



**The Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council of
the City of Bay Minette, Alabama as Held on January 27, 2025**

The rescheduled regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette was held on January 27, 2025, 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:

Robert A. Wills, Mayor
Pete Sellers, Councilmember District 1
Mike Phillips, Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember District 2
Matt Franklin, Councilmember District 3
William Taylor, Councilmember District 4
Shannon Clemmons, Councilmember District 5

Staff/Others in regular attendance:

Scotty Lewis, Stone-Crosby, PC
Tammy Smith, City Administrator/Finance Director
Tina Covington, Community Relations Coordinator
Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk
Kristina Pittman, North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

Guests included: Bay Minette Police Department:

Al Tolbert, Chief of Police
Andy Taylor, Captain
Kendrick Banks, Lieutenant
Jimmy Stracener, Lieutenant
Robert Gates, Lieutenant
Marcus Sledge, Sergeant
Jeff Weaver, Sergeant
Troy Kelly, Sergeant/K-9 Harko
Tyler Hodgen, Sergeant
Sean Arnold, Corporal
Matthew Watson, Corporal
Brian Harris, Officer
Claudero Riley, Officer
Jessie Kelly, Officer

Mayor Wills called the meeting to order.

Sergeant Gates gave the invocation.

Councilmember Sellers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wills and the City Councilmembers expressed their appreciation for the work of the Police Department.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the City Council Meeting and Work Session held on January 6, 2025. Councilmember Taylor moved to approve the Minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve the Revised Accounts Payables for January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$304,568.29. Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips moved to approve the Revised Accounts Payables. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Taylor, and the motion unanimously carried.

Recognition and/or Proclamations

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve a proclamation for *Human Trafficking Awareness Month*. Councilmember Clemmons moved to approve the Proclamation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sellers, and the motion unanimously carried.

Old Business - None

New Business

Consideration of Resolutions

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-04 Tom Kelly Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation reduction of fifty percent of rental fees for the John F. Rhodes Civic Center on February 28, 2025. Councilmember Franklin moved to approve Resolution 0125-04. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Phillips, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-05 to appoint a new member, Jessica Hadley to the Bay Minette Industrial Development Board to complete the term vacated by Shane Hadley with the term to expire on March 1, 2027. Councilmember Franklin moved to approve Resolution 0125-05. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sellers, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-06 Appropriation to the Baldwin County High School Earmarked for the Baldwin County High School Fishing Team Trailer in the amount of \$2,895. Contingency funds will be expended as follows: Mayor-\$895, District 1-\$400, District 2-\$400, District 3-\$400, District 4-\$400 and District 5-\$400. Councilmember Clemmons moved to approve Resolution 0125-06. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-07 Authorizing Mayor to negotiate and enter into a resolution agreement with Scott Pezent, Brandi Pezent and Justin Beasley Construction, LLC concerning the Bryar Rose property. Councilmember Clemmons moved to approve Resolution 0125-07. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-08 to Amend Resolutions 1024-10 and 1124-01 for the North Baldwin Chamber. Councilmember Sellers moved to approve Resolution 0125-08. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Phillips, and the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Wills asked for a motion to approve Resolution 0125-09 Ratifying Declaration of Emergency as Authorized in Ordinance 1029 in Accordance with Section 31-9-10 (3)(1) of the Code of Alabama 1975. Councilmember Taylor moved to approve Resolution 0125-09. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin, and the motion unanimously carried.

Report of the Mayor and/or Council

Citizens Comments—None

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

Done this 27th day of January 2025.



Robert A. Wills, Mayor

Attest:



Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk