



The Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette, Alabama as Held on November 17, 2025

The regular scheduled meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette was held on November 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall in Bay Minette, Alabama; this being the proper place, scheduled date and hour for holding such a meeting.

The following members of the Council were found to be present:

Joshua O. Brown, Mayor
Pete Sellers, Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember District 1
Mike Phillips, Councilmember District 2
Matt Franklin, Councilmember District 3
Tyrone Thompson, Councilmember District 4
Chris Norman, Sr., Councilmember District 5

Staff/Others in regular attendance:

Scotty Lewis, City Attorney
Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk
Jessica Powers, City Treasurer/Finance Director
Clair Dorough, City Planner
Jimmy Dean Stracener, Police Lieutenant
Mike Minchew, Fire Chief
Kristina Pittman, North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce Executive Director
Jason Padgett, North Baldwin Utilities General Manager

Guests included:

Haley Kern
Jonathan Kern
Earl Emmons
Gene White
Rick Oleniczak
Malary Goldman
Jimmy White
Marque Usher

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Franklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Brown gave an invocation.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the City Council Meeting and Work Session held on November 3, 2025. Councilmember Thompson moved to approve the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve the Revised Accounts Payables for November 17, 2025, in the amount of \$165,217.11. Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the Revised Accounts Payables. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin and the motion unanimously carried.

Recognitions and Proclamations - None

Old Business - None

New Business

Consideration of Ordinance for Immediate Consideration

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to consider Ordinance 1063 The Election and Appointment of City Official, which changes Community Relations Coordinator to Community Relations Director for immediate consideration. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to approve Ordinance 1063 on unanimous consent. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thompson and the motion unanimously carried with all members voting in the affirmative.

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Consideration of Resolutions

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-11 Appointment of Non-Elected Public Official-Community Relations Director, Haley Kern who shall be temporarily appointed for a term not to exceed 76 days and shall require full appointment on or before February 2, 2026. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to approve Resolution 1125-11. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-12 Appropriation to Baldwin County High School earmarked for the Theatre Department in the amount of \$3,000; with funds being expended in the amount of \$500 from the Mayor and \$500 from each Councilmember's contingency fund. Councilmember Thompson moved to approve

Resolution 1125-12. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-13 to Grant a Special Exception to Ordinance 1030 Regulations for Special Events/Parades for the North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce to allow for the use of a Polaris during Christmas Fest. Councilmember Franklin moved to approve Resolution 1125-13. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thompson and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-14 to Grant a Special Exception to Ordinance 1030 Regulations for Special Events/Parades for the Abba Shrine Street Camels to Participate while using Go Carts, Golf Carts, ATVs, and SUVs in the Christmas Parade. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to approve Resolution 1125-14. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-15 to Waive the Rental Fee for the John F. Rhodes Civic Center on March 14, 2026 for the Bay Minette Atmore Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc. to host their Annual Scholarship Ball. Councilmember Thompson moved to approve Resolution 1125-15. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips, and the motion carried with the ayes being: Mayor Brown, Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Franklin, and Councilmember Thompson; Councilmember Norman abstained.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1125-16 to Waive the Rental Fee for the Douglasville School of Arts and Recreation on Saturday, December 20, 2025 for the Chosen Youth Outreach Ministry to host their Annual Christmas on the Circle. Councilmember Franklin moved to approve Resolution 1125-16. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thompson, and the motion unanimously carried.

Resolution 1125-17 was tabled.

Report of the Mayor and/or Council

Mayor Brown made the following Mayoral Appointments:

- *Airport Authority Staff Member Update*
Jessica Powers, City Treasurer/Finance Director, will replace Tammy Smith as the Staff Member for the Bay Minette Airport Authority.

Citizens Comments

Mayor Brown recognized Mr. Gene White and Mr. Rick Oleniczak who spoke concerning Holly Hills discontinuing the Snowbird Membership Rates and asked that the Snowbird Membership Rates be reinstated.

Adjournment

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion, and the motion unanimously carried.

Done on this on the 17th day of November 2025.



Joshua O. Brown, Mayor

Attest:



Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk