

**Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting**  
**Monday, May 22, 2023**  
**6:30PM**

The mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call, the following members were present:

Councilmember George Ragland – Present  
Councilmember Hopkins – Present  
Councilmember Jason Garstka – Present  
Councilmember Casey Whitman – Present  
Councilmember Levoneia Ayers – Present  
Mayor Mary Caudle – Present

Members present constituted a quorum.

Legal counsel Caleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Motion by Councilman Whitman to approve the minutes dated May 8, 2023, with correction.  
Councilman Garstka second the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Whitman to go into executive session, time 6:32pm. Councilman Garstka second the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Whitman to return to the regular order of business, time 6:36pm. Councilman Garstka second the motion. Motion carried.

**Mayor Caudle's Report:** We received notification from Huntsville Utilities that they will begin work installing 5 streetlights beginning next week.

Received an email from Representative Cole stating he did introduce the Impact Fee Bill. He's gathering signatures and support for the Bill hopefully it will hit the floor soon.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Fire & Police:** Chairperson Ragland reported Fire Dept. responded to 2 Outside fires, 4 Fire alarms, 12 Emergency Calls for service, 2 motor vehicle accidents and 3 others.

Police Officers traveled 2,356 miles, made 34 Traffic Stops, 28 Warning Citations, 13 Traffic Citations, 37 Calls for service, 2 Arrests and 9 Reports.

**Finance: No Report**

Councilman Ragland asked if the 2023 Budget was complete. Councilmember Hopkins stated they don't have the final approved budget to present to the council.

The mayor stated with our population the state does not require that we have a budget we do once to allow our citizens know what we are spending and that council votes on what's spent every month.

**Utility:** Chairperson Whitman reported that Malvern Hills subdivision is getting close to getting their sewer inspections approved by Madison Utilities to begin building houses.

Mayor reported Huntsville Utilities put up new utility poles, lights have been changed out and cut tree limbs back.

**Park & Recreation:** Chairperson Ayers reported the following: The afterschool program will end soon; Preparing for the summer camp program; The seniors exercise program is going well, and the Veteran's Memorial Monument is under construction in the park.

The mayor stated we're looking for student workers to help with the summer program, pay is \$14.00hrly. This will be for 2 months.

**Streets & Cemetery:** No Report.

Chairperson Garstka stated he would like to talk with the maintenance crew about putting up street signs around town. Mayor stated he would have to schedule a time because the guys would be out cutting grass.

**Ordinances, Resolutions, Orders and Others Business:**

Motion by Councilmember Ragland to approve Ordinance 2023-01. Mr. Whitman, Chairperson of P&Z stated this is an Ordinance requesting a rezone initiated by Paul Bracey for the property at 636/658 Landess Cir. The request is to rezone said property from R-1 residential to B-1 commercial.

Councilmember Ragland made the motion to change the property from R-1 Residential to B-1 Commercial. Motion died for lack of second.

Councilman Ragland expressed his disapproval for lack of support from the council.

**Public Comments:**

George Malone expressed his support for and the benefits of having a restaurant in Triana. He stated this would help generate income for Triana. He stated the income that we have coming in now is from building houses. Most of the income is going into Madison and Huntsville because both have positioned themselves to do so because they have businesses. We can't do that if we're not given an opportunity. He expects the council to be able to do that.

Mr. Malone stated he does not know who maintains the road on Landess Cir., but that Huntsville and the City of Madison have trucks going down tearing up the roads and there's a new subdivision coming in. He asked the council, what do we do to maintain or to improve those roads?

Theresa Nelson asked what address the streetlight on Landess Cir. nearby. Mayor stated near 944 Landess Cir.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date Approved June 12, 2023

Sharron Humphrey  
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor  
Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore