



MINUTES
Regular Scheduled
Council Meeting
July 20, 2021, 6:30pm
South Congaree Town Hall
Council Chambers
119 West Berry Rd.
West Columbia, SC, 29172

Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Council Members Jim Drennan and Bobby Porter

Members Not in Attendance: Mayor Pro Tem Mabry and Councilmember Brian Jackson

Also in attendance: Municipal Clerk Sharon Williams, Chief of Police Josh Shumpert, Town Attorney John Rakowsky, Pastor of Litehouse Baptist Church Jeffrey Bradley, and Boy Scout Troop 343.

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 6:31 PM. A quorum was present. Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and invited Pastor Jeffrey Bradley to give invocation.

II. Approval of Minutes

Council, on motion of Councilman Drennan, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted unanimously to approve the minutes from January 26, 2021. The motion carried.

Councilman Porter made a motion to approve the minutes from April 20, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mayor Campbell. For the record, Councilman Drennan would like to remove "Mayor Campbell adjourned the meeting"; and instead have the minutes to read, "the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 PM." The motion carried.

Council, on the motion of Councilman Porter, seconded by Mayor Campbell, voted unanimously to approve the minutes from June 21, 2021. Councilman Drennan abstained from voting as he was not present for the meeting. The motion carried.

Council, on the motion of Councilman Drennan, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted unanimously to approve the minutes from July 6, 2021. The motion carried.

Council, on the motion of Councilman Drennan, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted unanimously to approve to minutes from July 13, 2021. The motion carried.

III. Reports

1. Ms. Debbie McIver updated Council that the Planning Commission will be moving to quarterly meetings, and they are currently waiting on Gregory Sprouse with COG for their next meeting date to discuss the Comprehensive Plan and the next steps needed. They hope to meet with Mr. Sprouse in September.

2. Police Report- Chief Shumpert provided an update to Council. The department issued approximately 110 citations in the last month. The Police Department partnered with Palmetto Pride to give away approximately 50 tarps to individuals to bring awareness to the Tarp Your Load campaign. The Chief informed Council that Major Jonas is currently driving the spare Durango because the Charger has been pulled from the fleet and is currently being stripped. Chief Shumpert advised that Worldwide Automotive has been shut down and cited for no business license. It was discovered that this business has had no business license in four years. In closing, Chief Shumpert advised Council that he has selected someone for the SRO position and will introduce the new employee at the August Council meeting.

IV. Executive Session:

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

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

Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements.

**Town Attorney
Part-Time Building Official
Courtroom Renovations**

Council on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 7:46 PM.

Upon returning to open session, action may be taken by Council regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.

Council reconvened at 7:47 PM in the public forum.

Council, on the motion of Councilman Porter, seconded by Councilman Drennan, voted unanimously, to retain John Rakowsky as the Town Attorney for (1) one year at the rate of \$2,000 per month, with the stipulation of his good health. The motion carried.

Council, on the motion of Councilman Porter, seconded by Councilman Drennan, voted unanimously, for Chris Netherton to maintain the title of Interim Building Official for 6 months, after that time it will be up for review. The pay will be \$1,000 per month, effective July 1, 2021, as a 1099 position. Mr. Netherton added that the month of July could be prorated as he has already been paid \$300 for inspections that he has completed for the Town.

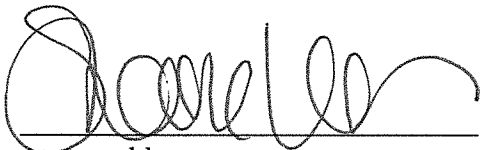
Council, on the motion of Councilman Porter, seconded by Councilman Drennan, voted unanimously, to receive a third bid for renovations for the courtroom and bathrooms. The motion carried.

XII. Citizens Comments


There were no public comments

XIII. Adjournment

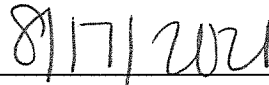
Council, on the motion of Mayor Campbell, seconded by Councilman Porter, voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM.



Attested by:
Sharon Williams,
Municipal Clerk



Approved by:
Cindy Campbell,
Mayor



Date Approved