

October 12, 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; Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields.
Councilmember Andrew Monaghan; Councilmember Steve Mobley.
Absent: Councilmember Ross Houser; Councilmember Bob Turner.
Also, present: Town Clerk Hannah Driskell.

3. Invocation and Pledge:

Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields led invocation and pledge.

4. Council Minutes – September 2021:

Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to review the minutes from the Council Workshop, September 14, 2021, and Regular Council Meeting, September 28, 2021. Mayor Koniar asked for changes to be submitted to the Clerk's Office.

5. Deputy Derek Boone – Monthly Report:

Deputy Derek Boone gave his September monthly report.

Traffic Stops – 37

UTC – 13

Written Warnings – 24

Verbal Warnings – 8

Documented 5 reports and arrested 5 subjects.

Assisted with a medical call on Annie Cooper Lane where CPR was initiated.

6. Shari Woody, FEMA Coordinator, Hurricane Sally Update:

Town Clerk Hannah Driskell noted that Shari Woody is unable to attend the meeting tonight but has relayed her report to Council. Town Clerk Hannah Driskell reported that the debris removal reimbursement has been approved. The State of Alabama will then process the funds to the Town.

7. Bruce White, The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama Presentation:

Mike Boan with The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama stated that Bruce White was unable to join, and he will be doing the presentation in his place. Mr. Boan presented the Council with the purpose of The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama and their multi-million-dollar project for disabled adults and children to be able to play baseball and enjoy sports. Mr. Boan asked Council to consider donating to The Miracle League of Coastal Alabama that would be matched by the City of Orange Beach. Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to review and discuss at the next Regular Council Meeting.

8. Public Comment:

Jimmy Barter – Jimmy Barter, resident of Island Avenue, presented to Council the drainage issues caused by debris and sediment that is along the ditch that runs along his property to the Bay Street pier. Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Town attorney will need to be involved due to the drainage ditch being on private property regarding what the Town can do to alleviate the drainage issues.

9. Discussion:

- Request for Proposals for Debris Monitoring & Debris Removal – Town Clerk Hannah Driskell noted that the Council last discussed the request for proposals for debris monitoring and removal in September. Ms. Driskell asked the Council to review and have legal review of the documents before posting. Mayor Kim Koniar requested that the request for proposal be on hold until the spring.
- Traffic Control Measures on Gates Avenue – Mayor Kim Koniar discussed the speeding problem along Gates Avenue. Mayor and Council discussed traffic control measures that the Town could implement to reduce the amount of speeding along Gates Avenue. Mayor Koniar asked for quotes for a speed radar trailer to be placed on Gates Avenue that can be moved to other locations as needed.

10. 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 noted that the drainage project on Short Street has been completed and the residents of Short Street are happy the drainage issue has been resolved and working well. Councilmember Mobley stated that a homeowner on Pecan Grove Street is having drainage issues where the water comes through private property before going into the ditch. Councilmember Mobley stated that he is working with ALDOT to get the ditches and culverts along Highway 98 cleaned out.
- Tree & Streetscape Committee, Nick Shields, Chairman – Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields stated that the Tree & Streetscape Committee did not meet.

11. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments:

Town Clerk Hannah Driskell gave report on the Clerk's Office. 2 Land Use Certificates pending in October to date. 56 Land Use Permits have been approved in 2021. 2 business licenses have been processed in September with 476 in 2021.

Ms. Driskell stated that a new childcare business will be moving into Town with hopes of opening by the end of 2021.

Applications for Assistant Town Clerk closed on October 7. Interviews have been scheduled for Monday.

The Magnolia Springs Firefighter Festival will be on Saturday, October 23 from 10 am – 5 pm on the school property.

Town Clerk Hannah Driskell will be out of the office to attend the Municipal Clerk's Winter Conference in Orange Beach November 3-5.

Mayor Kim Koniar noted that the sign ordinance violation at Cougar Oil station has not been removed. Mayor Koniar asked for a letter to go out if the sign is not removed in a reasonable amount of time.


Councilmember Nick Shields noted that the Town had received an Attorney General's opinion that the Town requested regarding regulating trucks on the Magnolia River bridge. Mayor Kim Koniar suggested having Brad Hicks, Town Attorney present for discussions regarding the trucks on the Magnolia River bridge.

Mayor Kim Koniar noted that additional 'no parking' signs be placed on Rock Street due to vehicles parking in no parking areas.

13. Adjourn:


Mayor Kim Koniar asked for motion to adjourn. Councilmember Andrew Monaghan made motion to adjourn. Second, by Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields. Meeting adjourned at 5:49 pm.

Approved this 23rd day of November 2021.



Kim Koniar, Mayor

ATTEST:



Hannah Driskell, Town Clerk

