

**THE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA  
HELD ON JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> 2021**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Guntersville, Alabama met in a pre-meeting in City Hall in said city on January 4<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 11:30 a.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. In a regular meeting in Town Hall at 12:00 p.m. Mayor Leigh Dollar presided as Chairman of the meeting. The following members of the Council were present: Larry Wilson, John Myers, Carson Ray, Dink Myers, Rich Russell and Randy Whitaker. Sanchez Watkins was absent. Shelly Thomas 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 December 21<sup>st</sup> 2020 Regular 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:

Mrs. Rowan presented Gail Gibbs with a plaque after 32 years of working with the City and thanked her for her dedication.

**Resolution to Approve Vehicle Purchases**

Mayor Dollar introduced a resolution to approve the purchase of the following vehicles:

- Building Department

Each of these are off the State Bid List:

2021 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 for \$39,586.15

2021 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 for \$31,832.58 with an additional equipment package of \$7,074.00 for a total of \$38,906.66

- Horticulture Department

This is also off the State Bid List:

2021 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 for \$31,675.10

- Sanitation Department

Bids were opened on Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup> for a new Garbage Truck/Chassis and the low bidder was the following:

Neely Coble with a bid of \$141,100.00 with a warranty of \$6993.00 for a total price of \$148,093.00

Motion to approve the **Resolution No. 1175** was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Russell and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance by the City of Guntersville**

Mayor Dollar introduced an ordinance to Provide for the Advance Refunding of its 2012 \$5,240,000.00 Taxable General Obligation Warrants Series. Mayor Dollar introduced Bob Young and Rod Kanter to speak about the issuance. Mr. Young said when they went to the market everything was smooth and they were able to secure the rate of 1.049% and savings of approximately \$279,000.00. The City was able to maintain its AA Rating with Standard and Poor's and stated that this was probably the highest rating the City could achieve which was excellent. Councilman Whitaker stated that the maturity date of 2028 would stay the same and Mr. Young said yes. Councilman Wilson explained the reason there would be a motion to suspend the rules was due to the need to move forward to keep from losing the rate or the buyers. Motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration by **Ordinance No. 1120** was made by Councilman Ray and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and the following roll call vote was recorded:

1.	Sanchez Watkins	Absent	5.	Donald Myers	Yes
2.	Larry Wilson	Yes	6.	Rich Russell	Yes
3.	John Myers	Yes	7.	Randy Whitaker	Yes
4.	Carson Ray	Yes	8.	Leigh Dollar	Yes

Motion to consider the issuance by **Ordinance No. 1120** was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman John Myers and the following roll call vote was recorded:

1.	Sanchez Watkins	Absent	5.	Donald Myers	Yes
2.	Larry Wilson	Yes	6.	Rich Russell	Yes
3.	John Myers	Yes	7.	Randy Whitaker	Yes
4.	Carson Ray	Yes	8.	Leigh Dollar	Yes

**Barge Design – Guntersville Phase II Bidding and Construction Proposal**

Mayor Dollar announced the next item was a contract with Barge Design to oversee the Phase II bidding administration at the Recreation Center. Mayor Dollar called on Matt Bryant who explained this included pre-bidding info, bid reviews, recommendations to the Mayor and Council, review of general and sub-contractor plans, on site administration, trouble shooting, etc. Councilman Whitaker asked if this was all the way to Highway 69 and Mr. Bryant said yes, the ball fields and splash pad over to Highway 69. Motion to approve Mayor entering into the contract with Barge Design was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Whitaker and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Cobbs Allen Presentation**

Mayor Dollar called upon Renea Rowan who introduced Brian Butler with Cobbs Allen. Mr. Butler gave a presentation to the Mayor and Council explaining what his company would have to offer to the employees of the City. He stated that Cobbs Allen was one of the largest employee benefit brokers in the state and that they had just began working with Marshall County. Mr. Butler stated they would help the City's Personnel Department with benefit administration and complement the already existing HR team. Councilman Whitaker asked if they could provide safety training and Mr. Butler said yes along with any other type training and tailor it specifically to the City's needs. After the presentation was over Mr. Butler thanked the Mayor and Council for their time and said he hoped to do business with the City in the future.

**Library Board Reappointment**

Mayor Dollar recommended that Linda Reynolds be reappointed to the Library Board. Motion to approve the recommendation was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Whitaker and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

**Announcements:**

The next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day at 5:00 p.m.

**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 January 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2021**

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

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**LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SHELLY THOMAS, ACTING CITY CLERK**