi Smith, City Clerk and Brooke Miller, Assistant City Clerk to perform the duties with respect to the Municipal Election to be held on August 25, 2020 and any Run-Off Election ordered held.**

**WHEREAS**, a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Saraland on the 25th of August 2020, and if necessary, a Run-off Election will be held in the City of Saraland on the 6th of October 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Saraland is a candidate in said election and is thereby disqualified to perform certain duties per Code of Alabama, 1975.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SARALAND**, that Judi Smith, City Clerk, and Brooke Miller, Assistant City Clerk are hereby appointed to perform all the duties otherwise required to be performed by the Mayor per Code of Alabama, 1975 with respect to the Municipal Election to be held in the City of Saraland on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2020 and any Run-off Election ordered held with respect thereto.

Adopted this the 28th day of May, 2020

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to authorize training expenses and adopt a resolution for a cash advance for Lee Taylor and Joseph Blaise to attend Surface Water/Swift Water training in Prattville, Alabama, June 21-26, 2020

**RESOLUTION 2143**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Saraland, that

**WHEREAS**, a cash advance for Lee Taylor and Joseph Blaise to attend Surface Water/Swift Water training in Prattville, Alabama, June 21-26, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, a statement of said expenditures will be presented to the City Clerk immediately upon return, at which time all monies will be balanced.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

Motion carried

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to authorize the Mayor to sign the MS4 permit

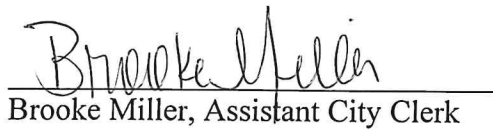
There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson to adjourn at 6:46 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.



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Joe McDonald, Council President



Handwritten signature of Brooke Miller in cursive script, positioned above a horizontal line.

Brooke Miller, Assistant City Clerk