

TOWN OF RAGLAND

BRIAN PHILLIPS
MAYOR

PENNY OWENS
TOWN CLERK

DANNY WATSON
CHIEF OF POLICE



COUNCIL MEMBERS

KELVIN BYERS - DIST 1

DAVID YANCE - DIST 2

MARTY GASTON -DIST 3

TIM MCKINNEY - DIST 4

ANDY GARRISON-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 June 2026.

Present

Brian Phillips	Mayor
David Yance	Councilmember
Marty Gaston	Councilmember
Tim McKinney	Councilmember
Andy Garrison	Councilmember

Absent

Kelvin Byers	Councilmember
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Establish a Quorum

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation given by Councilmember Garrison
Councilmember Yance led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilmember Garrison to approve minutes and seconded by Gaston, motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of payment of the bills

On motion by Councilmember Yance to approve payment of the bills and seconded by McKinney, motion passed unanimously.

Previous Business

None

New Business

1. Consider Resolution 2026-012 Formalizing closure of alley from council minutes dated Aug 9, 2004

On motion by Councilmember Yance to adopt Resolution 2026-012 and a second by Councilmember Garrison, motion passed unanimously.

2. Consider Resolution 2026-013 Hazard Mitigation Plan

On motion by Councilmember McKinney to adopt Resolution 2026-013 and seconded by Yance, motion passed unanimously.

3. Consider renewing M4A agreement FY2027

On motion by Councilmember Garrison to renew M4A agreement and seconded by Gaston, motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider approving Rally for Ragland Committee to use the football field parking lot community rally June 13th

On motion by Councilmember Yance to approve the use of the football field parking lot for community rally and seconded by McKinney, motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider adopting Proclamation for May 19th as Rally for Ragland Day

On motion by Councilmember Garrison to adopt Proclamation and seconded by Yance, motion passed unanimously.

6. Consider approving voting machine agreement with St. Clair County Commission

On motion by Councilmember Gaston to approve agreement and seconded by McKinney, motion passed unanimously.

7. Consider approving up to \$1,000 for fireworks for Rally for Ragland Day

On motion by Councilmember Yance to approve fireworks up to \$1,000 with weather permitting and seconded by McKinney, motion passed unanimously.

8. Consider approving use of the youth fields for a kickball tournament

Mayor Phillips stated that the request would remain pending until a certificate of insurance naming the Town as the insured is provided. On motion by Councilmember Garrison to approve use of the youth fields contingent upon submission of the required certificate of insurance and seconded by Councilmember Yance, the motion passed unanimously.

9. Consider authorizing the solicitation of bids to replace the existing Masonite with metal siding around the Town Hall building

On motion by Councilmember Garrison to authorize the solicitation of bids to replace the siding at Town Hall and seconded by McKinney, motion passed unanimously.

10. Consider allowing Mayor Phillips to explore feasible options for the old town hall/police building

Mayor Phillips stated that this action would allow him to obtain quotes to restore the building for potential grant opportunities. On motion by Councilmember Garrison for Mayor Phillips to explore available options and seconded by Councilmember McKinney, the motion passed unanimously.

11. Consider Resolution 2026-014 Authorizing the Lease of Equipment for the Street Department

Mayor Phillips stated that the lease-purchase was included in the budget and that the vendor is listed on the state bid list. He explained that the equipment includes a new Kubota tractor with batwing mower for cutting rights-of-way and an RTV for vegetation spraying. The total amount came in under budget, with a forty-eight-month annual payment of \$37,070.21. On motion by Councilmember Garrison to adopt Resolution 2026-014, and seconded by Councilmember Yance, the motion passed unanimously.

12. Consider purchasing replacement batteries for the Rescue Department's Heart Monitors at a cost up to \$2,700

On motion by Councilmember McKinney to approve purchase and seconded by Yance. Rescue Chief Jeff French noted that the batteries have an expected lifespan of 5–6 years, with each monitor requiring two batteries, motion passed unanimously.

Mayoral and Council Reports

Mayor Phillips reported that he and Councilmember Garrison met with the grant writer, and that Mayor Phillips developed the 'Forward to Ragland' initiative outlining five key projects for the Town to pursue. The initiative is intended to enhance the quality of life for citizens, with a focus on safety and community fellowship.

Councilmember Gaston reported baseball season is coming to an end and thanked Bert and his department for the work completed at the fields.

Supervisor Reports.

None

Guests

Mayor Phillips introduced the Town's Legal Advisor, Kirk Walker.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Gaston made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Yance and seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:18 p. m.

/s/ Brian Phillips

Brian Phillips, Mayor

/s/ Penny Owens

Penny Owens, Clerk

