



**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Harpersville Community Center**  
**January 6, 2020 – 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:** January 6, 2020  
**Time:** 5:30 p.m.  
**Place:** Harpersville Community Center  
**Present:** Mayor Don Greene  
Councilmember Beverly O. Johnson  
Councilmember Martin Dates  
Councilmember Sheila K. Rich  
Councilmember Janet Gill

**Not Present:** Councilmember William Rayfield

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Greene called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Councilmember Dates 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 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 approve the town council agenda for January 6, 2020. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. Mayor Greene called for a roll call vote:

Don Greene, Mayor Yes

Beverly O. Johnson, Councilmember Yes

Martin Dates, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve and dispense of the reading of the regular council meeting minutes from December 16, 2019. 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>
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>
Sheila K. Rich, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

#### DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Police Department:

Police Chief Jimmy Macon stated violence of all categories is increasing and it is estimated 2020 might be a record year. He mentioned it is important now more than ever to carry a firearm for protective purposes. Chief Macon alluded to the recent church shooting in Texas where an armed citizen took action and was able to stop the active shooter. He encouraged everyone to take notice of their surroundings and always be alert.

Councilmember Dates asked Chief Macon if police officers are required to administer a certain number of warnings each month. Chief Macon stated there is no quota system. The State of Alabama gives police officers discretion as to whether they give a verbal warning, written warning, or a citation.

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 2020-01-06-01** for consideration to appoint a judge for the Harpersville Municipal Court

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-01 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>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-01 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

Mayor Greene administered the Municipal Court Judge Oath of Office to Mr. Shaw.

2. **Resolution 2020-01-06-02** for consideration to accept the dedication of certain public street(s) and rights-of-way located within the town limits of Harpersville, Alabama

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-02 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>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-02 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

3. **Resolution 2020-01-06-03** for consideration to adopt an employment agreement between new employees in the Fire and Police Departments and the Town of Harpersville

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-03 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>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-03 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

4. **Resolution 2020-01-06-04** for consideration to authorize a grant application on behalf of the Harpersville Fire Department

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-04 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>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-04 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

5. **Resolution 2020-01-06-05** for consideration to authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer to attend continuing education courses

Councilmember Gill moved to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-05 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>
Janet Gill, Councilmember	<u>Yes</u>

The motion to adopt Resolution 2020-01-06-05 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of those members present and the Mayor declared the same passed.

COUNCIL AND PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Harpersville Town Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
2. The January 20, 2020 Council Work Session and Meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at a time to be determined.

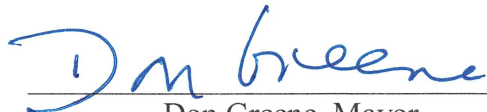
ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Gill moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Rich seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of January 2020,



Jonathan Seale, Town Clerk/Treasurer



Don Greene, Mayor

