

TOWN OF RAGLAND

RICHARD BUNT
MAYOR

PENNY OWENS
TOWN CLERK

JAMES "BUBBA" BROWN
CHIEF OF POLICE



COUNCIL MEMBERS

CARLTON BYERS - DIST 1

DAVID YANCE - DIST 2

PAT FORD - DIST 3

BRIAN PHILLIPS - DIST 4

COREY GARDNER - DIST 5

The Ragland Town Council met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m., at the Ragland Municipal Complex Council Chamber, 220 Fredia Street, Ragland, Alabama 35131 on Monday, 8th January 2024.

Present

Richard Bunt	Mayor
David Yance	Councilmember
Pat Ford	Councilmember
Brian Phillips	Councilmember

Absent

Corey Gardner	Councilmember
Carlton Byers	Councilmember

Establish a Quorum

Mayor Bunt called the meeting to order and stated a quorum was present.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation given by Mayor Bunt.

Mayor Bunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilmember Phillips to approve the previous minutes and seconded by Yance, motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of payment of the bills

On motion by Councilmember Yance to pay all bills and seconded by Ford, motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Consider adopting Proclamation-Human Trafficking Awareness Month

On motion by Councilmember Phillips to adopt a Proclamation regarding Human Trafficking Awareness Month and seconded by Ford, motion passed unanimously.

2. Consider item related to debt service

The legal advisor Jim Hill stated that nothing was to be voted on tonight, this is only information. A special call meeting will be held on January 23rd at 5:00 p.m. He stated that the town will borrow \$1.6 million and net \$1.5 million with an interest rate of 3.9% on a 20-year issue and the annual payments will vary between \$113,000 and \$117,000. Mayor Bunt stated this will be paid back with new revenues.

Supervisor Reports

None

Mayoral and Council Reports

Mayor Bunt announced that the pad for the building was coming along and thanked St. Clair County for doing the work and saving the town money. He also stated that the building had been ordered.

Mayor Bunt stated that the citizens needed to remove the Christmas decorations from the walking track and the Street Department would remove the remaining.

Mayor Bunt stated that the library was examining numerous projects.

Guests

Holley Pugh with Hope Filled Rooms thanked the Council for adopting the Proclamation and updated the Council with statistics and local dangers of human trafficking.

Adjournment

On motion by Councilmember Phillips to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Yance.

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at approximately 6:13 p. m.

/s/ Richard Bunt

Richard Bunt, Mayor

/s/ Penny Owens

Penny Owens, Clerk

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