

**THE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
HELD ON OCTOBER 19th 2020**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Guntersville, Alabama met in a pre-meeting in City Hall in said city on October 19th 2020 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. In a regular meeting in Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Leigh Dollar presided as Chairman of the meeting. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins, Phillip Kelley, John Myers, Carson Ray, Dink Myers Rudy Cornelius and Randy Whitaker. Betty Jones acted as City Clerk for the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Randy Whitaker. Mayor Dollar welcomed visitors and declared that a quorum was present and opened the meeting for business.

Minutes

Mayor Dollar announced that copies of the minutes from the October 9th 2020 Regular Meeting and the October 13th Special Called Meeting have been distributed to the members of the Council. There being no corrections or additions the same on motion duly made and second stood approved.

Personnel Report – Mayor Dollar called upon Renea Rowan to give the following personnel report:

Sanitation: To fill the open position of Laborer, Sam Cobb has selected Mr. Eric Madden. Mr. Madden has completed all pre-hire requirements. Renea Rowan requested approval to hire Mr. Madden as a full-time employee with the City. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Cornelius and seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Public Hearing for a Rezone Request Made by the Marshall Masonic Lodge

Mayor Dollar announced that this portion of the meeting would be a public hearing for a rezone request made by Marshall Masonic Lodge #209 F&AM for property located at 3516 AL Hwy 79 South from RS-2 to O&I. Mayor Dollar stated that the Lodge had applied for BG1 zoning that was approved by the Planning Commission but their request was withdrawn before it made it to the Council. They then went back to the Planning Commission and applied for O&I which is more restrictive and the Planning Commission did not approve. No one spoke in opposition. When asked for support, Brownie Harrison, the Master of Lodge 209 stated there was no hope of approval and withdrew the request and will seek property out of the City of Guntersville.

Mayor Dollar announced that this would be the last meeting for Phillip Kelley and Rudy Cornelius who had served 12 years each.

Councilman Kelley stated it was a pleasure to serve and complimented the leadership and management of the Mayor. He enjoyed the new field trips the mayor has started for the council to be informed and looked forward to the completion of the Harbor as a destination spot in the future as well as updating the infrastructure through the ½ cent sales tax. He stated it has been a wonderful experience.

Councilman Cornelius stated it was an honor to serve and that the City has the best employees who go above and beyond in service. He has seen lots of improvements in the last twelve years in the City.

Announcements:

- Mayor and Council Members will be sworn in at the November 2nd Council Meeting
- Tennessee River Town Announcement will be Thursday 22nd at 2:00 p.m.at the City Harbor

Public Comments

Eddie Allen told the Council a traffic pattern for voting was needed for the November 3rd election to be held at the Recreation Center. He stated the poll workers needed to park away from the parking lot because the Rec Center has lost 50 spaces due to construction. He stated there needed to be one way in and one way out and needed to be published in the paper.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting on motion duly made and seconded, stood adjourned until November 2nd, 2020 at 8:00am.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 2nd DAY OF November, 2020

**CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION**

LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK