

Saraland City Council
Pre-Meeting
September 24, 2020

MINUTES

The members of the Saraland City Council met on September 24, 2020 at the Saraland Municipal Annex at 6:08 p.m., with Council President McDonald presiding.

Councilmembers Biggs, Cromer, Hudson, and Stanley were in attendance.

Councilmember Hudson opened the meeting with prayer.

Attorney Andy Rutens was present.

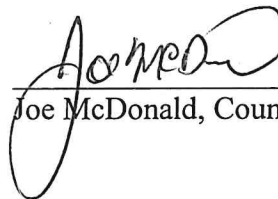
The Council discussed agenda items and general municipal business.

There being no further discussion the pre-meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 8th day of October, 2020.



Judi Smith, City Clerk



Joe McDonald, Council President

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on September 24, 2000 at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:31 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 Hudson opened the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 10 & 14, 2020. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Cromer introduced an ordinance providing for the removal by the City of an unsafe building and structure located at 818 Fortner Street, Saraland, Alabama.

ORDINANCE 1172

An ordinance providing for the removal by the City of an unsafe building and structure located at 818 Fortner Street

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 832 adopted by the City on July 28, 2011, the Mayor appointed the Public Safety Director and designated Sgt. Andrew Sullivan and Building Inspector Bobby Neese to serve as "appropriate municipal officials" as defined in the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a number of complaints over a period of years concerning the disrepair and general state of the building located at 818 Fortner Street; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2020, Public Safety Director James C. West, Sergeant Andrew Sullivan and Building Inspector Bobby Neese investigated the location to determine if the building located at the address was unsafe to the extent emergency action is required due to imminent danger of structural collapse that would serve to endanger human life or health or otherwise endanger the adjoining public right of way; and

WHEREAS, after their inspection, it was determined that the building located at the address was unsafe to the extent emergency action is required due to imminent danger of structural collapse

that would serve to endanger human life or health or otherwise endanger the adjoining public right of way; and

WHEREAS, at the City Council public meeting on September 24, 2020, heard the report of Public Safety Director West and Sgt. Sullivan, and was presented information and photographs of the building, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Alabama Code 11-53B-15 and City of Saraland Ordinance 832, the City is authorized to enact an ordinance authorizing the Public Safety Director initiate immediate repair or demolition of the building based upon the findings of the inspection; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the City Council that the determination by the Public Safety Director, Sgt. Sullivan and Inspector Neese is correct, and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Public Safety Director that the best and safest course of action is to demolish the structure at 818 Fortner Street.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council concurs with the determination of the Public Safety Director, Sergeant Andrew Sullivan and Building Inspector Bobby Neese that the building located at 818 Fortner Street is unsafe to the extent emergency action is required due to imminent danger of structural collapse that would serve to endanger human life or health or otherwise endanger the adjoining public right of way.

Section 2. Pursuant to Alabama Code 11-53B-15 and City of Saraland Ordinance 832, this Ordinance authorizes the Public Safety Director to initiate immediate demolition of the building based upon the findings of the inspection and the recommendation of the Public Safety Director.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of September 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance for the removal by the City of an unsafe building and structure located at 818 Fortner Street, Saraland, 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 Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to adopt the ordinance for the removal by the City of an unsafe building and structure located at 818 Fortner Street, Saraland, 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.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to re-appoint Dewey "Scooter" Thronson to the Saraland Water Board for another 6 (six) year term. Motion carried.

REPORT OF MAYOR

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to re-appoint Edward C. Menton to the Mobile County Racing Commission. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to ratify expenditure in the amount of \$2,107.84 for repairs to Ford F750 – Chipper truck, Unit #59. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

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

General Fund

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| 1. Neel Schaffer – General Consulting Services – August 2020 | \$4,165.00 |
| 2. Volkert, Inc. – General Engineering Services - 2020 | \$535.44 |

Motion carried.

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

General Obligation Warrant

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| 1. James H. Adams & Son Const. Co. – Ft. Kali Oka Rd Est. # 6 | \$97,504.10 |
| 2. Neel Schaffer – Ft. Kali Oka Rd Est # 6 | \$3,730.65 |

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 R021903080000001.016, also known as 2850 Radcliff Road, Saraland, AL 36571 petitioned by property owners Jerry Ramey and Ashley Anders.

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 R021903080000001.016, 2850 Radcliff Road, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owners Jerry Ramey and Ashley Anders.

ORDINANCE 1173

**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:

Lot 6, Fontaine Woods, Unit III, Phase II as recorded in Map Book 55, Page 33 in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Mobile County, Alabama.

The Real Property or its address is commonly known as **2850 Radcliff Road, Saraland, AL 36571**, Parcel No. R021903080000001.016, petitioned by property owners Jerry Ramey and Ashley Anders.

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 24th day of September 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to suspend the rules to allow for immediate consideration of the proposed ordinance for the annexation of Parcel R021903080000001.016, also known as 2850 Radcliff Road, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owners Jerry Ramey and Ashley Anders.

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 for the annexation of Parcel R021903080000001.016, also known as 2850 Radcliff Road, Saraland, AL 36571, filed by property owner Jerry Ramey and Ashley Anders.

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 Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize training expenses and adopt a resolution for cash advance for Austin Sullivan and Terrance Brown to attend the Tactical Narcotics Techniques class in Nashville, Tennessee, October 4-9, 2020. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2171

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

WHEREAS, a cash advance for Austin Sullivan and Terrance Brown to attend the Tactical Narcotics Techniques Class in Nashville, Tennessee, October 4-9, 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 24th day of September 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to ratify expenditure in the approximate amount of \$2,045.70 to Beard Equipment for repair of a tractor for the Public Works Department. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to authorize expenditure from the Alabama Trust Fund to replace septic system at Station #2 in the approximate amount of \$5,500.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to authorize expenditure from the Alabama Trust Fund to replace hot water system at Station #3 in the approximate amount of \$10,000.00. Motion carried.

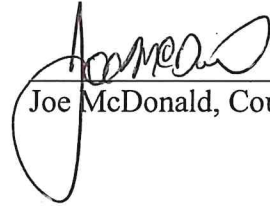
Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to authorize the purchase of two pallets of sandbags for the Public Works Department. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Stanley, to approve of a contract with Kelly's Turf Pro, LLC to provide rotating service for fertilization and

herbicide to Amelia Park and Civic Center, Norton Park, Oscar Driver Park, Skidmore Park, Police Station and Fire Stations. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson to adjourn at 6:51 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 8th day of October, 2020.



Joe McDonald, Council President



Judi Smith, City Clerk