Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of Guntersville, Alabama
Monday, June 15th 2026 at 5:00 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 June 15th 4:30 p.m. to discuss matters to come before the Council. Afterwards in a regular meeting in Town Hall at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Dollar presided as Chairman. The following members of the Council were present: Sanchez Watkins Richard Manley, John Myers, Joe Cagle, Rudy Cornelius, and Pete Sparks. Jason Jones was absent. Betty Jones acted as City Clerk for the meeting. Councilman Manley led the Pledge of Allegiance. 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 June 1st 2026 meeting 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 Sparks, seconded by Councilman Myers, and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Personnel Report: Mayor Dollar called upon in Renea Rowan to read the Personnel Report:
Sanitation Department: Jamie Bishop selected applicant Tyler Black to fill the open position of Driver. Mr. Black accepted our job offer and he began his full-time employment on 6/11/26.
Fire Department: An interviewing committee selected applicant Trevor Bowen to fill the upcoming vacancy of a position of Firefighter/EMT. Mr. Bowen accepted our job offer and is scheduled to begin his full-time employment 6/16/26. Mr. Bowen will be required successfully complete Alabama Fire College.
Police Department: An interviewing committee selected applicants Colton James Holt, Logan Richard Erby, and James Nicholas Clifton to fill the vacant positions of Police Officer. All applicants accepted our job offer and are scheduled to begin their full-time employment on 6/22/26, and will be required to successfully complete the AL Peace Officers Academy.
Parks & Recreation: The City's pools and splash pad open on 5/24/26. Approximately 24 new Lifeguards and approximately 24 returning Lifeguards were made job offers in order to maintain daily operations. The pool season is from Memorial Day through Labor Day. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Cornelius, seconded by Councilman Watkins and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Surplus a Trailer and Bush Hog for the Public Works Department
Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1495** to surplus a trailer and bush hog for the Public Works Department to be sold to the Marshall County Gas Board consisting of a 2019 Better Built 25 ton trailer and a 10 foot single flex wing bush hog. Mayor Dollar explained these items had been surplused at the last meeting but were to be sold on GovDeals but would now be sold to the Gas Board at fair market price with the permission from the Council. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Cornelius, seconded by Councilman Manley and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Resolution to Approve Retiree Lump Sum Longevity Bonus
Mayor Dollar introduced **Resolution No. 1496** to approve retiree Lump Sum Longevity Bonus. This provides $12 for each year of service and the cost to City is $25,132.00. Mayor Dollar explained that the Legislature recommends the one time bonuses for the retirees, but it must be funded by the cities. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Watkins, seconded by Councilman Myers and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Fire Apparatus Antitrust Litigation Professional Services
Mayor Dollar called on P. J. Harris explain to the council how to employ Beard & Beard, Friedman, Dazzio & Zulanan to represent City in Fire Truck litigation. Mr. Harris stated that this was Fire Apparatus Antitrust Litigation Professional Services to pursue damages to the City that had purchases 4 fire trucks in the last 10 years and that there had been improper collusion by the 3 top manufacturers to control prices and availability. There will be no cost to City. Councilman Watkins asked it this would slow down a purchase we have on order now and Mr. Harris said it would not. There was a motion to approve made by Councilman Manley, seconded by Councilman Cagle and passed by a voice vote of all Councilmembers present.

Ordinance to Amend Current Building Code Ordinance
Mayor Dollar entertained a motion act on an Ordinance introduced at last council meeting to Amend Current Building Code Ordinance and called on Eric Self. Mr. Self stated that this would adopt the 2021 code and will automatically update our codes as the State adopts new codes. An exception was made to omit the residential fire sprinkler systems. There was a motion to approve **Ordinance No. 1170** made by Councilman Cornelius, seconded by Councilman Sparks and passed by the following roll call vote:

1.	Sanchez Watkins	Yes	5.	Joe Cagle	Yes
2.	Richard Manley	Yes	6.	Rudy Cornelius	Yes
3.	John Myers	Yes	7.	Pete Sparks	Yes
4.	Jason Jones	Absent	8.	Leigh Dollar	Yes

Annex Request by Seibold Creek LLC
Mayor Dollar introduced a request by Seibold Creek LLC to annex property located at 22701 Highway 431 S to be zoned as BG-1A. This will be the first reading and will be acted upon at the next Council Meeting.

Annex Request by D3R Enterprises LLC
Mayor Dollar introduced a request by D3R Enterprises LLC to annex property located at 4015, 4017 and 4035 Alabama Highway 69 to be zoned as RS-2. This will be the first reading and will be acted upon at the next Council Meeting.

Announcements:
- State wide Election Tomorrow
- Saturday there will be concerts at the LB Wallace Pavilion and one at Pier 1936
- Ukesters will play at the Museum Thursday 5-7
- Fireworks will be held on July 4 at 9 pm at the Bill Moore Park
- City Offices will be closed July 3rd

Councilman Sparks asked Chief Darnell why we hired 3 officers at once? Chief Darnell stated that these were replacements that had left over a period of time and he did not have 3 quit together and noted that another retirement will be coming soon.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council at this time, the meeting on motion made by Councilman Watkins and seconded by Councilman Myers, stood adjourned until July 6th 2026 at 12:00 p.m. at Guntersville Town Hall

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2026.

CITY OF GUNTERSVILLE, ALABAMA
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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LEIGH DOLLAR, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
BETTY JONES, CITY CLERK