

**MINUTES OF  
TOWN OF PLAIN DEALING  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY APRIL 12, 2022  
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM  
205 WEST PALMETTO AVE  
6:00 P. M.  
LEON SANDERS JR., MUNICIPAL COMPLEX**

- 1. Call meeting to order** – Mayor Gay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Invocation - Town Attorney, Douglas C Dominick**, led all present in the prayer.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance** - Alderman Cook led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Roll Call** - Town Clerk, Rolandria McCauley, performed a roll call and verified that a quorum was present. The following Board of Aldermen were present: Jeff Benson, Shanithia Gay, Emily Jennings, James Cook and Judith McGuffey.
- 5. Approve Agenda** –Mayor Gay asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Shanithia Gay and seconded by James Cook. All members voted in favor of the approved agenda.
- 6. Approve Minutes**- Mayor Gay asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022 minutes. Motion was made by James Cook and seconded by Emily Jennings. All members voted in favor of the approval of the minutes.
- 7. Approve the Expense Report**-Mayor Gay asked for an approval for the expense report for March 8, 2022. A motion was made by James Cook and seconded by Emily Jennings. All members of the council voted in favor of the reports.
- 8. Department reports:**
  - a. **Police Department** - Mayor Gay reported that the Chief of Police had provided a written report on activity of the Plain Dealing Police Department. There were 217 total calls, 71 traffic stops and 14 violations written for the month of March of 2022.
  - b. **Public Works Department** – Kevin Whitton reported that his crew is currently working on repairs of the lift station for several areas in Plain Dealing. He also presented quote from companies that are willing to perform the work on the lift stations. **A motion was made by James Cook and seconded by Emily Jennings for the Mayor to move forward with the necessary quotes to purchase two pumps for Mockingbird Lane (and to use the best quote) and to purchase said pumps. No public comments. This motion carried with all board members voting in favor.**

**9. OLD BUSINESS-** Attorney Doug Dominick gave an update regarding the sawmill. Attorney states that he and Patrick Jackson are reviewing the contract and working on details of the upcoming sawmill.

**10. NEW BUSINESS-**

**A.** Lanora Myers spoke on behalf of the Plain Dealing Community Group. The group has planned a carnival for the citizens of Plain Dealing. The date of the event is June 4, 2022. A motion was made by James Cook and seconded by Emily Jennings to authorize the use of the community center on June 4, 2022 and further authorize the temporary closure of Cotton Belt, Palmetto, Lynch and Perrin Street during the event. This motion passed with the following members voting in favor thereof (Benson, Jennings and Cook voting in favor and with Alderman Gay and Alderman McGuffey abstaining as they are members of this group).

**B.** There is a request to observe Juneteenth as a paid holiday and to amended the policy manual to reflect the change. A motion was made by James Cook and seconded by Emily Jennings. This motion passed with all members voting in favor thereof.

**C. Community Center Applications**

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church- Pastor's Banquet May 14, 2022

Clara West- May 21, 2022

LaKisha Briggs- Baby Shower May 22, 2022

A motion was made by Judith McGuffey and seconded Emily Jennings to approve all community center applications as presented. This motion passed with all members voting in favor thereof.

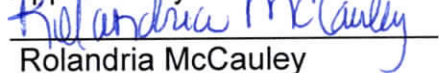
**11. Council Remarks-** Emily Jennings wanted to make sure that there is adequate insurance coverage at the lake.

**Mayors Comments:** Easter Egg hunt will be held at First Baptist on Saturday April 16, 2022 from 12:30 to 2:30 PM.

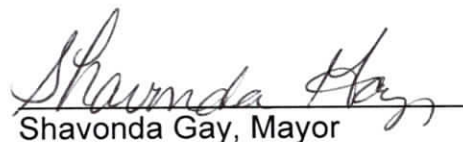
**12. Adjourn –** motion was made by Judith McGuffey and seconded by James Cook to adjourn the meeting. This motion passed with all members voting in favor thereof

Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P M

Approved by:

  
Rolandria McCauley

April 12, 2022

  
Shavonda Gay, Mayor