May 12, 2020 Council Workshop 12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy. Magnolia Springs, Alabama 36555

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Kim Koniar; Mayor Pro Tempore Ben Dykema;

Councilmember Andrew Monaghan; Councilmember Steve Mobley;

Councilmember Marley Gardner; Councilmember Nick Shields (Cisco WebEx).

Also, present: Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White; and Assistant Town Clerk Hannah Driskell.

3. Invocation and Pledge:

Councilmember Steve Mobley led invocation and pledge.

4. Council Minutes - April 2020:

Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to review minutes from Council Workshop, April 14, 2020 and Regular Council Meeting, April 28, 2020. Mayor Koniar asked Council to contact Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White for additional comments or corrections

5. Financials and Expenditures – April 2020:

Mayor Kim Koniar implemented a new policy where she will review bank statements before Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White reconciles statements. Mayor Kim Koniar noted the delay in Financials and Expenditures report for April due to inability to review bank statements before Council Workshop. Mayor Kim Koniar asked Town Clerk/Treasurer for P&L Report including previous period, previous year and year to date.

6. <u>Deputy Derek Boone – Monthly Report:</u>

1 Arrest made for Violation of DV Release Order.

Traffic Stops: 28 Citations: 6 Warnings: 20

Documented a Domestic Violence Incident on Highland Circle.

Documented a Criminal Mischief 2nd on Laurent Road.

Documented a Violation of a DV Release Order on Grantham Road.

Documented a Forgery 2nd/Theft 4th on Brantley Lane.

Documented Rape 1st at Town Hall that occurred on Bay Road.

Documented a Domestic Violence 3rd/Assault 3rd on CR 49.

Documented an Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle on CR 49.

Documented a Burglary 3rd/Theft 4th on Lipscomb Road.

Documented a Traffic Hazard (vehicle) on CR 65.

Deputy Derek Boone noted a recent theft on Cotton Stocking Lane, which will be reported in the May 2020 report.

Deputy Derek Boone stated that he received a complaint for a vehicle parked on Bay Street by the Bemis Bay public access. Deputy Boone reported that a vehicle had parked in the bushes, however it was outside of the 'no parking' zone. Mayor Kim Koniar stated additional parking is located on right-of-way on adjacent Pine Street.

Deputy Derek Boone stated he has not noticed any speeding on Oak Street. He also reported that he received a new vehicle and deputies are signing up for the weekend shifts patrolling the Magnolia River access points.

7. Public Comment:

Jerry McInnis – Jerry McInnis, controller with Baldwin County Sewer Service introduced himself to Council. He stated that BCSS would like to reach a workable franchise agreement with the Town. McInnis stated that BCSS wants the privilege to do business within the Town and serve the citizens thereof. Tommy Rachel – Tommy Rachel, Town resident, stated he spoke to residents down Cotton Stocking Lane who were interested in sewer placement. He reported that there were many residents who are interested in sewer access.

8. Resolutions:

- Resolution No. 2020-11 Provide Tier | Benefits to Tier || Plan Members Mayor Kim Koniar asked for more research and review. Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White stated she could have an RSA representative attend the Council Workshop for discussion with Mayor and Council.
- Resolution No. 2020-12 2020 "Back-to-School" Sales Tax Holiday, July 17-19, 2020 Mayor Kim Koniar stated this is a yearly resolution that is passed by Town Council. This resolution to be passed at next Regular Council Meeting.

