



MINUTES
Special Called Council Meeting
February 15, 2022 - 6:00 pm
South Congaree Town Hall
Council Chambers
119 West Berry Rd.
West Columbia, SC, 29172

Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Mechelle Mabry and Council Members Jim Drennan, Brian Jackson and Bobby Porter

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:11 PM.

A quorum was present.

Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.

Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Jackson, voted unanimously to enter executive session.

II. Executive Session

A. Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

Discussion of employment, compensation, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee.

Personnel matter(s): Town Clerk

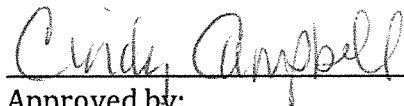
Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mabry, voted unanimously to reconvene at 6:32 PM in public session.

III. Adjournment

Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Jackson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 PM.



Attested by:



Approved by:
Cindy Campbell,
Mayor



Date Approved



MINUTES
Council Meeting
February 15, 2022 - 6:30 pm
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Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Mechelle Mabry and Council Members Jim Drennan, Brian Jackson and Bobby Porter

I. Call to Order

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM.

A quorum was present.

Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.

II. First Reading Ordinance 22-01

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT LEXINGTON COUNTY BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE CHAPTER 14 – BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS; ARTICLE V – BUILDING CODES

As of February 9, 2022, Lexington County officially began issuing building permits and performing required inspections within the Town of South Congaree. As part of the agreement with Lexington County, the Town is to adopt Lexington County's Building Code Ordinance.

Councilman Drennan made a motion to adopt Ordinance 22-01 as published, seconded by Councilman Porter. Councilman Jackson asked if when the Town goes back to doing this ourselves, will Council repeal this ordinance? Mayor Campbell advised the agreement with Lexington County is for six months; on June 30, 2022, should the Town not have hired a Building Official, the agreement with Lexington County can be extended. Mayor Pro Tem Mabry requested the Lexington County Building Code Ordinance be maintained with Ordinance 22-01. Town Attorney, Mr. John Rakowsky, advised the copy will be incorporated as reference. Councilman Drennan asked when Council will hold the second reading. Mayor Campbell advised the second reading is to be six days after the first reading. Council agreed to schedule the Second Reading of Ordinance 22-01 for Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 6:30 PM.

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan – Yes

Councilman Jackson – Yes

Mayor Pro Tem Mabry – Yes

Councilman Porter – Yes

Mayor Campbell – Yes

III. Approval of Minutes

December 21, 2021
January 13, 2022
January 18, 2022
January 28, 2022

Pro Tem Mabry made a motion to accept the minutes from the December 21, 2021, Regular Scheduled Council Meeting, seconded by Councilman Drennan. Council voted unanimously to approve.

Councilman Porter made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 13, 2022, Public Hearing on Hospitality Tax and Council Work Session Meeting. No second was made. Mayor Pro Tem Mabry requested Council table the minutes because there were some more details that were left out. Mayor Pro Tem Mabry made a motion to postpone the acceptance of the January 13, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Drennan. Councilman Drennan stated that Mayor Pro Tem Mabry made a motion to accept the 11 paid holidays and there is actually just ten; he stated January 2, 2023, was added which is a different year. Councilman Drennan stated there was some discussion about adding Martin Luther King Day and we didn't add that one to the proposed list but there was also another mention from Mayor Pro Tem Mabry that we would consider Veteran's Day. Mayor Pro Tem Mabry asked if Council could put in writing what they feel the changes need to be. Mayor Campbell stated that the audio recording of the meeting confirms Martin Luther King Day was not included and Veterans Day was. Councilman Drennan stated that Martin Luther King Day was not included but was discussed and he wanted the discussion to be included in the minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Mabry suggested Councilman Drennan put it in writing and submit to Council at the next meeting. Council voted unanimously to postpone the acceptance of the January 13, 2022, minutes.

