

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA
AS HELD FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette was held on February 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall in Bay Minette, Alabama; this being the proper place, scheduled date and hour for holding such a meeting.

On roll call, the following members of the Council were found to be present: Mayor Robert A. Wills; Councilmember Pete Sellers; Mayor Pro Tempore Mike Phillips; Councilmember Matt Franklin; Councilmember William Taylor; and Councilmember Shannon Clemmons. Others in regular attendance: Scotty Lewis, Stone-Crosby, PC; Tammy Smith, City Administrator/CFO; Rita Diedrich, City Clerk; Tina Covington, Community Relations Coordinator; Al Tolbert, Chief of Police; Earl Stephens, Municipal Court Clerk; Kristina Pittman, North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce Executive Director and Jason Padgett, North Baldwin Utilities General Manager/CEO. Guest included: Emily Ham, International Paper Company; and Matalynn Padgett.

Mayor Wills called the meeting to order, and Councilmember Taylor gave the invocation. Councilmember Franklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wills recognized Earl Stephens and presented him a certificate of appreciation for his service as he will be leaving the City of Bay Minette on February 27, 2024.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Item A: Consideration of the Minutes of February 5, 2024, City Council Meeting and Work Session. Councilmember Taylor moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Franklin seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

The Report of Finance Committee and Board/Commissions included the following:

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve the payables for February 20, 2024, in the amount of \$744,617.43. Councilmember Franklin moved to approve the payables. Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor's Report.

Mayor Wills announced that he and Congressman Carl toured the Justice Center along with Chief Tolbert yesterday. Mayor Wills asked Chief Tolbert to present an update on efforts to relocate to the new building. Chief Tolbert announced that all personnel have been moved and the remaining items should be moved in the near future.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to table Ordinance 1043 to Amend a Portion of Ordinance 1039, Section 26, Schedule "M" Entitled "Manufacturers" until the next regular meeting. Councilmember Sellers moved to table Ordinance 1043 until the next regular meeting. Councilmember Franklin seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0224-06 the Men of the Coalition Rental Fee Waiver for Douglasville School of Arts and Recreation Pavilion and Ulmer Park. Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Clemmons seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0224-07 Coastal Alabama College TRIO SS Rental Fee Waiver for the John F. Rhodes Civic Center. Councilmember Clemmons moved to approve the Resolution. Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0224-08 ABC Permitting Denali Brothers, Inc. d/b/a Bay Minette Liquor Wine Cigar for an 011 Lounge Retail Liquor—Class 11 (Package) and 990 Tobacco Only Licenses. Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Clemmons seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

There were no Council/Citizens Comments.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Franklin moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Taylor seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Done this 20th day of February 2024.



Robert A. "Bob" Wills, Mayor

Attest:



Rita Diedrich, City Clerk