OPELIKA CITY COUNCIL
" CALLED MEETING MINUTES "
300 Martin Luther King Blvd.
September 1, 2020
TIME: 12:00 PM

1. Call to Order

President Smith called this special called council meeting to order at 12:00 pm (Noon) asking Mr. Jones to call the roll.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Jones called the roll and all members were present.

1. Patricia Jones, Tiffany Gibson-Pitts, Dozier Smith T, David Canon, Eddie Smith

3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Reading of Minutes
6. Unfinished Business
7. Remarks By the Mayor
8. Citizen Communications
9. Report of Disbursements
10. Committee Reports
11. General Business
12. Awarding of Bids
13. Resolutions

President Smith asked Mr. Jones to explain the process of canvassing the provisional ballots. Mr. Jones explained how the provisional ballots would be counted and proceeded to do so with help from President Smith. During the process of getting the provisional ballots ready to be counted, Mr. Gunter asked President Smith if he could explain what the provisional process was all about and President Smith agreed. Mr. Gunter gave an explanation of the process and why there are provisional ballots. After the specific provisional ballots that were determined to be counted by the Board of Registrars were made ready to be read aloud, Mr. Jones read the votes aloud and they were tallied by the council. President Smith read the provisional ballot tally's and total number of votes for each candidate and asked if the council all agreed on the totals he had. The council all agreed on said totals. President Smith then asked Mr. Gunter to present the resolution to canvass the votes.

1. Resolution 183-20 Canvassing 8/25 Election Results.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dozier Smith T, Council Member
SECONDER:	Patricia Jones, President Pro-Tem
AYES:	Jones, Gibson-Pitts, Smith T, Canon, Smith

14. Ordinances

15. Appointments

16. Adjourn

The City Council meeting minutes of September 1, 2020 are hereby adopted and approved this the 15th day of September, 2020.

/s/ Eddie Smith

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President of City Council

City of Opelika, Alabama

ATTEST:

/s/ Russell A. Jones

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Russell A. Jones

City Clerk - Treasurer

1. Motion to Adjourn.

The special called council meeting ended at 12:25 pm.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Patricia Jones, President Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Dozier Smith T, Council Member
AYES:	Jones, Gibson-Pitts, Smith T, Canon, Smith

RESOLUTION NO. 183-20

Canvassing 8/25 Election Results.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RESULTS

OF AUGUST 25, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the general election for the City of Opelika, Alabama, was duly and legally held on August 25, 2020, as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the municipal governing body of the City of Opelika met on this the 1st day of September, 2020, at 12:00 noon, a quorum thereof being present, and canvassed the returns and has ascertained and determined the number of votes received by each candidate; and

WHEREAS, the municipal governing body has ascertained and determined the results of said election as follows:

FOR MAYOR:

NAME	WARD ONE	WARD TWO	WARD THREE	WARD FOUR	WARD FIVE	ABSENTEE BALLOT BOX	PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	TOTAL
GARY FULLER	363	530	797	1279	1332	237	14	4552
TIFFANY GIBSON-PITTS	551	637	220	252	409	237	8	2314

FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE NO. 1:

	WARD	ABSENTEE	PROVISIONAL

NAME	WARD ONE	ABSENTEE BALLOT BOX	PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	TOTAL
George Allen	229	80	0	309
Melvin Brooks	129	22	0	151
Elizabeth Burton	63	5	0	68
Robert Johnson	76	5	1	82
Jamie Lowe	389	30	0	419
Alexis Meniefield	15	2	0	17

FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE NO. 2:

NAME	WARD TWO	ABSENTEE BALLOT BOX	PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	TOTAL
ERICA NORRIS	678	61	1	740
OSCAR L. PENN, III	441	45	0	486

FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE NO. 3:

NAME	WARD THREE	ABSENTEE BALLOT BOX	PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	TOTAL
MICHAEL CARTER	333	10	0	343
ROBERT LOFTON	452	19	4	475
KELLI THOMPSON	210	9	0	219

FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE NO. 5:

NAME	WARD FIVE	ABSENTEE BALLOT BOX	PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	TOTAL
CHUCK ADAMS	298	8	0	306
DAVID CANON	428	15	4	447
BRANDON FINCHER	268	8	3	279
TODD RAUCH	734	27	1	762

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Opelika as follows:

1. That Gary Fuller received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Mayor and Gary Fuller is declared duly elected to said office for the term of office beginning on the first Monday in November, 2020.

2. That the Mayor of the City of Opelika be and he is hereby directed to issue a Certificate of Election to Gary Fuller for the office of Mayor for such term pursuant to the provisions of §11-46-55, of the *Code of Alabama*, (1975, as amended).

3. That no candidate received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Council Member Place No. 1 on the City Council and Jamie Lowe and George Allen received the most and second most votes cast for that office, therefore, a run-off election between said candidates is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, pursuant to the requirements of Section 11-46-20 et seq., of the Alabama Code of 1975, as amended.

4. That Erica Norris received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Council Member Place No. 2 on the City Council and Erica Norris is declared duly elected to said office for the term of office beginning on the first Monday in November, 2020.

5. That the Mayor of the City of Opelika be and he is hereby directed to issue a Certificate of Election to Erica Norris for the office of Council Member Place No. 2 for such term pursuant to the provisions of §11-46-55, of the *Code of Alabama*, (1975, as amended).

6. That no candidate received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Council Member Place No. 3 on the City Council and Robert Lofton and Michael Carter received the most and second most votes cast for that office, therefore, a run-off election between said candidates is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, pursuant to the requirements of Section 11-46-20 et seq., of the Alabama Code of 1975, as amended.

7. That no candidate received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Council Member Place No. 5 on the City Council and Todd Rauch and David Canon received the most and second most votes cast for that office; therefore, a run-off election between said candidates is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, pursuant to the requirements of Section 11-46-20 et seq., of the Alabama Code of 1975, as amended.

9. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to cause a copy of this resolution to be published one (1) time in The Opelika-Auburn News, a newspaper in and of general circulation in the City of Opelika, Lee County, Alabama.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the ___ day of _____, 2020.

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PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OPELIKA, ALABAMA

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK