

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 16, 2021

5:30 P.M.

The Haleyville City Council met in Regular Session in the Courtroom at the Haleyville City Hall at 5:30 P.M. on August 16, 2021. Jeff Mobley provided the invocation.

Mayor Ken Sunseri called the meeting to order and stated the following members were present: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry and Councilman Drew Thrasher. Participating via telephone were Council Member Julie "Boo" Brooks and Councilmember Jonathan Bennett. Absent - Councilmember Blue Russell. Jeff Mobley and Acting City Clerk Susan Morgan were present.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of the Regular Council Meeting minutes of August 2, 2021 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks, and Council Member Jonathan Bennett. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None.

Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for immediate consideration of the July 2021 General Obligation Bills and P.O.'s in the amount of \$430,703.07 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of the July 2021 General Obligation Bills and P.O.'s in the amount of \$430,703.07 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution #2021-17 to submit an application to ALDOT to obtain Gas Excise Tax funds for projects in Brookhaven, Hilltop, 15<sup>th</sup> Ave, 35<sup>th</sup> Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Ave, and 28<sup>th</sup> Street and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of Resolution #2021-17 to submit an application to ALDOT to obtain Gas Excise Tax funds for projects in Brookhaven, Hilltop, 15<sup>th</sup> Ave, 35<sup>th</sup> Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Ave, and 28<sup>th</sup> Street and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None.

Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution #2021-18 for Airport Change Order 1 as requested by The Cassidy Company in the amount of \$21,856.08 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of Resolution #2021-18 for Airport Change Order 1 as requested by The Cassidy Company in the amount of \$21,856.08 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution #2021-19 to authorize Acting City Engineer Calvin Cassidy to accept bids to bring back to the City Council to resurface and stripe the hospital parking lot which is estimated to cost \$278,000.00 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay - None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of Resolution

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Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution #2021-20 for Acting City Engineer Calvin Cassidy to accept bids for the stage roof at the Heart of the City Park to bring back to the City Council and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None. Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for approval of Resolution #2021-20 for Acting City Engineer Calvin Cassidy to accept bids for the stage roof at the Heart of the City Park to bring back to the City Council and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None.

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Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the good name and Character of an individual and Councilmember Brian Berry seconded his motion. City Attorney Jeff Mobley certified that any issues the Council discusses will be acceptable under the Open Meeting Laws. City Attorney Jeff Mobley also requested that Police Chief Rodney Lewis sit in the Executive Session. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain- None. Voting nay – None.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion to come back into Regular Session and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain- None. Voting nay – None.

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Councilmember Jonathan Bennett was unable to sustain his telephone connection to the meeting. Remaining members were Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks via telephone.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher gave recommendation that the City purchase a zero turn lawnmower from Artic Tractor for the purchase price of \$5,650.00. Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for immediate consideration to purchase a zero turn lawnmower from Artic Tractor for the purchase price of \$5,650.00 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval to purchase a zero turn lawnmower from Artic Tractor for the purchase price of \$5,650.00 and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None.



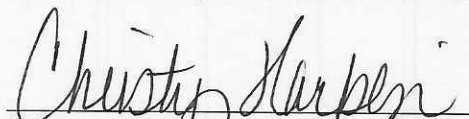
Councilmember Brian Berry made a motion for immediate consideration to grant pay only to vaccinated employees that have contracted Covid-19 and must be quarantined and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher to grant pay only to vaccinated employees that have contracted Covid-19 and must be quarantined and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None.


Councilmember Brian Berry reported the July 2021 Fire Runs.

Mayor Ken Sunseri reported on Covid-19 hospitalizations in the state.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher urged everyone that has not received a vaccine to seriously consider it to stop the spread of the virus and slow hospitalizations.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Brian Berry and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Abstain - None. Voting nay – None.

  
Susan Morgan  
Acting City Clerk

  
Ken Sunseri  
Mayor