

Saraland City Council
Pre-Meeting
February 25, 2021

MINUTES

The members of the Saraland City Council met on February 25, 2021 at the Saraland Municipal Annex at 6:01 p.m., with Council President McDonald presiding.

Councilmembers Biggs and Hudson were in attendance.

Councilmember Cromer and Moye was absent.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

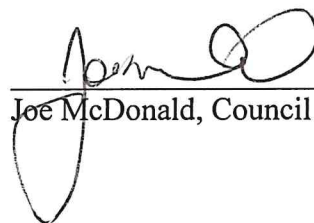
Attorney Andy Rutens was present.

The Council discussed agenda items and general municipal business.

There being no further discussion the pre-meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 11th day of March, 2021.


Judi Smith, City Clerk


Joe McDonald, Council President

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on February 25, 2021 at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson
Absent: Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Natalie Moye

Attorney, Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 28, February 11 and 22, 2021. Motion carried.

REPORT OF MAYOR

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to appoint Mayor Rubenstein as the City's voting delegate for the Annual Convention of the Alabama League of Municipalities to be held on May 12-15, 2021 in Huntsville, Alabama. The 1st Alternate Voting Delegate will be Councilmember Wayne Biggs and the 2nd Alternate Voting Delegate will be Councilmember Newton Cromer. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

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

General Fund

1. Neel Schaffer – Inv.# 107150 General Consulting	\$8,147.50
2. Commercial Diving Services, Inc.- Bridge Inspection	\$2,800.00

Motion carried.

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

General Obligation Warrant

1. Gulf Hauling – Est.# 3 (Final)	\$28,687.59
2. Neel Schaffer – Inv.# 1069591 Boat Ramp	\$9,555.00

Motion carried.

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

Gas Tax Fund

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| 1. Neel Schaffer – Inv.# 1070151 Celeste Road Widening | \$10,186.86 |
| 2. Neel Schaffer – Inv.# 1070150 Celeste Road Widening | \$895.00 |

Motion carried.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES & OTHER BUSINESS

AFTER PROPER PUBLIC NOTICES HAVING BEEN DULY GIVEN, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD TO CONSIDER THE annexation of Parcel Number R021808340000010.000, 6462 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Robert Cullen Tanner.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing open.

There was no one in favor of or in opposition to the application.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Hudson introduced an ordinance approving the annexation of Parcel Number R021808340000010.000, 6462 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Robert Cullen Tanner.

ORDINANCE 1188

**AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF SARALAND UNDER
CODE SECTION 11-42-21**

WHEREAS, the owner of the below-described territory has filed a written petition with the City Clerk requesting that the territory be annexed to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Saraland is desirous of annexing the said territory to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the said territory is contiguous to the City's present corporate limits and otherwise meets the requirements of Section 11-42-21, Code of Alabama 1975.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, THAT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS HEREBY ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF SARALAND:

Section 1: The City of Saraland assents to the annexation of the following described property to the City, to-wit:

COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF LOT 2 NORMA GIBSON S/D MBK 96 PG 51, THEN WEST 489 FT TO THE NORTH ROW OF HWY 45, THEN WEST ALONG SAID ROW 312 FT TO POB, THEN CONTINUE 312 FT(S), THEN NORTHERLY 178 FT(S), THEN NORTH 225 FT(S), THEN WESTERLY 37 FT(S), THEN NORTH 644 FT(S), THEN WEST 301 FT(S), THEN NORTH 664 FT(S), THEN EAST 1338 FT(S), THEN SOUTH 1558 FT(S), THEN WESTERLY 324 FT, THEN WEST 210 FT, THEN SOUTHWEST 399 FT(S) TO POB.

Property address: Parcel No.: R021808340000010.000, 6462 Highway 45, Chunchula, AL 36521, petitioned by owner Robert Cullen Tanner

The same is hereby annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Saraland and said property of territory hereby is made a part of the City of Saraland.

Section 2: The City Clerk of the City of Saraland shall file the description of the territory annexed by this ordinance in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Mobile County, Alabama

Section 3: This ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 25th day of February 2021.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance for the annexation of Parcel Number R021808340000010.000, 6462 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Robert Cullen Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

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 for the annexation of Parcel Number R021808340000010.000, 6462 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Robert Cullen Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Motion carried.

AFTER PROPER PUBLIC NOTICES HAVING BEEN DULY GIVEN, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD TO CONSIDER THE annexation of Parcel Number R02180834000010.002, Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing open.

