

February 9, 2021  
Council Workshop  
12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy.  
Magnolia Springs, Alabama 36555

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Kim Koniar called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Roll Call:

Mayor Kim Koniar (Zoom), Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields (Zoom);  
Councilmember Andrew Monaghan (Zoom); Councilmember Steve Mobley (Zoom);  
Councilmember Ross Houser (Zoom); Councilmember Bob Turner (Zoom) (present at 5:03 p.m.).  
Also, present: Town Clerk Mike Jinks (Zoom) and Assistant Town Clerk Hannah Driskell (Zoom).

3. Invocation and Pledge:

Mayor Kim Koniar waived the invocation and pledge due to the virtual meeting.

4. Council Minutes – January 2021:

Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to review the minutes from the Special Council Meeting, January 5, 2021, Council Workshop, December 8, 2020 and Regular Council Meeting, January 26, 2021. Mayor Koniar asked for changes to be submitted to the Clerk's Office.

5. Financials and Expenditures – January 2021:

Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Financials and Expenditures from January 2021 have not been audited are not complete to discuss.

6. Deputy Derek Boone – Monthly Report:

Arrests: 4

Arrested a subject for warrants with Foley PD as a result of a traffic stop on Highway 98 at County Road 49.

Arrested a subject for a minor in possession of alcohol and false name to law enforcement as a result of a traffic stop on County Road 49 North and Highway 98.

Arrested a subject for warrants with Hancock County, Mississippi as a result of a domestic violence investigation.

Arrested a subject for Domestic Violence 3<sup>rd</sup> and Criminal Mischief 3<sup>rd</sup> on Live Oak Avenue.

Report 21-0088 taken to supplement a welfare concern report and verified subject was safe at home.

Report 21-0434 taken to document a domestic violence incident on Live Oak Avenue.

Traffic Stops – 33

UTC – 12

Written warnings – 28

Verbal warnings – 6

Deputy Boone was off for two weeks due to COVID-19.

7. Public Comment:

No public comment.

#### 8. Discussion:

- BCSS Franchise Agreement – Councilmember Andrew Monaghan discussed the franchise agreement that was presented. Councilmember Andrew Monaghan, Councilmember Ross Houser and Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields agreed to meet with a consultant to further review the franchise agreement. Mayor and Council discussed previously submitted right-of-way disturbance permits.
- Bridge Improvements – Mayor Kim Koniar discussed the bridge improvements that the Council approved before Hurricane Sally. Council discussed moving forward with starting the bridge improvements.
- No Thru Trucks Signage – Mayor and Council discussed installing No Thru Truck signs on Magnolia Springs Highway within Town Limits.

#### 11. Committee/Commission Reports:

- Ad Hoc Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Ad Hoc Committee did not meet.
- Finance & Audit Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Finance & Audit Committee did not meet.
- Public Works, Lands & Safety Committee, Steve Mobley, Chairman – Councilmember Steve Mobley stated the Public Works, Lands & Safety Committee did not meet. Councilmember Mobley stated that on the corner of McCoy Avenue and Jessamine Street there is a large stump in the right-of-way that needs to be removed. There is a pine tree on School Street that is leaning and will fall on a power line, however it is on private property. Councilmember Mobley stated that there is a pine tree leaning over Magnolia Landing, however it is on private property. The property owner has offered to split the cost of removal with the Town. Councilmember Mobley inquired about clearing the ditches in the area of Live Oak Avenue to prevent future flooding of homes. Mayor Koniar requested estimates be collected to complete needed work. Councilmember Mobley stated that GreenCo is going to smooth out the Town's lot at Gates Avenue and Magnolia Springs Highway and clean the debris in the ditch. The Garden Club will be beginning their clean-up efforts at the Arboretum and the Town's trailer is parked at the Arboretum for debris haul-off.
- Tree & Streetscape Committee, Nick Shields, Chairman – Mayor Kim Koniar stated that there was no Tree & Streetscape Committee Meeting and there are no tree issues.

#### 12. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments:

Mayor Kim Koniar discussed the right-of-way disturbance at the residence at the corner of Magnolia Springs Highway and Village Green Drive. Councilmember Steve Mobley stated a nuisance letter could be sent to the property owner asking for the sod on the right-of-way to be replaced. Councilmember Mobley stated that the Village Green Subdivision signs being on private property has come to his attention. Mayor Koniar requested the area in question to be surveyed. Shari Woody, the Town's Hurricane Sally FEMA representative, reported that damaged culverts and ditches have been added to the submission. Shari will be collecting additional information for the FEMA Hurricane Sally submission. Mayor Koniar requested quotes for repairs at the Arboretum. Councilmember Mobley stated that he has had inquiries about purchasing the pavers from the Arboretum.

Councilmember Bob Turner discussed the research he is doing with mosquito control. The products that were sprayed within the Town during the previous season, were potentially harmful to people, fish, and bees. Councilmember Turner stated that he is going to continue pursuing alternatives to mosquito spraying.

Councilmember Steve Mobley stated that there is a problem with buzzards nesting on the wooded lot at the corner of Pecan Grove Street and Oak Street that are causing nuisance issues with the neighbors. Councilmember Bob Turner stated that buzzards are a protected migratory bird and there may not be anything that the Town can do to mitigate the situation.

Town Clerk Mike Jinks reported that the Town Clerk computer failed. The computer has been replaced with the files transferred to the new computer.

Councilmember Steve Mobley requested that citizens be notified of the completion of the storm debris pickup.

Mayor Kim Koniar suggested researching a mass text messaging system for the Town to use for citizens to receive important information.

Mayor Kim Koniar announced that elected officials can begin receiving the COVID-19 vaccination.

Mayor Kim Koniar requested that the next Regular Council Meeting be in-person.


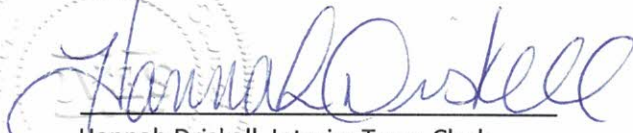
13. Adjourn:

Councilmember Bob Turner made motion to adjourn meeting. Second, by Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2021.

  
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Kim Koniar, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
  
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Hannah Driskell, Interim Town Clerk

