

COUNCIL MEETING
Harpersville Community Center
November 06 2023 – 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: November 06, 2023
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: Harpersville Community Center
Present: Mayor Theoangelo Perkins
Councilmember Janet Gill
Councilmember Martin Dates
Councilmember William Carter
Councilmember Beverly Johnson

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Perkins called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Marsha Moore led the invocation. Mayor Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The following elected officials were present:

Mayor Theoangelo Perkins
Councilmember Janet Gill
Councilmember Martin Dates
Councilmember William Carter
Councilmember Beverly Johnson

Mayor Perkins stated a quorum of the Town Council was present.

APPROVAL OF TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve the Town Council Agenda with amendments for November 06, 2023 as written. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion. Mayor Perkins declared motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve the revision to regular council meeting minutes from October 02, 2023. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Perkins declared motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve regular council meeting minutes from October 16, 2023. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Mayor Perkins declared motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

The Town Clerk/Treasurer presented the invoices ready to be paid. Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve all invoices as submitted. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote with Councilmember Gill abstaining. Mayor Perkins declared motion passed

PUBLIC HEARING –

1. Harpersville 2023 ADECA Land and Water Conservation Act Grant Application

Councilmember Janet Gill made a motion to recess the Town Council meeting to go into public hearing. Councilmember Beverly Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present, and the meeting was recessed at 5:42 p.m.

Mayor Perkins read Resolution 2023-11-06-02 aloud and addressed the ADECA Land and Water Conservation Act Grant Application. Mayor Perkins stated we are proud of our small park but it needs better facilities and upgrades. By applying for these grants the Town will be able to provide a new baseball field and amenities for our citizens. Mayor expressed baseball and softball is big in our area and it will really be beneficial for our little leagues and for the community. Mayor Perkins also recognized Sam with Shelby Sod. Mr. Sam wants to partner with us to help with the development of the new fields. Mr. Sam spoke on his passion for improvements to help children and how important these facilities would be for them. Mayor stated there is another grant underway that would allow a small splash pad at the park as well.

Mickey Bird asked if lighting around the field would be included with the grant funds. Mayor Perkins replied yes. Lighting around the field and possibly around the walking track would be included.

Heidi Lee asked if this was a retro feeding grant and if the existing field would have any upgrades. Mayor Perkins stated it is a part of the grant. He did mention our Town Engineer was not present and he would be better for this question but he does believe this will include improvements to the existing field as well. Mrs. Lee asked if the new baseball field would have any agreements with CVA or would it be more available for public use. Mayor stated the new field would be more for public use. Heidi asked if CVA was helping with funding for the fields and Mayor stated they have already and will continue to help.

Councilmember Gill asked about the yearly agreement we have with CVA and the current field. She asked if that agreement is renewed yearly. Mayor Perkins stated it can be renewed annually.

Member of the public asked if the Town understands what the upkeep and maintenance would be in order to be in compliance. Mayor Perkins stated yes. The Town is prepared. Mayor Perkins stated that the perpetuity covers the land and states the money has to be used for what we apply for. In our case it would have to be used for a baseball field and would have to remain a baseball field.

April Riddle asked what kind of infield would be used, such as dirt or crushed brick. Mayor Perkins stated it will be crushed stone or crushed brick. He could not remember the term used but he stated it would not just be dirt.

Nathan Matherson asked if the Town already owned the property for the proposed field. Mayor Perkins stated yes, the Town owns roughly 21 acres at the park.

Heidi Lee asked if the Town has reached out to the county and asked for any assistance or contributions. Mayor Perkins was not sure if Milton has had conversations with the County or not but stated he would ask.

Mrs. Riddle asked if the plan is to work with Vincent youth league or to be a separate facility. Mayor Perkins stated we have not gotten to that point yet but is something we can discuss. Harpersville wants to work with other communities and if we feel that is the best route to go then yes, Harpersville will work together to provide a more facilities for that youth program. He also wants to provide more practice fields for the area. Mrs. Riddle suggested something for youth football and to think about that as well. Mayor Perkins shared a thought that the Town helped provide the track at the elementary school and that could be a potential area for a youth football field.

Councilmember Janet Gill made a motion to adjourn the public hearing and continue regular scheduled meeting. Councilmember William Carter seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of those members present, and the meeting was recessed at 5:58 p.m.

PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR – None

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL - None

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS –

1. **Resolution 2023-10-02-01** - Accepting quote from Davlin Transportation for additional services at the Meadows Golf Course – REVISION

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve revisions to Resolution 2023-10-02-01. Councilmember Carter seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

2. **Resolution 2023-10-16-01** – AMIC cyber security

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-10-16-01 to continue AMIC cyber security coverage at cost. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

NEW BUSINESS / RESOLUTIONS / ORDINANCES / ORDERS and OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Resolution 2023-11-06-01** – Accept quote from Shelby County to pave multiple roads within Harpersville Town Limits and allocate specific funds for the cost of construction.

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-11-06-01 to accept the paving quote from Shelby County pending the measurements and amendments. Motion includes passing the quote without the need to bring the amendments back before the council. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

2. **Resolution 2023-11-06-02** – Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs grant application.

Councilmember Carter made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-11-06-02 to apply for the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs grant. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

3. **Resolution 2023-11-06-03** – Accept Recommendation by Town Engineer to cease any further work and payments regarding Davlin Construction, Seek funds from Bonding company, and seek an alternative company to complete any future paving projects

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-11-06-03 to accept Town Engineer, Milton Warnock's recommendation as it pertains to the paving construction with Davlin Transportation. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

4. **Resolution 2023-1-06-04** – to amend the 2024 fiscal year budget for the purpose of transferring old general fund reserves into the current general fund account.

Councilmember Gill made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-11-06-03 to transfer funds from old general fund to new general fund. Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Perkins declared the same.

COUNCIL AND PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

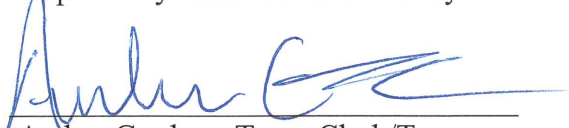
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The next meeting of the Harpersville Town Council will be held at The Harpersville Community Center with a Work Session on Monday, November 20, 2023 at 5:00pm., with the regular Council meeting to follow at 5:30 p.m.
2. The next meeting of the Harpersville Water Board will be held at the Harpersville Community Center with a Work Session on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 4:30 p.m., with a regular board meeting to follow at 5:00 p.m.
3. The next meeting of the Harpersville Planning and Zoning Board will be held at The Harpersville Community Center on Monday, November 20, 2023 at 6:15p.m.
4. The Harpersville Town Council and Christmas committee will have cookies and hot chocolate available to the public following their regular scheduled meeting held on Monday, December 4th, 2023.
5. Mayor Perkins recognized all Veterans present and thanked them for their service.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the council, Councilmember Gill moved to adjourn the council meeting and Councilmember Dates seconded the motion. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously by those members present and the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of November 2023,


Amber Gardner, Town Clerk/Treasurer


Theoangelo Perkins, Mayor

