

**MINUTES OF A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE EUFAULA CITY COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2022 AT 5:15 P.M.**

The Eufaula City Council met in a scheduled session on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 5:15 p.m. in the Police Department Courtroom at 545 East Barbour Street. Council President Register called the meeting to order, and Pastor Samuel Paige offered the invocation. Council President Register led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll the following members were present: Council President Wes Register, Marvin Brown, President Pro Tem Otis Hill, and John Robinson. Absent: Ben Garrison.

Also present: Mayor Jack B. Tibbs, Jr., Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer, and Joel Smith, City Attorney.

**HONORS AND RECOGNITION**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to approve the order of the agenda for the meeting of February 21, 2022. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. Council President Register then announced that the agenda was approved and adopted.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council President Register reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda for council approval.

- (a) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the regular session minutes of February 7, 2022.
- (b) Motion and second to dispense with and approve the Claims Docket dated February 17, 2022, in the amount of \$399,189.60.

President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Council President Register announced the Consent Agenda was adopted.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Tibbs requested that council members consider Resolution 36-2022 (Authorize Mayor to execute engagement letter with Bradley Arant Boult Cummings), that will assist in raising funds for a new hospital. He then stated that the first round-about in Eufaula will be located at the intersection of North Orange Street and Broad Street. Bids for the splash pad entryway/restrooms will open tomorrow, Tuesday, February 22, 2022. This project is expected to be completed during the summer 2022.

**VISITORS**

Ms. Allie Logan, County Extension Coordinator, presented a plan by Alta for a round-about to be located at the intersection of North Orange Street and Broad Street, funded through a 2014 grant from the CDC. The round-about is one of six tentative, short-term projects presented to the coalition through a pedestrian plan created for the City of Eufaula. Ms. Logan gave a short

description of minor work that will enhance the area for the round-about to include adding planters, parking spaces, and limited striping. This project is budgeted for \$25,000. The other projects include installing speed bumps, a bike route on South Randolph, pedestrian signage on St. Francis Road near AMMS, and pedestrian lanes on Spruce Road.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Council President Register introduced Resolution 33-2022 (Accept bids for Purchase and Installation of Highway Lighting Poles and Fixtures). Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 33-2022 (Accept bids for Purchase and Installation of Highway Lighting Poles and Fixtures). President Pro Tem Hill seconded the motion. Council President Register announced that Resolution 33-2022 was adopted.

### **RESOLUTION**

**33-2022**

WHEREAS, the City has (5) five street lighting poles and fixtures down; and

WHEREAS, due to the estimated cost of replacement and installation of the highway street poles and fixtures, the City bid out the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula opened bids on February 8, 2022 for the purchase and installation of highway street lighting poles and fixtures; and

WHEREAS, the City received (1) bid for the cost of replacement of the street poles and fixtures and (1) bid for the installation; and

WHEREAS Southern Lighting & Traffic Systems submitted a bid of \$29,950.00 for the purchase of (5) five - 47' poles w/15' Luminaire arms, and Temple Electric Company, Inc. submitted a bid of \$ 42,500.00 for installation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby accepts the bids as detailed and authorizes the Public Works Director to move forward with the purchase and installation of (5) five highway street lighting poles and fixtures.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st of February, 2022.

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Wes Register  
City Council President

ATTEST:

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Joy White  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 34-2022 (Adopt the 2021 Southeast Alabama Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan). President Pro Tem Hill offered a motion to adopt Resolution 34-2022 (Adopt the 2021 Southeast Alabama Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. Council President Register announced that Resolution 34-2022 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION  
34-2022**

**ADOPT THE 2021 SOUTHEAST ALABAMA REGIONAL  
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Barbour County Emergency Management Agency has engaged in extensive studies of the hazards facing all of Barbour County, including the City of Eufaula; and

**WHEREAS**, the Barbour County Emergency Management Agency, with guidance from the Barbour County Local Emergency Planning Committee and as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, has prepared the 2021 Southeast Alabama Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan which supersedes any and all existing hazard mitigation plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Eufaula, Alabama was provided with ample and adequate opportunity to participate in the hazard mitigation planning process and is represented on the Barbour County Local Emergency Planning Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary goals of this plan are to reduce the loss of life, property damage, and economic loss; make Barbour County less vulnerable to natural disasters; and to provide education about hazards and hazard mitigation options; and

**WHEREAS**, the strategies of this plan are to identify and characterize hazards, assess risk, prioritize and implement mitigation measures; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption and implementation of the 2021 Southeast Alabama Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan would be in the best interest and protection of the citizens of the City of Eufaula.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Eufaula, Alabama does hereby adopt the document entitled the 2021 Southeast Alabama Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**ADOPTED** this 21st day of February, 2022.

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Wes Register  
City Council President

ATTEST:

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Joy White

Council President Register introduced Resolution 35-2022 (Adopt the Barbour County Emergency Operations Plan). Mr. Robinson offered a motion to adopt Resolution 35-2022 (Adopt the Barbour County Emergency Operations Plan). Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Council President Register announced that Resolution 35-2022 was adopted.

