

**THE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
HELD ON AUGUST 15th 2022**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Guntersville, Alabama met in a pre-meeting in City Hall in said city on August 15th 2022 at 4:30 p.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. In a regular meeting in Town Hall at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Leigh Dollar presided as Chairman of the meeting. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins, Larry Wilson, John Myers, Carson Ray, Dink Myers, Rich Russell 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 August 1st 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 read the following:

Police Department: A Police Department interviewing committee selected Ms. Alicia Lee to fill an open position of Police Officer. Ms. Lee is APOST certified. She accepted our job offer and started her full-time employment today, 8/15/22. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Russell and seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Accept FAA/State Airport Grant

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1269** accept the 2022 FAA/State Airport Grant. This gives the Mayor authority to sign for City with federal and state government for a grant. Motion to pass resolution was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Russell and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Motion to Proceed with Hangar #22 Ejection

Mayor Dollar called on Dan Warnes to report on the Airport Advisory Board's opinion on the vacation of Hangar 22. Mr. Warnes reported that the advisory board had voted to not renew the tenant in hangar 22 based on what FAA required for an active hangar. Mr. Polletta has had 4 years to clean out the hangar and the board recommended giving him 60 days to clean it out or be ejected. The next person on the list was not considered and neither of the parties attended the board meeting. Mr. Polletta objected to the report by the Airport manager Gary McIlquham to the advisory board, but turned in the key to the hangar. Councilman Russell made a motion to proceed with the ejection, Councilman Whitaker seconded and was passed on a voice vote with Councilman Wilson abstaining.

Motion to Approve the assignment of Crazy Cazboy's

Mayor Dollar called on Dan Warnes to present approval of the assignment of Crazy Cazboy's Guntersville LLC commercial development agreement to Mike's Merchandise, Inc. Mr. Warnes reported that recently Mike's Merchandise had bought out Crazy Cazboy's bin business and planned to run it in the same manner. The City had an agreement to rebate a portion of the sales tax up to \$300,000 or 4 years in order to pay for improvements to the building and grounds in order for the business to be started at this location. This rebate will continue on the bin sales only as agreed upon in the original agreement. Motion to agree to assignment was made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Watkins and passed on a voice vote with Mayor Dollar abstaining.

Consider Barge Engineering Letter Regarding Change Order on Phase I

Mayor Dollar called on Call on Garrett Younanian of Barge Engineering to consider Barge Engineering letter regarding the change order on Phase I of the Recreation Center improvements. Garrett presented a letter to Chorba Construction stating the request of the change order be denied, the change of days to complete to be changed from 300 days to 564 be approved and state that the full bid price be paid to Chorba. Motion to approve the letter was made by Councilman Whitaker and seconded by Councilman Watkins and passed on by a voice vote with Mayor Dollar abstaining and Councilman Wilson voting no.

Consider Approval of Change Order for Beach Restrooms

Mayor Dollar called on Matt Bryant to report on a change order on the beach restrooms. Matt reported that upon excavation for the new 10-person restroom at the beach, it was discovered that the correct fall could not be achieved and that a grinder needed to be installed. The cost of the change order was \$29,370.00 with Brindley Construction. Motion for approval of change order for beach restrooms was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Whitaker and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Special Event Permit for QSC Promos LLC

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to consider a Special Event Permit for QSC Promos LLC DBA Alabama Beer Promotions for River Rocks Soiree located at River Rocks Plantation, 3316 Hardin Road Guntersville on October 8, 2022. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Wilson and passed on the following roll call vote:

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

Public Hearing for The Soak House and Soapery

Mayor Dollar announced that this portion of the meeting would be a Public Hearing for an On and Off Premise Beer and Wine License for The Soak House and Soapery LLC DBA The Soak House and Soapery Located at 309 Blount Avenue, Guntersville AL. No one spoke in opposition or support. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Ray and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed on the following roll call vote:

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

Public Hearing for Phantastic Pho

Mayor Dollar announced that this portion of the meeting would be a Public Hearing for a Restaurant Liquor License for Phantastic Pho LLC DBA Phantastic Pho Located at 1906 Gunter Avenue, Guntersville AL. No one spoke in opposition or support. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Watkins and seconded by Councilman Ray and passed on the following roll call vote:

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

Set a Public Hearing for La Esquina Cocina

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to Set a Public Hearing for a Restaurant Liquor License for Plaoma LLC DBA La Esquina Cocina Located at 2469 Paddle Wheel Drive Suite 1A, Guntersville AL. Motion to set hearing was made by Councilman Whitaker and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Board Appointments

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to reappoint the following to the Airport Advisory Board: Michael Kirkpatrick, Martha West, Darwyn Spivey, Darris McCarrel, Brian Webb and Evan Brown. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Russell and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Reschedule September 5th Meeting

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to reschedule September 5th meeting due to holiday to September 6th. Motion to approve change was made by Councilman Russell and seconded by Councilman Ray and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Announcements:

- Comprehensive Plan is at several locations and Mayor Dollar asked for Citizen participation.
- Meeting with Council and Sanitation this week to discuss sanitation concerns and asked the public to be patient.
- Councilman Russell reminded the public to support and volunteer at the Wildcat Pantry.
- Veterans Park site study is in progress

Public Comments

Eddie Allen of Willow Beach Road requested extra bathroom boxes for Labor Day because he had noticed the long lines on other holiday weekends.

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 September 6th 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 6th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022

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

LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK