

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on October 24, 2024, at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:28 p.m. by Council Vice President Cromer. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council Vice President Newton Cromer  
Councilmember Wayne Biggs  
Councilmember Veronica Hudson  
Councilmember Natalie Moye

Absent: Council President Joe McDonald

Attorney, Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the minutes of the meetings of October 10, 2024, and October 21, 2024. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract and make payment, in the amount of \$32,303.67, to Stryker for the yearly preventative maintenance of the Fire Department's cardiac equipment. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve Rabren's CCD# 14, in the estimated amount of \$73,000.00, to raise retaining walls #2 (southwest wall) and #4, to provide extra protection concerning drainage with larger and extreme rain events, the southwest wall will be raised about 3 foot from the current projection, and the northwest wall will be a sloped increase between ½ foot and 5 ½ foot in areas. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF MAYOR

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve KemperSports' funding request for \$20,463.60 – operating expense, \$20,500.00 – management fees, and \$5,087.42 – payroll, in the total amount of \$46,051.02, to be paid from the general fund. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the mayor to change the City's website management to KemperSports, currently at no cost. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to amend the approval of Neel-Schaffer's Inv# 1100667 that was approved at the special meeting on October

21, 2024, the previous amount approved was \$23,623.76, the amended amount is \$14,977.43. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the mayor to advertise with the Call News for their annual holiday advertisement, ¼ page advertisement for Thanksgiving, in the amount of \$299.00, ¼ page advertisement for Christmas, in the amount of \$299.00, and a full-page advertisement in the Shop Saraland edition, in the amount of \$850.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve payment for invoice number 102402, for diagnostic testing, to PPM Consultants in the amount of \$32,025.12, to be paid from General Obligation Warrant 2022-A Sportsplex. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize the mayor to execute the authorization to proceed with PPM Consultants, in the amount of \$205,200.00, for the second phase of supplemental environmental site assessment and regulatory support, to be paid from General Obligation Warrant 2022-A Sportsplex. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize approval of travel expenses for the mayor to attend an EPA meeting in Atlanta, GA, the date has not been determined yet. Motion carried.

#### ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES & OTHER BUSINESS

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the opening of bids for the road and drainage improvements to Craig Drive. Motion carried.

Bids are as follows:


Bidders	Acknowledge Addendum # 1	Acknowledge Addendum # 2	Bid Bond	Total Project Amount Bid
<b>1) Parten Smith, Inc.</b>	✓	✓	✓	\$2,995,907.00
<b>2) James H. Adams &amp; Sons Construction Company, Inc.</b>	✓	✓	✓	\$2,999,444.00
<b>3) Frank Turner Construction</b>	✓	✓	✓	\$2,576,430.45
<b>4) McElhenney Construction Company, LLC.</b>	✓	✓	✓	\$2,773,833.59

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to authorize the city Engineer, Kirby Latham to tabulate the bids and return a recommendation to the mayor for his approval. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 14th day of November 2024.

  
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Newton Cromer, Council Vice President

  
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Casey Etheredge, Assistant City Clerk