

**Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of Guntersville, Alabama
Monday, October 2nd 2023 at 12:00 p.m.**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Guntersville, Alabama met in a pre-meeting in City Hall in said city on October 2nd 2023 at 11:30 a.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. Afterwards in a regular meeting in Town Hall at 12:00 p.m. Mayor Dollar presided as Chairman. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins, Larry Wilson, John Myers, Dink Myers, Rich Russell and Randy Whitaker. Carson Ray was absent. 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 September 15th 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 on Renea Rowan who gave the following Personnel Report:

Police Department: Lt. Roy Brown selected Christian Slusher to fill the open position of Jailer. Mr. Slusher began employment as a FT employee on 9/18/23.

Sanitation: Jamie Bishop, Refuse Manager, select Norman Price to fill the open position of Driver. Mr. Price began employment as a FT employee on 9/25/23. Motion to accept report was made by Councilman Whitaker and seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution for Airport Grant

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1344** to approve airport grant application. The project amount is \$1,140,625.00 with a City match of \$640,625.00. This application is for a \$500,000 grant to build 10 T hangars and this resolution allows the Mayor to apply for said grant. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution for 3rd Party Transportation for Public Transportation

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1345** to approve the annual Third-Party Transportation Services for Public Transportation. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Watkins and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution for 3rd Party Transportation for Senior Center

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1346** to approve the annual Third-Party Transportation Services for the Senior Center. Motion to approve was made by Councilman John Myers and seconded by Councilman Whitaker and passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Ordinance to Approve Redistricting

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion on an ordinance to approve the redistricting of the Voting Districts, this was introduced at the last meeting. Mayor Dollar explained that each time after a census the districts were examined and must be within a 5% range based on population, not voters. Census blocks cannot be split. An outside company is hired to do the revisions. Councilman Wilson made a motion to carry over one more time, seconded by Councilman Whitaker and motion was passed unanimously by a voice vote of all Councilmember present.

Annexation Request for 659 Buck Island Drive

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion on **Ordinance No. 1142** to approve an annexation request by Steve and Holly Carver for Property Located at 659 Buck Island Drive, Guntersville AL 35976. This has been recommended by the Planning Commission. This was introduced last meeting and is ready for action. Mayor Dollar read a portion of the description of the property recorded in Book 6733, page 119 at Marshall Co. Courthouse with the remainder to be incorporated as if set out in full. Motion to approve annexation was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Annexation Request for 761 Buck Island Drive

Mayor Dollar entertain a motion on **Ordinance No. 1143** to approve an annexation request by Shane Vandergriff for Property Located at 761 Buck Island Drive, Guntersville AL 35976. This has been recommended by the Planning Commission. This was introduced last meeting and is ready for action. Mayor Dollar read a portion of the description of the property recorded in Book 2, pages 162-163 at Marshall Co. Courthouse with the remainder to be incorporated as if set out in full. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Public Hearing for Circle K Rezone Request

Mayor Dollar announced that this portion of the meeting would be a public hearing for Circle K Stores Inc DBA Circle K Store 2709327 for Off Premise Beer and Wine License located at 20146 Hwy 431, Guntersville AL 35976. This is the current Mapco that has a change of ownership. No one spoke in Opposition or Support. Motion to Approve was made by Councilman Whitaker and seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and was passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Announcements:

- The Council is to tour the new High School construction after the meeting.
- Pinta is at the Harbor until October 8th
- Whole Back Stage has new play: Bright Star
- Merchants Fall Festival October 13th and 14th
- MVAC concerts in park each Thursday

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 October 16th 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Guntersville Town Hall

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 16th DAY OF October, 2023

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

LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK