

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF HARTSELLE, ALABAMA
JUNE 28, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Hartselle, Alabama, met in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 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, June 14, 2022. Council Member Doss motioned to approve the minutes as presented; Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Garrison recognized the Hartselle Tigers 10U All-Star Team as the 2022 USSSA 10U Gold State Champions and presented each team member with a certificate. The Mayor and Council graduated the team on their accomplishment and posed for pictures.

Council President Thompson addressed the first item on the agenda, Ordinance 1572, zoning residential parking amendment, and called on City Planner Jeremy Griffith to discuss with the Council. Mr. Griffith explained this ordinance was for introduction only and if adopted, would make adjustments to the single-family residential parking requirements adopted in 2020, clarifying that the required off-street parking spaces provided must be located outside of the right-of-way. This clarification will ensure that parking space being required by the City does not include area occupied by ADA required pedestrian sidewalks. In order for this revised standard to be satisfied without forcing 5 bedrooms patio homes to be set back awkwardly from street, this ordinance also revises the required number of 8 x 16 spaces, creating a tiered system. 5 bedrooms homes would require a minimum of four off street parking spaces, and 6 plus bedrooms would trigger the "one space per bedroom" requirement. Planning Commission recommended adoption of this ordinance 5-0. Council Member Doss motioned to introduce Ordinance 1572; Council Member Alexander 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 1573, sidewalks parking regulations. Mr. Griffith explained this ordinance was for introduction only as well and if adopted, this sister ordinance to Ordinance 1572 would add a provision to the general code under Manner of Parking, specifically stating that parking that obstructs a sidewalk, pedestrian crossing/ramp, or driveway is prohibited. This provision is intended to allow the City a means of ensuring that ADA required sidewalks are kept clear of vehicle obstructions. He also stated that since this provision does not fall within the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Commission does not make a formal recommendation. Council Member Gill motioned to introduce Ordinance 1573; Council Member Doss seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, public hearing for FY2022 Community Development Block Grant, and called on Director of Development Jeff Johnson to discuss with the Council. Mr. Johnson explained the CDBG Program and the proposed applications the City plans to submit to the Alabama Department of Economic & Community Affairs (ADECA) for funding consideration. Council President Thompson declared a public hearing open for comments. No comments were made. Council Member Tankersley motioned to close the public hearing; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by

unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, Resolution 22-0628A, Airport Funding request to the Morgan County Commission, and called on Mayor Garrison to discuss with the Council. Mayor Garrison explained that the City and the Airport Board are seeking an appropriation of funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 to assist with operation, maintenance and services provided by the Hartselle Morgan County Regional Airport. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve Resolution 22-0628A; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked Mayor Garrison to address the next item on the agenda, Resolution 22-0628B, Library funding request to the Morgan County Commission. Mayor Garrison explained the City and Library Board are seeking funds in the amount of \$7,000.00 to assist with the operation, maintenance and service provided by the William Bradford Library. Council Member Doss motioned to approve Resolution 22-0628B; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked Mayor Garrison to address the next item on the agenda, Resolution 22-0628C, accept proposals and approve architect for a new Library building. Mayor Garrison explained the City has accepted a proposal from Leonard Design P.C. d/b/a Leonard for the new Municipal Library project, with their fee totaling \$153,025.00. Council Member Doss motioned to approve Resolution 22-0628C; Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, Resolution 22-0628D, accept/reject bid for a used truck for the Police Department, and called on Police Chief Justin Barley to discuss with the Council. Chief Barley explained the City had received one bid from Eddie Preuitt Ford for \$25,655.50 a used 2016 truck. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve Resolution 22-0628D and accept the bid as presented; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, to consider a budget adjustment to the Gasoline line items for all departments, and called on Mayor Garrison to discuss with the Council. Mayor Garrison explained that with the rising costs of fuel, adjustments are needed to the gasoline line item in each department for the remainder of the budget year. Council Member Alexander motioned to approve budget adjustment for gasoline as presented; Council Member Tankersley seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked Mayor Garrison to address the next item on the agenda, to consider a budget transfer request for Administration. Mayor Garrison explained the request to transfer \$4,000.00 to LSTA Grant Match from Furniture and Fixtures in order to cover the grant match for this fiscal year. In the past, the Friends of the Library had covered the match, but had requested the City pay the match going forward. Council Member Doss motioned to approve the budget transfer; Council Member Gill seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the next item on the agenda, to consider a budget transfer request for Parks and Recreation, and called on Director of Parks and Recreation Tom Chappell to discuss with the Council. Mr. Chappell explained he would like to transfer \$1,757.78 from Aquatic Center Supplies to Computer Expense to Computer Expense in Administration. This request is so that IT can purchase two computer stations to replace two at the Aquatic Center that are not working properly. Mr. Chappell stated these computers are located at the main entry window and the rental window, and have been there since the pool opened. Council Member Gill motioned to approve the transfer for Parks and Recreation; Council Member seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson addressed the last item on the agenda, a request to declare an item surplus for the Police Department, and called on Police Chief Justin Barley to discuss with the Council. Chief Barley explained he is requesting the Council declare a 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe 2WD VIN # 1GNEC13V22J3310732 surplus and all proceeds will be used to purchase a newer

model vehicle to be used in the Criminal Investigation Division. Council Doss motioned to approve declaring item surplus for Police Department; Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council President Thompson asked for comments from the Mayor, Council Members or City Attorney. Mayor Garrison recognized the following employees and presented them with certificates to recognize their accomplishments:

Police Officer Brad Freeman – 15 years’ service

Sports Coordinator Thomas Phillips – 15 years’ service

Pool Manager Lacy Johnson – 15 years’ service

Parks and Recreation Heather Drinkard – 10 years’ service

Court Clerk Sherry Reagan – 10 years’ service

Mayor Garrison then announced Officer Tanya Burgess had accepted the Code Enforcement Officer position and she will be starting on July 18th. He also stated the City had hired an additional Building Inspector who will be starting soon as well. Each Council Member then thanked all of the employees for their service and dedication to the City and congratulated the Hartselle Tigers 10U All-Star Team for their State Championship.

Council President Thompson asked for comments from the audience. No other comments were made.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Kenny Thompson
Council President

ATTEST:

Rita S. Lee, City Clerk - Controller