Councilman Jackson made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 18, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mabry. Council voted to approve with one opposed vote by Councilman Drennan.

Mayor Pro Tem Mabry made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 28, 2022, Special Called Council Meeting, seconded by Councilman Drennan. Council voted unanimously to approve.

IV. Airport High School Education Foundation

The Airport High School Education Foundation hosts an annual auction that benefits Airport High School. The money raised is given as scholarships and grants. This year's gala and auction is to be held Tuesday, April 26, 2022.

Councilman Drennan made a motion that Council support the Airport High School Education Foundation in the amount of \$400, seconded by Councilman Porter. Councilman Jackson stated that he would like to see Council work to include in the budget for the upcoming year to offer a scholarship to an AHS student that is a resident of the town. Mayor Campbell advised this will be added to the March work session agenda.

Roll Call Vote –
Councilman Drennan - Yes
Councilman Jackson - Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry - Yes
Councilman Porter - Yes
Mayor Campbell - Yes

V. Second Reading Ordinance 21-005

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A LOCAL HOSPITALITY TAX ON THE SALES OF PREPARED MEALS AND BEVERAGES IN ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH CONGAREE

Mayor Campbell stated that during the January 18, 2022, meeting, a vote carried to table the second reading of Ordinance 21-005 until the February 10, 2022, work session meeting to allow Council to compile a list of projects. According to Roberts' Rules of Order, the motion should have been to postpone the second reading. Since the motion to table was passed and no list has been compiled, Council should vote to take the tabled motion off the table and instead vote to postpone the second reading.

Councilman Porter made a motion to take from the table the second reading of Ordinance 21-005. No second was made. Mayor Campbell advised that when a motion does not receive a second the motion is dead.

VI. Reports

Police Report – Chief Shumpert

Chief Shumpert reported the snowflakes will be removed from street lights on Thursday, February 17, with the assistance of Mid Carolina. Chief Shumpert stated that he hopes to hold an auction in April to include approximately 16 vehicles. The police equipment is being removed from the old police vehicles and plans are to include those vehicles in the April auction. The Chief advised Council that School Resource Officer Brand's vehicle is completely marked and Officer Walker's vehicle will be completed in March. There have been no applications received to date for the vacant certified officer position. Chief Shumpert advised that SRO Brand has been at the police academy in class to receive SRO Certification.

Chief Shumpert presented to Council an Off-Duty Police Agreement and procedures to be used should officers obtain off-duty employment.

Officer Walker reported there have been 130 ordinance/code citations issued to date; 65 are pending in jury trials and 16 pending future court dates. Officer Walker stated he will be working with Lexington County to ensure building codes are being adhered to. Councilman Porter requested that Officer Walker provide a report (via Excel) to Council.

VII. Citizens Comments

Public comment was made by Jerry Smith.

Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted unanimously to enter executive session.

Council took a 5-minute recess.

VIII. Executive Session

A. Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

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Police Department
Town Clerk

B. Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

Discussion of legal matters covered by the attorney-client privilege.

Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Jackson, voted unanimously to reconvene at 8:05 PM in public session.


Councilman Jackson made a motion to pay the current officers to include Chief Shumpert, Major Jonas, Officer Alonzo, Officer Walker and SRO Brand, premium pay from the American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$13 per hour for 504 hours equaling \$6,552.00 each, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Roll Call Vote –
Councilman Drennan – Yes
Councilman Jackson – Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry – Yes
Councilman Porter – Yes
Mayor Campbell – Yes

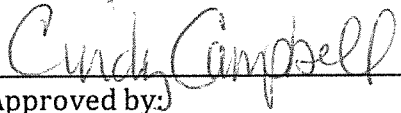
Mayor Campbell advised she will confirm with MASC Field Representative, Jeff Shacker, the details before requesting the bookkeeper issue checks.

IX. Adjournment

Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Jackson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM.



Attested by:



Approved by:
Cindy Campbell,
Mayor
3.15.2022

Date Approved