There was no one in favor of or in opposition to the application.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Biggs introduced an ordinance approving the annexation of Parcel Number R02180834000010.002, Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

ORDINANCE 1189

**AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF SARALAND UNDER
CODE SECTION 11-42-21**

WHEREAS, the owner of the below-described territory has filed a written petition with the City Clerk requesting that the territory be annexed to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Saraland is desirous of annexing the said territory to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the said territory is contiguous to the City's present corporate limits and otherwise meets the requirements of Section 11-42-21, Code of Alabama 1975.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, THAT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS HEREBY ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF SARALAND:

Section 1: The City of Saraland assents to the annexation of the following described property to the City, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT THE NW CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 SECT 34 T2S R2W, THEN RUN S 89 DEG 37 MIN 45 SEC E ALONG THE N LINE OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 304.71 FT, THEN S 00 DEG 06 MIN 51 SEC E 675.27 FT TO THE POB, THEN S 76 DEG 24 MIN 01 SEC E 37.05 FT, THEN S 08 DEG 31 MIN 07 SEC W 225.8 FT, THEN S 17 DEG 12 MIN 14 SEC W 178.05 FT TO THE N ROW OF US HWY 45, THEN N 61 DEG 10 MIN 44 SEC W ALONG N TOW 115 FT, THEN NORTH 13 DEG 09 MIN 46 SEC E 372.42 FT ON THE S ROW OF OLD CITRONELLE HIGHWAY, THEN S 76 DEG 24 MIN 01 SEC E ALONG S ROW 67.95 FT TO THE POB.

Property address: Parcel No.: R02180834000010.002, Highway 45, Chunchula, AL 36521, petitioned by owner Elise Tanner.

The same is hereby annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Saraland and said property of territory hereby is made a part of the City of Saraland.

Section 2: The City Clerk of the City of Saraland shall file the description of the territory annexed by this ordinance in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Mobile County, Alabama

Section 3: This ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 25th day of February 2021.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance for the annexation of Parcel Number R02180834000010.002, Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Motion carried.

Unanimous consent being given to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance, motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to adopt the ordinance for the annexation of Parcel Number R02180834000010.002, Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Motion carried.

AFTER PROPER PUBLIC NOTICES HAVING BEEN DULY GIVEN, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD TO CONSIDER THE annexation of Parcel Number R021834000014.01, 6490 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing open.

There was no one in favor of or in opposition to the application.

Council President McDonald declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Hudson introduced an ordinance approving the annexation of Parcel Number R0218340000014.01, 6490 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

ORDINANCE 1190

**AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF SARALAND UNDER
CODE SECTION 11-42-21**

WHEREAS, the owner of the below-described territory has filed a written petition with the City Clerk requesting that the territory be annexed to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Saraland is desirous of annexing the said territory to the City of Saraland; and

WHEREAS, the said territory is contiguous to the City's present corporate limits and otherwise meets the requirements of Section 11-42-21, Code of Alabama 1975.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, THAT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS HEREBY ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF SARALAND:

Section 1: The City of Saraland assents to the annexation of the following described property to the City, to-wit:

BEG AT NW COR OF NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SEC 34 T28 R2W TH RUN S 600 FT(S) TO
POB TH CON S 340 FT(S) TO N/L HWY 45 TH SE 230 FT TH NELY 410 FT(S) TO
S/L 30 FT ROW TH NW 230 FT TO POB #SEC 34 T2S R2W #MP18 08 34 0 000

Property address: Parcel No.: R021808340000014.01, 6490 Highway 45, Chunchula, AL 36521, with R-1 zoning, petitioned by owner Elise Tanner.

The same is hereby annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Saraland and said property of territory hereby is made a part of the City of Saraland.

Section 2: The City Clerk of the City of Saraland shall file the description of the territory annexed by this ordinance in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Mobile County, Alabama

Section 3: This ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 25th day of February 2021.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance for the annexation of

Parcel Number R0218340000014.01, 6490 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

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 for the annexation of Parcel Number R0218340000014.01, 6490 Highway 45, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Elise Tanner.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize travel expenses and adopt a resolution for Amanda Robbins to attend the Interview and Interrogation Training in Bossier City, Louisiana, March 28 through April 2, 2021. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2181

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

WHEREAS, a cash advance for Amanda Robbins to attend the Interview and Interrogation Training, March 28 through April 2, 2021 in Bossier City, LA; 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 25th day of February, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to authorize the purchase of a Ranger Crew XP 1000 Side by Side in the amount of \$19,370.50, through the Sourcewell State Contract. This is a budgeted item for the Fire Department. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve a 5K race permit for Saraland First Assembly of God scheduled for April 24, 2021. Motion carried.

Council President McDonald advised there is a matter to be discussed in executive session concerning the amount the Mayor and Council are willing to accept for the sale of real property.

City Attorney, Andy Rutens, advised this is appropriate use of executive session as authorized by state law.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to adjourn into executive session with Mayor Rubenstein and Andy Rutens to discuss the amount the Mayor and Council are willing to accept for the sale of real property.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Veronica Hudson

Motion carried.

Council President McDonald advised he anticipates the executive session to last approximately fifteen (15) minutes.

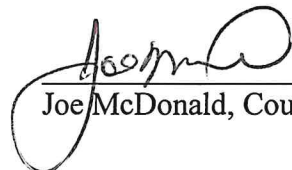
The Council adjourned into executive session with the Mayor and City Attorney at 6:28 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to reconvene at 6:43 with all members present. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn at 6:44 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 11th day of March, 2021.


Judi Smith, City Clerk


Joe McDonald, Council President