

July 12, 2022  
Council Workshop  
12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy.  
Magnolia Springs, Alabama 36555

1. Call to Order:  
Mayor Kim Koniar called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.
  
2. Roll Call:  
Mayor Kim Koniar; Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields;  
Councilmember Ross Houser; Councilmember Bob Turner.  
Absent: Councilmember Andrew Monaghan; Councilmember Steve Mobley.  
Also, present: Town Clerk Hannah Driskell.
  
3. Invocation and Pledge:  
Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields led invocation and pledge.
  
4. Council Minutes – June 2022:  
Mayor Kim Koniar asked Council to review the minutes from the Council Workshop, June 14, 2022, and Regular Council Meeting, June 28, 2022. Mayor Kim Koniar asked for changes to be submitted to the Clerk’s Office.
  
5. Deputy Eric Smith – Monthly Report:  
Deputy Eric Smith gave his June monthly report.  
  
Arrests: 3  
Reports: 3  
Traffic Stops: 9  
UTC: 9  
Written Warnings: 3  
Verbal Warnings: 1  
Agency Assists: 5  
  
Deputy Smith also assisted with the run-off election detail and attended training for the new Intoximeter for DUI arrests.
  
6. Shari Woody, FEMA Coordinator, Hurricane Sally Update:  
Shari Woody was not present to give a Hurricane Sally update. Town Clerk Hannah Driskell stated that she does not have any updates.
  
7. Avizo Group, Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Audit Presentation:  
Treyia Tindal, with Avizo Group, conducted the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 audit. Ms. Tindal noted that the audit opinion was a clean, unmodified opinion. Ms. Tindal discussed the findings of the audit with Council. Ms. Tindal stated that the Town qualified for a single audit with the FEMA expenses due to the Town Hurricane Sally expenditures totaling over \$150,000. Ms. Tindal noted that the audit opinion for the Hurricane Sally expenditures was also a clean, unmodified opinion.
  
8. Public Comment:  
No public comment.
  
9. Resolutions:
  - Resolution No. 2022-21 – Authorizing the Expenditure for One-Time Longevity Bonuses to the Town’s Retirement System of Alabama Retirees – Town Clerk Hannah Driskell explained that the State of Alabama Legislature passed legislation allowing municipalities to give a bonus to Retirement Systems of Alabama retirees. Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Town’s only retiree is Karen Biel, former Town Clerk. Mayor Koniar stated that Council will vote at the July Regular Council Meeting.

- Resolution No. 2022-22 – Authorizing the Mayor to Renew the Disaster Debris Monitoring Services Contract with Volkert, Inc Through September 23, 2023 – Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the passage of this resolution would allow the Town to have a debris monitor through the 2022 hurricane season.
- Resolution No. 2022-23 – Naming Member of the Historic Preservation Commission – Mayor Kim Koniar discussed that every board needs to have new members to be appointed periodically. Town Clerk Hannah Driskell noted that David Houser has agreed to continue to serve for another term. Ms. Driskell also noted that there were no letters of interest submitted or inquires when the vacancy was posted.

10. Ordinances:

- Ordinance No. 2022-02 – Ordinance Prohibiting Trucks, Tractor-Trailers, Loaded Dump Trucks, and Cement Trucks on Certain Public Streets – Mayor Kim Koniar stated that the Town Attorney is reviewing the ordinance and is working to change the definition of truck.
- Ordinance No. 2022-03 – Ordinance to Adopt Sanitary Sewer Installation – Councilmember Bob Turner noted that he is meeting with Baldwin County Sewer Service to discuss the Ordinance and some small changes that they are requesting to be made. Councilmember Turner noted that once the Ordinance has been edited with Baldwin County Sewer Service’s requested changes, it will be sent to Town Attorney, Brad Hicks, to review. Mayor and Council discussed the franchise agreement and the fees associated.
- Ordinance No. 2022-04 – Amendment to Article 2, Section C of Ordinance No. 2010-06, Regarding Land Use Certificates – Town Clerk Hannah Driskell noted that the Ordinance has been sent to Town Attorney, Brad Hicks, for review. Council discussed the mutual agreement language and requested that the Town Attorney review and clarify.

11. Recommendation from Planning Commission:

- Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment, Land Use Certificates – Agenda item was skipped. No discussion.

12. Discussion:

- Street Paving Projects – Mayor Kim Koniar noted that she requested for Councilmember and Public Works Director Steve Mobley to gather a list of roads that need to be paved. Mayor Kim Koniar asked for Council to observe the roads and make a list of potential roads to be paved.

13. Committee/Commission Reports:

- Ad Hoc Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Kim Koniar, Chairman, stated that an Ad Hoc Committee meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2022, at 10:00 am.
- Finance & Audit Committee, Kim Koniar, Chairman – Mayor Kim Koniar, Chairman, stated that the Finance & Audit Committee has not met but will need to meet soon to discuss the next fiscal year budget. Mayor Koniar noted that the next fiscal year budget needs to be more detailed.
- Public Works, Lands & Safety Committee, Steve Mobley, Chairman – Councilmember Steve Mobley was not in attendance to report.
- 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 the committee approved a delimiting of an Oak tree on Oak Street. Mayor Pro Tempore Shields noted that Riviera Utilities is conducting their tree trimming around the power lines through Town, but they are behind schedule. They are starting some trimming along Pecan Grove Street.

14. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments:

Town Clerk Hannah Driskell noted that the Magnolia Spring Public Library Board will be meeting at Town Hall Wednesday, July 13 at noon.

Councilmember Ross Houser discussed the impact of the logging trucks would have on Town roads if Mr. Inge brought the lumber off his property through the Town. Mayor Kim Koniar suggested having a road engineer review and prepare a report on how the roads would be impacted by multiple logging trucks.

Mayor Kim Koniar discussed with Council the issue of getting a response from the Town attorney in a timely manner. Mayor Koniar will contact the Town attorney, Brad Hicks, to discuss the issues that the Town is having with the delay in responses.

Councilmember Ross Houser is working with an appraiser to get an appraisal of the Holly Avenue right-of-way so Mark Wright can have legal access to his property.

Mayor Kim Koniar requested to find out where the pavers will go after they are removed and to contact GreenCo.

Mayor Kim Koniar noted that she volunteered at the Magnolia Springs Public Library for a day and a lot goes into the day-to-day operations of the library.

Mayor Kim Koniar noted that Councilmember Andrew Monaghan's mother had passed away and he is out of town for the funeral.

15. Adjourn:

Mayor Kim Koniar asked for motion to adjourn. Councilmember Ross Houser made motion to adjourn. Second, by Mayor Pro Tempore Nick Shields. Meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Approved this 23rd day of August 2022.



Kim Koniar, Mayor

ATTEST:



Hannah Driskell, Town Clerk

