



**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Council Chambers – Harpersville Town Hall**  
**December 2, 2019 – 4:30 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:** December 2, 2019  
**Time:** 4:30 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 4:35 p.m. Councilmember Dates led the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Lt. Diane McCain.

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 Rich made a motion to add the consideration of a grant application for Census 2020 through Shelby County Community Services and to approve the town council agenda for December 2, 2019. Councilmember Rayfield 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 MINUTES

Councilmember Rich made a motion to approve and dispense of the reading of the regular council meeting minutes from November 18, 2019. Councilmember Rayfield 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 Rich 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>

## DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Police Department:

Lt. Diane McCain the police department received 540 calls for service and issued 357 citations for the month of November 2019. Mayor Greene noted there has been a large amount of traffic on U.S. Highway 280. Lt. McCain confirmed the unusually large volume of traffic passing through town. She encouraged everyone to adhere to the posted speed limit and always exercise caution. Mayor Greene added there were 20 citations issued for failures to stop for school buses. Lt. McCain said this has been an ongoing issue.

### PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR – None

### PUBLIC HEARING – None

### REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL – None

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

### NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2019-12-02-01** for consideration to adopt the Town of Harpersville Building Permit Process and Inspection Schedule

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2019-12-02-01 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 2019-12-02-01 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

2. **Resolution 2019-12-02-02** for consideration to approve reappointments to the following Harpersville boards: Cemetery, Planning & Zoning, Water Board

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2019-12-02-02 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 2019-12-02-02 passed unanimously by roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

3. **Ordinance 2019-12-02** for consideration to establish the compensation of the Mayor and Town Councilmembers (First Reading)

Mayor Greene called on Town Clerk/Treasurer Jonathan Seale to read Ordinance 2019-12-02 in its entirety as a First Reading.

This ordinance will likely be considered by the town council at a future town council meeting.

4. Census 2020 Grant Application

Mayor Greene said Shelby County Community Services is offering a \$250.00 grant to aid with Census 2020. He requested the council consider the approval of the application.

Councilmember Gill moved to approve the grant application 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>

## COUNCIL AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Greene recalled the tragic accident discussed at the last council meeting involving a pedestrian being struck and killed by a vehicle in Harpersville. He noted there have been inquiries to place street lights on this particularly dark section of Gallups Crossroads. Mayor Greene said he inspected the area and agreed it is dark. Lt. McCain stated the individual who was struck by the vehicle was wearing dark clothing and has been known to walk the streets and step in front of traffic. She added a street light would most likely not have prevented the accident. Mayor Greene said this is not a matter of cost. He added if one street light could save a life, there would be no question. He said a multitude of factors contributed to this unfortunate accident and the area would continue to be evaluated.

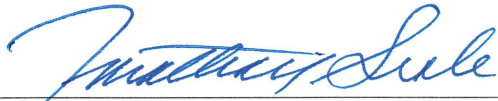
## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The City of Vincent will host its annual Christmas parade on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Harpersville Town Offices will be closed on Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday, December 25th in observance of Christmas.

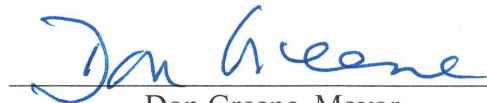
## ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Gill moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Rayfield seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of December 2019,



Jonathan Seale, Town Clerk/Treasurer



Don Greene, Mayor

