

January 11, 2022  
 Council Workshop  
 12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy.  
 Magnolia Springs, Alabama 36555

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Roll Call:

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

3. Invocation and Pledge:

Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields led invocation and pledge.

4. Council Minutes – November 2021:

Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields asked Council to review the minutes from the Council Workshop, November 9, 2021, Special Council Meeting, November 9, 2021, and Regular Council Meeting, November 23, 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 December report. Deputy Boone stated he was off for two weeks during the Christmas holidays.

Arrests: 0  
 Reports: 12  
 Traffic Stops: 26  
 UTC: 10  
 Written Warnings: 26  
 Verbal Warnings: 2

Deputy Boone assisted with an arrest of a subject on Highway 98 and Magnolia Boulevard.

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

Shari Woody, the Town's FEMA Coordinator, gave an update on Hurricane Sally. Shari discussed that she spoke with Alabama EMA and they are waiting receive documentation saying that the 13 items on the list have been completed. The State EMA will release 75% of the total expenses once the items have been completed. FEMA allocated \$67,000 to complete the 13 items on the list, if the cost comes in less, the total reimbursement would be less.

7. Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

8. Recommendation From Planning Commission for Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Fences:

Town Clerk Hannah Driskell stated that the Planning Commission approved the amendment on fences in the Zoning Ordinance and sent it to the Town Council for review and approval. The major changes would be fences on property lines on corner lots and adding detailing and architectural features to masonry walls.

9. Resolution:

- Resolution No. 2022-01 – Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contractual Agreement with United Way of Baldwin County – Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields noted that Resolution No. 2022-01 is a yearly resolution and contribution to the United Way of Baldwin County. The Council will vote at the January Regular Council Meeting.

10. Discussion:

- Pedestrian Crossing Lighted Signs – Town Clerk Hannah Driskell discussed the different options and quotes to add two push button flashing signs that would alert drivers to pedestrians crossing Magnolia Springs Highway at the entrance of the Arboretum.
- American Rescue Plan Act Funds – Town Clerk Hannah Driskell stated that the US Treasury Department has released additional information regarding how the American Rescue Plan Act funds can be spent. Funds can be spent for the “repair, replacement, or removal of culverts or other road-stream crossing infrastructure to the extent the purpose of the project is to manage stormwater” according to the final rule released by the US Treasury Department.
- Arboretum – Councilmember Ross Houser stated he is waiting to receive a quote to repair the remaining pavers in the Arboretum and add pavers to the rest of the walkway.
- BCSS Franchise Agreement – Councilmember Andrew Monaghan discussed a potential franchise agreement that was sent to Baldwin County Sewer Service. The Council agrees that a franchise agreement is needed.
- No Thru Trucks – Councilmember Andrew Monaghan discussed a conversation with Sheriff Hoss Mack regarding the enforcement of a potential ‘no thru trucks’ ordinance. Sheriff Mack is concerned with how the district court would enforce our ordinances. Town Attorney, Brad Hicks, is researching how the district court process would work.

11. Committee/Commission Reports:

- Ad Hoc Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields stated that Mayor Kim Koniar is not in attendance and cannot give a report.
- Finance & Audit Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields stated that Mayor Kim Koniar is not in attendance and cannot give a report.
- Public Works, Lands & Safety Committee, Steve Mobley, Chairman – Councilmember Steve Mobley stated the Public Works, Lands & Safety Committee did not meet. Mike Wheaton, the Town’s maintenance worker, is working diligently getting the 13 sites from FEMA completed. Councilmember Mobley will be meeting with the property owner on Cotton Stocking Lane and Shari Woody to determine the work needed at the drainage ditch that runs through private property.
- Tree & Streetscape Committee, Nick Shields, Chairman – Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields stated that the Tree & Streetscape Committee did not meet. Mayor Pro Tempore Shields noted that unless there is an urgent tree issue that requires the committee to meet, they are not meeting regularly.

12. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments:


Town Clerk Hannah Driskell reported that the Clerk’s Office has processed 3 Land Use Permits pending. 89 business license renewals have been processed so far for 2022. Dianne Rambo with AirMedCare Network regarding the ground and air ambulance memberships called asking for a follow-up. Baldwin County Land Use Planning Meeting for Elected Officials is Monday, January 24, 2022, at 9 am. The auditor will be coming on January 12 to conduct the Town’s previous fiscal year audit.

Councilmember Andrew Monaghan noted that the lot adjacent to the Town’s Holly Avenue right-of-way has been cleared along with part of the Town’s right-of-way.

13. Adjourn:

Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields asked for motion to adjourn. Councilmember Bob Turner made motion to adjourn. Second, by Councilmember Steve Mobley. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Approved this 22nd day of February 2022.

  
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Kim Koniar, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Hannah Driskell, Town Clerk



