

**Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of Guntersville, Alabama
Tuesday, October 13th 2025 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 13th 2025 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: Larry Wilson, John Myers, Dink Myers, and Rich Russell. Sanchez Watkins, Carson Ray and Randy Whitaker were absent. Betty Jones acted as City Clerk for the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Rich Russell. Mayor Dollar welcomed visitors and declared that a quorum was present and opened the meeting for business.

Mayor Dollar announced that copies of the minutes from the September 15th and September 30th Meetings have been distributed to the members of the Council. There being no corrections or additions to the minutes, there was a motion to approve made by Councilman Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman Russell and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Personnel Report: Mayor Dollar called on Renea Rowan to give the personnel report:

Fire Department: Chief Brian Walls recommends applicant Samuel Jackson to fill the vacant position of Firefighter. Mr. Jackson accepted our offer. His start date has not been determined at this time. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman John Myers, seconded by Councilman Wilson and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Approve Budget Change at Senior Center

Mayor introduced **Resolution No. 1464** to approve budget changes for Senior Center CDBG Grant due to cost overruns. As a result an adjustment to the project budget must be made. The total cost will be \$2,123,540.00 and local match will be increased \$144,060.00. This is simply a paperwork only adjustment to get the correct figures for the grant. There was a motion to approve the resolution made by Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Approve the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with ALDOT for Sidewalk Improvements

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1465** to approve the Mayor to enter into an agreement with ALDOT for sidewalk improvements from Gunter Ave to the Guntersville Levee Trail Phase I. This is an \$800,000.00 TAP grant with a \$200,000.00 City match. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Approve Yearly Bids

Mayor Dollar introduced Resolution No.1466 to Accept Yearly Bids Read a list as follows:

Ready Mix Concrete: Kirkpatrick Concrete
Crushed Limestone: Grayson Carter & Langford (based on availability)
Plant Mix 424: Vulcan Materials
Traffic Striping: J. C. Cheek
Hot Bituminous: Vulcan Materials

There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Surplus Trucks for the Fire Department and Public Works

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1467** to surplus trucks for Fire Department and Public Works to be sold on govdeals.com:

Fire Department

2018 Red Chevrolet SSV 4x4 Tahoe VIN: 1GNSKFECOJR220168

Public Works Department

2010 Chevrolet Silverado Truck VIN: 1GCPCPEAXAZ271287

2010 Chevrolet Silverado Truck VIN: 1GCPCPEA7AZ138258

There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Change a Road Name at Conners Island

Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1468** to rename a short portion of road entering Conners Island Parkway West from Conners Island Parkway to JST Way per JST Corporation's Request. This street name is consistent with the addresses at their other locations in the US. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Russell seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approve Maintenance and Lighting Agreement at Brown's Creek Boat Ramp

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion to approve Brown's Creek Boat Ramp Maintenance and Lighting agreement with the State. This will now be maintained by the City. There was a motion to approve was made by Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Dink Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approve Change Order for Work at Kiwanis Pier

Mayor Dollar called on Emmett Smith. to explain a Change Order for Work at Kiwanis Pier consisting of the following:

- 1) Pile reconciliation assuming the depth of each piling would be 10 feet—some were deeper, some less. This was monitored by a GeoTech firm and resulted in an additional cost of \$15,545.00.
- 2) Eagle protection: A complaint by a citizen required an Eagle Disturbance Permit to be obtained and the contractor constructing a sound barrier and to move barges as he drove the pilings in resulting in an additional cost of \$11,375.80 for a total of \$26,920.80.

Councilman Russell asked for Mr. Smith to comment on the pier contractor and Mr. Smith stated he was impressed by the quality of his work. The pier is level, pilings consistent and the types of equipment he used and the materials were all excellent. There was a motion to approve made the change order was made by Councilman Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approve Job Project Trailer Located at Spring Creek Pointe

Ainsworth Construction has asked permission to place a job project trailer at each phase of Spring Creek Pointe as it is built until project is complete. Councilman Russell asked Cheryl Smythe if this was in the City’s interest. Mrs. Smythe stated that the unit was suitable and a permit was required in order to place it at the job site with the City’s permission. There was a motion to approve made by C. Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman Russell and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approve Charter Franchise Agreement

Mayor Dollar entertained a motion approve the Charter Franchise Agreement. Charter Representative Will Edwards reported that the boxes had been fixed that were reported by Councilman Wilson, that he had reported the Councilman Russell that Guntersville had a fewer outages than other cities and most of Guntersville’s were due to power outages and reported to Councilman Dink Myers that a constitute was offered at cost share that he did not accept to obtain Charter.

Councilman Russell made a motion to table to the next meeting to have more council to vote. Motion was seconded by John Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Approve Unity Fiber Agreement

Mayor Dollar called on Tim Gallagher of Unity Fiber who introduced the Unity Fiber franchise agreement explaining that they were a broadband middle mile provider. The group has an agreement for funding that must be approved on October 27th and asked the Council to suspend the rules for immediate consideration. Councilman Russell stated that he had a conflict because his daughter works for the same type company and it was unethical for him to vote either way on the franchise and without his vote the council did not have enough members to pass an Ordinance. This will be carried over to the next meeting.

Board Appointments

Mayor Dollar recommended the following Board Appointments:

- Board of Adjustments:
- Jonathan Pfieffer – Reappoint
- Cameron Troilo - Reappoint
- Gaylon Hamilton – Reappoint
- Jay Ronca - Reappoint
- Brittany Harvey - Appoint
- Austin Baker – Appoint

IBD: Jana Steen

Airport: Michael Kirkpatrick and Nicholas Woods Reappoint

There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Dink Myers, seconded by Councilman John Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present. .

Announcements:

- Fall Historical Pilgrimage October 24th and 25th
- MVA Fall Concerts in the Park every Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Road Warriors will be visiting our Veterans Park October 20th at 2:15pm and the public is invited.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting on motion made by Councilman Dink Myers and seconded by Councilman Russell, stood adjourned until October 27th 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at Guntersville Town Hall

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 13th DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

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

LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

**ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK**