

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF HARTSELLE, ALABAMA
April 26, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Hartselle, Alabama, met in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, inside the Assembly Room at the Hartselle Municipal Building, located at 611 Chestnut Street NW. Council President Kenny Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

City Attorney, Larry Madison, gave the invocation. Mayor Randy Garrison led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were present for the meeting: Council President Kenny Thompson, Council Members Dwight Tankersley, Virginia Alexander, Chuck Gill and Ken Doss. Mayor Randy Garrison, City Attorney Larry Madison and City Clerk-Controller Rita S. Lee, who also acted as Secretary for the meeting, were present for the meeting. Having a quorum present, Council President Thompson declared the proceedings open for business.

Council President Thompson called for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Council Member Doss motioned to approve the minutes as presented; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the first item on the agenda, Ordinance 1567, a rezoning request for Vest Road, and called on City Planner Jeremy Griffith to discuss with the Council. Mr. Griffith explained this ordinance is for introduction only. If adopted, it will rezone 40 acres (four 10-acre tracts) on Vest Road from R-1 to AG-1. This change is not shown in the current Comprehensive Plan, but the new owner does not have further development plans, and wishes to have limited livestock on the property. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation at its May 3 meeting. Council Member Alexander motioned to introduce Ordinance 1567; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked Mr. Griffith to address the next item on the agenda, Ordinance 1568, a request for rezoning on Nanceford Road. Mr. Griffith explained this ordinance is also for introduction only. If adopted, it will rezone 6 acres on Nanceford Road from AG -1 to R-1. The owners are requesting this change in order to divide the property into two tracts, each being less than five acres in area. This change is in conformance with the current Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation at its May 3 meeting. Council Member Doss motioned to introduce Ordinance 1568; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked Mr. Griffith to address the next item on the agenda, Resolution 22-0426, Cain Park, Phase 1A easement vacate. Mr. Griffith explained if adopted, it will vacate easements along the rear and side lot lines of 9 lots in Cain Park, Phase 1A. These easements were dedicated by plat note (not shown on plat drawing) and are not needed or desired by the City. This errant plat notation was not caught until after the plat was recorded with the county. There is no infrastructure within these easements, and no future need for the easement is foreseen. Council Member Doss motioned to adopt Resolution 22-0426; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, approval of quarterly Safety Award Winners. Mr. Griffith came forward to present the request from each department. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve the Safety Award Winners; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, a budget adjustment and transfers for Parks & Recreation, and called on Sports Coordinator Thomas Phillips to discuss with the Council. Mr. Phillips explained he would like to ask for an adjustment of \$33,518.44 to be added to Building and Grounds Maintenance. This will cover the cost of the rock used for the construction of the new parking lot base on the Barkley Bridge end of Groover Road soccer

complex. Council Member Doss motioned to approve Parks & Recreation budget adjustment; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, request to declare items surplus for Administration, and called on Mayor Garrison to discuss with the Council. Mayor Garrison presented the request which was for about 20 used cell phones that have been upgraded. The older phones will be listed on GovDeals for sale (see attached list.) Council Member Doss motioned to approve item surplus for Administration; Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the last item on the agenda, a request to declare items surplus for the Police Department and called on Chief Justin Barley to discuss with the Council. Chief Barley came forward to present the request which included vehicles obtained through the Federal Governments 10-33 program, that were no longer needed. Also, out of date computers and other miscellaneous items (see attached list.) Council Member Doss motioned to approve items surplus for Police Department; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

At this time, Council President Thompson read the following announcement:

The City of Hartselle is accepting applications for positions on the following boards:

Parks & Recreation Board, one expired position, five-year term

Applications are available at the City Clerk's office in City Hall or on the City's website. Applications or resumes must be turned into the City Clerk's office or emailed by Friday, May 6, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

Council President Thompson asked for comments from the Mayor, Council Members or City Attorney. Mayor Garrison presented Service Awards to several employees. Lance Sandlin, 30 years, Public Works, David VanKoughnett 25 years, Public Works, Greg Mayfield, 25 years, Public Works and Daryl Fox 25 years, Fire Department. Mayor Garrison thanked each for one their many years of dedicated service to the City. Council Members Gill, Tankersley, Alexander and Doss congratulated each employee and thanked each of them for their years of service. City Attorney Larry Madison requested that after the meeting was adjourned, the Council meet in an Executive Session to discuss the matter of a potential or threatened lawsuit against the City. No other comments were made.

Council President Thompson asked for comments from the audience. John Roberts, candidate for public office came forward and introduced himself to the Council and asked for their support. No other comments were made.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Kenny Thompson
Council President

ATTEST:

Rita S. Lee, City Clerk - Controller