9. <u>Discussion:</u>

- Coronavirus Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the librarian, Elise Nodar, would like to stay working her partial part-time hours until the end of May. Elise stated she does not feel comfortable handling books from the public. Mayor Kim Koniar stated she ordered a sneeze-guard for Town Hall. Councilmember Nick Shields inquired about masks or thermometers for employees or visitors coming into Town Hall or Library. Mayor Kim Koniar stated she has not been able to find masks at a reasonable price. Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White stated Town Hall is operating efficiently with social distance guidelines. Mayor Kim Koniar stated Town Hall will remain closed until further notice and the Town will hold committee meetings either outdoors or at the Community Hall, depending on size. Mayor Kim Koniar stated that masks would be required for those in attendance at meetings. Councilmember Andrew Monaghan stated that the Town should be responsible for cleaning the Community Hall after meetings. Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White suggested placing a sign on the door of Town Hall with requirements for entering when Town Hall opens to public. Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the public Magnolia River access points are now open. Deputy Boone reported no issues with social distancing at the access points.
- Municipal Election 2020 Mayor Kim Koniar stated that July 7 is first day to submit intent to run. August 25 is election day. Mayor Koniar is working to find poll workers. Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White stated that the Town website is updated with election information. Qualifying period is July 7-21, 2020. Absentee voting beings July 28, 2020. August 20, 2020 is the last day to apply for a regular absentee ballot. August 24, 2020 is the last day to return your hand delivered absentee ballot is the close of business at 5 p.m. August 25, 2020 is the last day to receive mailed absentee ballots. They must be postmarked August 24 and received by noon on August 25, 2020. Election day is August 25, 2020 with polling hours for 7am-7pm. Canvassing will be on September 1, 2020. Masks, hand sanitizer and pens available on election day for voters. Jenny Opal White is working on getting date for poll worker training. Deputy Derek Boone stated that he is available to work on election day during voting hours.
- <u>Baldwin County Sewer System Franchise Agreement</u> Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to read over franchise agreement. Mayor Koniar asked Council to email her with comments and questions. Mayor Pro Tempore Ben Dykema asked about finding other Towns who have franchise agreements with private sewer systems. Jenny Opal White stated that she previously reached out to Clerks by request of Council and was unable to locate a Sewer System Franchise Agreement. Mayor Kim Koniar suggested calling the Alabama League of Municipalities for guidance. Mayor Kim Koniar asked Mayor Pro Tempore Ben Dykema and Councilmember Andrew Monaghan to review franchise agreement.

10. Committee/Commission Reports:

- Ad Hoc Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman Mayor Kim Koniar stated the Ad Hoc
 Committee did not meet. The Town completed the purchase of the property at the corner
 of Gates Avenue and Magnolia Springs Highway.
- Finance & Audit, Kim Koniar, Chairman Mayor Kim Koniar did not report.
- Public Works & Safety, Steve Mobley Chairman Councilmember Steve Mobley stated that Public Works & Safety did not meet.
- Public Lands & Beautification, Ben Dykema, Chairman Mayor Pro Tempore Ben Dykema stated that Public Lands & Beautification did not meet.
- Tree & Streetscape, Nick Shields, Chairman Councilmember Nick Shields stated that
 Baldwin County Solid Waste contacted him about the new garbage trucks are unable to lift

cans under trees in the Town. Nick Shields stated that the garbage trucks require a 15-foot clearance. Baldwin County Solid Waste to inform residents on where to place bins for pick-up. Mayor Kim Koniar asked Town Clerk/Treasurer Jenny Opal White about the \$20,000 that was given to Riviera Utilities for underground utilities. Mayor Kim Koniar asked for a follow-up on the return of funds.

11. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments:

No Council, Legal Counsel or Staff comments.

12. Any Other Business That Might Come Before the Meeting:

No other business.

13. Adjourn:

Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Council will go into Executive Session. Town Attorney Brad Hicks asked for motion to go into Executive Session for the Council to discuss with the Town Attorney the legal ramifications of, and legal options for, controversy not yet being litigated, but imminently likely to be litigated, if the Town pursues a proposed course of action. Councilmember Steve Mobley so moved. Second, by Councilmember Andrew Monaghan. Mayor Kim Koniar asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Kim Koniar, Yea
Mayor Pro Tempore Ben Dykema, Yea
Councilmember Andrew Monaghan, Yea
Councilmember Steve Mobley, Yea
Councilmember Nick Shields, Yea
Councilmember Marley Gardner, Yea.

5 Yea, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Kim Koniar stated the Council Workshop is adjourned without the intention to reconvene. Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Approved this 23rd day of June 2020.

Submitted by: Hannah Driskell

Assistant Town Clerk

Kim Koniar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jenny Opal White, Town Clerk/Treasurer