**RESOLUTION  
35-2022**

**WHEREAS**, City of Eufaula preparedness and readiness to cope with the effects of a disaster entails many diverse and interrelated elements which must be woven into an integrated emergency management system involving all elements of local government, emergency response organizations, support agencies, and individual citizens, and planning for the whole community is necessary to coordinate all of these elements;

**WHEREAS**, Disasters cause a sudden escalation in the material needs of the community and a reorganization of resources and personnel in order to address the emergency response;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Barbour County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is a statement of policy regarding emergency management within Barbour County, Alabama, and designates various tasks and responsibilities to elected officials, emergency response and support personnel, local businesses, government, and educational institutions. The EOP incorporates the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS) as directed by the Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5 (HSPD-5) and specifies the agency/department roles during an emergency or disaster situation. This plan further emphasizes the need for all involved to utilize a whole community approach and to be familiar with these systems and participate in training and exercises in order to increase the county's preparedness at all levels.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT** the City of Eufaula hereby adopts the 2022 Barbour County Emergency Operations Plan as an official plan.

ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2022.

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Wes Register  
City Council President

ATTEST:

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Joy White  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Council President Register introduced Resolution 36-2022 (Authorize Mayor to execute engagement letter with Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings). He explained that this is a monthly retainer in the amount of \$7,500.00 per month with Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings for Federal Governmental Affairs for a twelve-month period beginning February 21, 2022 through February 21, 2023. Mr. Brown asked if this contract could be terminated at any time if necessary before the contract ending date, and City Attorney Smith responded that either party may terminate the contract at any time before the February 21, 2023 contract expiration. Mayor Tibbs noted that Martha Roby has been very instrumental in getting various projects done in Barbour County in the past, and continues to be very active in progressively moving forward with additional city projects. Mayor Tibbs also mentioned that the Alabama-Chattahoochee-Flint River Water System Revitalization Project is potentially developing to efficiently move cargo along the waterway while simultaneously adding jobs to the city's economy.

Mr. Brown then offered a motion to adopt Resolution 36-2022 (Authorize Mayor to execute engagement letter with Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings). Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. Council President Register announced that Resolution 36-2022 was adopted.

RESOLUTION

36-2022

WHEREAS, the City of Eufaula wishes to engage Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP ("Bradley") for Federal Governmental Affairs services; and

WHEREAS, Bradley will provide legal services and advice as needed to accomplish certain goals determined to be in the interest of the City of Eufaula.

WHEREAS, the monthly retainer is \$ 7,500.00 per month for a twelve-month period beginning February 21, 2022 through February 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, in addition to legal fees, the city will be invoiced for costs and expenses incurred on behalf or in the course of these services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes Jack B. Tibbs, Jr., Mayor, to execute the engagement letter with Bradley.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 21st of February, 2022.

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Wes Register  
City Council President

ATTEST:

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Joy White  
City Clerk/Treasurer

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION**

**REGULAR AGENDA (NEW BUSINESS)**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council President Register reported that masks are no longer required in any of the city schools, but highly recommended as COVID cases have decreased. Banners are now located near each of the city schools and President Register thanked Public Works for installing the banners. Council President Register attended the school board meeting last week and presented gifts and city coins to the Teachers of the Year. The Carnegie Library hosted a well-attended crafts project yesterday for school-aged children. A Lunch-and-Learn will be hosted by the library March 1<sup>st</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup>, and June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., for "Pruning Tips and Techniques".

Mr. Robinson reported that renovations will begin in the coming weeks at the community center. The basketball district tournament will begin Friday, February 25-26, 2022, at the community center at 6:00 p.m. Eufaula will play in Ozark at 7:00 p.m., in addition to other tournament games at various locations and age groups. Baseball tryouts will be held on February 28, 2022, March 1, 2022, March 2, 2022, and March 5, 2022. Practices will begin on March 8, 2022. The Airport Board meeting was held last week with a focus of discussion on issues with the T-Hangers. The Chamber of Commerce also met last week with a focus on career technical education for high-schoolers to train in technical/vocational fields to help lighten the shortage of workers. A Community Shred Day will be held at MidSouth Bank on March 5, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Brown met with Mr. David Ewing about the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) rehab project in the Edgewood neighborhood that is tentatively scheduled to begin the first week in April 2022. Local contractors are welcome to apply, but must meet the qualifications to be awarded contract. Mr. Brown also expressed his excitement and gratitude for the grant applied towards the rehab project for the Edgewood community.

Mr. Brown then reported that the garbage crew collected and hauled 66 tons of garbage. Trash crews collected and hauled 74 tons of debris to the Barbour County landfill. The litter crew collected 88 bags of litter throughout the city. The shop crew completed 14 work orders entered for vehicle and/or equipment repairs. The construction crew also performed necessary construction. The department also produced bale(s) of recycled cardboard.

President Pro Tem Hill expressed that one of the local businesses needs to meet the compliance code in every area of operation to provide a safe environment for everyone. If it becomes necessary, other methods for compliance may have to be further enforced by the City of Eufaula.

President Pro Tem Hill acknowledged that the EHS Basketball teams had an awesome season that led them to the playoffs although they did not win a title, but the City of Eufaula is very proud of them.

Mr. Robinson acknowledged a boy scout in attendance of the council proceedings and thanked him for coming and invited him to attend any time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the same was on motion by President Pro Tem Hill and duly seconded by Mr. Robinson, adjourned this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2022.

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Wes Register, Council President

ATTEST:

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Joy White, City Clerk/Treasurer