



COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers – Harpersville Town Hall
October 7, 2019 – 5:30 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: October 7, 2019
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: Harpersville Town Hall
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 5:30 p.m. William Carter led the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chase Rohler representing Boy Scout Troop 588.

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 Rayfield made a motion to approve the town council agenda for October 7, 2019. Councilmember Gill 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>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve and dispense of the reading of the regular council meeting minutes from September 16, 2019. Councilmember Dates 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 Gill made a motion to approve the report as submitted. Councilmember Dates 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>
William Rayfield, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police Department:

Police Chief Jimmy Macon stated the department received 457 calls for service for the month of September and issued 236 citations. Chief Macon asked all citizens to please follow the traffic laws especially those which apply to school buses.

Fire Department:

Firefighter Felix Dunn stated the burn ban is still in effect and encouraged everyone to practice common sense once the burn ban is lifted.

Library:

Library Director Marsha Moore stated the library hosted their first 4-H Club meeting and had a total attendance of 19 children.

PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR – None

PUBLIC HEARING – None

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

1. Shelby County Arts Council

Bruce Andrews, Executive Director, addressed the council. Mr. Andrews said they are nearing completion on The Shelby County Arts Center (SCAC). This will be the centerpiece of a 30,000 square foot municipal complex. SCAC will occupy 20,000 square feet of the complex exclusively. The project is made possible by collaboration between Shelby County, the City of Columbiana, and The Shelby County Arts Council. He stated he wants all municipalities to be a part of this endeavor and partner with one another. He said this is achieved by all the partners sharing and attending each other's events. He thanked the council for their time and for allowing him to speak tonight.

2. Jennifer Cardwell, The Meadows at Harpersville

Mrs. Cardwell was not in attendance due to an unforeseen circumstance.

3. Dr. Michele Edwards, Principal, Vincent Middle High School

Dr. Edwards thanked the council for the opportunity to speak tonight. She stated the information before the council included a culmination of capital improvement items which was created with input from the faculty and staff. She said she is seeking financial assistance from the municipalities of Harpersville, Westover, and Vincent. She clarified the school is comprised of students from these communities. One of the projects the school is undertaking is the construction of a student training facility which will be utilized by all sports and physical education classes. It is the goal of the school to have this facility ready for student use in the summer of 2020. Vincent Middle High School senior J.T. Youngblood addressed the council and spoke to the need of this facility. He mentioned this facility will be a great addition to the school and community. Dr. Edwards stated the coaches and staff will all be certified for weight and strength conditioning programs. The facility will also house the school's athletic trainer. Dr. Edwards thanked Mayor Greene and the council for their time and consideration.

OLD BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2019-09-16-02** for consideration to approve a new hire for the Harpersville Police Department

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2019-09-16-02 and Councilmember Rayfield 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 2019-09-16-02 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve the hiring of the following individuals for the Harpersville Police Department contingent upon the adoption of a resolution affirming said motion at the next council meeting:

Jeanie Waldrup (Reserve)
Justin Reeser (Full-Time)
Christopher Lindsay (Full-Time)

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rayfield. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote of those members present.

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2019-10-07-01** for consideration to approve a monetary donation to Vincent Middle High School

Councilmember Johnson moved to adopt Resolution 2019-10-07-01 and Councilmember Dates 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 2019-10-07-01 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

COUNCIL AND PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Town of Harpersville will host the 6th Annual Harpersville Day on November 9, 2019 beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Harpersville Municipal Park. All are welcome to attend and enjoy the festivities of live music, food, and a program to honor the community's veterans.
2. The Town of Harpersville in conjunction with the Shelby County Chamber will host Coffee with the Mayor on October 24, 2019 at the Harpersville Community Center at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Rayfield moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Gill seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 7th day of October 2019,


Jonathan Seale, Town Clerk/Treasurer


Don Greene, Mayor

