

TOWN OF
HARPERSVILLE
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COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call via Zoom
May 4, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Proper notice of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Harpersville Town Council was given in advance of such public meeting and the notice remained posted throughout the scheduled meeting.

Date: May 4, 2020
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: Conference Call via Zoom
Present: Mayor Don Greene
Councilmember Beverly O. Johnson
Councilmember Martin Dates
Councilmember Sheila K. Rich
Councilmember William Rayfield
Councilmember Janet Gill

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Greene called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Councilmember Johnson led the invocation. Mayor Greene respectfully asked for those in attendance on tonight's conference call to recite the Pledge of Allegiance in their heart.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The following elected officials were present:

Mayor Don Greene
Councilmember Beverly O. Johnson
Councilmember Martin Dates
Councilmember Sheila K. Rich
Councilmember William Rayfield
Councilmember Janet Gill

It was noted for the record a quorum of the town council was present.

APPROVAL OF TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve the town council agenda for May 4, 2020. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members of the council present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the regular council meeting minutes from April 20, 2020. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Greene called for a roll call vote:

Don Greene, Mayor	<u>Yes</u>
Beverly O. Johnson, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Martin Dates, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

APPROVAL OF INVOICE REPORT

The Town Clerk/Treasurer presented the invoice report. Councilmember Rich made a motion to approve the report as submitted. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Greene called for a roll call vote:

Don Greene, Mayor	<u>Yes</u>
Beverly O. Johnson, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Martin Dates, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Abstain</u>

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police Department:

Police Chief Jimmy Macon stated the police department received 210 calls for service during the month of April 2020. He noted the amount of traffic through town has increased due to the resurfacing project on U.S. Highway 280.

Fire Department:

Fire Chief Heath Confer said there was no report from the fire department.

PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR – None

PUBLIC HEARING – None

REQUEST(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL – None

OLD BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2020-05-04-01** for consideration to authorize the Mayor, on behalf of the Town, to enter into an agreement with The Center for Municipal Solutions (CMS) for wireless telecommunication consulting services was introduced by Mayor Greene.

Mayor Greene called on Town Clerk/Treasurer Jonathan Seale to review the agreement with the town council. Mr. Seale said this agreement would allow the town to seek outside expertise as the new small cell facilities come online. He said this is a great opportunity for the town and will be advantageous for years to come. Mayor Greene said an ordinance specific to telecommunications would be brought for council consideration at a future meeting.

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-05-04-01 and Councilmember Rich seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Greene called for a roll call vote:

Don Greene, Mayor	<u>Yes</u>
Beverly O. Johnson, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Martin Dates, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-05-04-01 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the mayor declared the same passed.

2. **Resolution 2020-05-04-02** for consideration to participate in the State of Alabama’s 2020 “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday the weekend of July 17-19, 2020 was introduced by Mayor Greene.

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-05-04-02 and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Greene called for a roll call vote:

Don Greene, Mayor	<u>Yes</u>
Beverly O. Johnson, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Martin Dates, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-05-04-02 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the mayor declared the same passed.

3. Review lease extension for Cardwell Golf dba The Meadows Golf Course at Harpersville

Mayor Greene stated the Town of Harpersville and Cardwell Golf entered into a 10-year lease agreement in March 2017. He said due to unforeseen construction delays the golf course is not 100% operational. He said the lease extension is for an additional two years at a reduced cost. Mayor Greene noted this item was for discussion only and no action would be taken tonight. It was the consensus of those members of the council present to consider the lease extension, by resolution, at a future council meeting.

COUNCIL AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Greene reported on the following items:

1. Asked all members of the town council to spread the word about Census 2020 and encourage Harpersville citizens to participate.
2. The Harpersville Municipal Court will move their proceedings to the Community Center for the perceivable future. He said the Community Center offers more space to adhere to the guidelines and recommendations from health officials. Using funds from the Municipal Court and the Shelby County grant, modifications will be made to the Community Center to accommodate the court proceedings.
3. The new roof and siding have been installed on the maintenance building adjacent to Town Hall. All exterior painting on Town Hall was completed this morning. All other exterior repairs have been completed. He said the town has not received the final invoice for the project. It was the consensus of those members of the council present to proceed with other exterior improvements at the police department and maintenance building. Mayor Greene noted all expenditures for these projects were being paid utilizing the restricted capital improvement fund.
4. Thanked all department heads for limiting expenditures during this time.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The 2020 Census is happening now. You can respond online (my2020census.gov), by phone (844-330-2020), or by U.S. Mail.

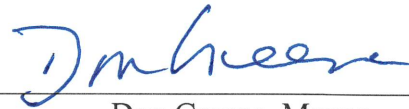
ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Gill moved to adjourn the conference call and Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the conference call was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 4th day of May 2020,



Jonathan Seale, Town Clerk/Treasurer



Don Greene, Mayor

