



## MINUTES

Regular Meeting  
Town of South Congaree Council  
Tuesday, June 21, 2022 - 6:30 pm  
South Congaree Town Hall  
119 West Berry Rd.  
West Columbia, SC 29172

### Members in Attendance:

Mayor Cindy Campbell  
Councilmember Kitty Spires  
Councilmember Jim Drennan

Mayor Pro-Tem Mechelle Mabry  
Councilmember Brian Jackson

Staff: Town Attorney John Rakowsky      Municipal Clerk, Teresa Benjamin

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The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting, Friday, June 17, 2022.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Campbell called the Regular Town Council meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.  
A quorum was present.  
Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance  
Pastor Gerald Watford (Dunn's Chapel Church) gave the Invocation.

### Approval of Meeting Minutes:

**May 10, 2022 Council Work Session**  
A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Councilmember Spires  
Second: Councilmember Drennan

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	No
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Mayor Pro Tem Mabry sent an email requesting the recording of the May 10, 2022 Worksession. Mayor Campbell acknowledged the request and for the record, will forward the recording to her as soon as possible.

The motion passed 4 – Yes and 1- No.

**May 17, 2022 Council Special Called Meeting**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Councilmember Spires; Second: Mayor Campbell

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	No
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	No
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

Pro-tem Mabry and Councilmember Jackson recused themselves since they were not in attendance.

**May 17, 2022 Council Meeting**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Mayor Pro Tem Mabry Second: Councilmember Drennan

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	Yes
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

**May 23, 2022, Special Called Worksession**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Councilmember Drennan

Second: Councilmember Spires

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	Yes
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

**May 26, 2022, Special-Called/Worksession**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Councilmember Jackson

Second: Mayor Pro-Tem Mabry

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	Yes
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

**May 31, 2022, Special-Called/Worksession**

A motion to approve the meeting minutes: Councilmember Jackson

Second: Mayor Pro- Tem Mabry

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	Yes
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

**II. PRESENTATION**

**A. Adopt-A-Highway Award Recipient**

“Keep the Midlands Beautiful” selected The Town of South Congaree and PTL Allen Sharpe to receive the 2021 Lexington County Adopt-A-Highway Award of the Year.

Mayor Campbell asked all the participants who have assisted in the quarterly litter clean-ups to please stand and be recognized (Councilmembers included) for all the hard work in keeping our community clean. Everyone was thanked for their time and tireless efforts.

Ms. Ebonee Gadson, Executive Director for the “Keep the Midlands Beautiful,” presented PTL Allen Sharpe with the 2021 Lexington County Adopt-A-Highway Award of the Year Award. Ms. Gadson commended the efforts of South Congaree and the significant impact that demonstrates a great example of the difference that can be made when municipalities, community organizations, and citizens unite for a common goal. She stated the Town of South Congaree was selected from over 250 Adopt-A-Highway groups and Town is a positive role model. Team Up 2 Cleanup quarterly litter pick-ups and Officer Sharpe are helping to make the Town of South Congaree the best and cleanest community.

**III. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS**

**A. ORDINANCE 2022 -03: FIRST READING**

An Ordinance for the Town of South Congaree, South Carolina for the establishment of a Municipal Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023; and all other matters related thereto. Pursuant to South Carolina Code of Law Section 5 – 7- 260.

A motion to approve the Town of South Congaree for the establishment of a Municipal Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023: Councilmember Jackson

Second: Councilmember Drennan

Roll Call Vote –

Councilman Drennan	Yes
Councilman Jackson	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Mabry	Yes
Councilwoman Spires	Yes
Mayor Campbell	Yes

**IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- A. An update on the status of the South Congaree Championship Rodeo, scheduled for Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23, 2022. Mr. Rance Woodley planned a horse parade scheduled to take place on Saturday, July 23, 2022, beginning at 10 a.m. and council has been asked to participate.
- B. Public Safety – Mayor Campbell read aloud the statistical information provided by the Town of South Congaree Police Chief. Kid’s Camp went well with over 400 participants. Sergeant Walker is recuperating well after being involved in an accident while on duty. Chief Shumpert met with the new District 2 Director to discuss security measures for South Congaree Elementary School. The Town of South Congaree is looking for a certified/non-certified police officer. The Police Department received their FirstNet Air cards on June 21, 2022.
- C. Sewer Feasibility Study Report presented by Mr. Bobby Porter  
Mr. Bobby Porter presented information detailing the status of the feasibility study. He first gave an idea of what the commission is doing in Lexington County. The study looks at the future growth of Lexington and Batesburg Counties, because with an increase in population so does the capacity or need to keep the flow regulated. One of the largest water tanks is being constructed near the Lowe’s Food Store in Lexington. The Lexington High School Art Department is producing not only a logo, but they will be allowed to dress the water tank. Several housing projects are being developed; so, the pump station is challenged to keep up with the demand. Mr. Porter spoke with Craig Kirby about the feasibility study and that is looking to complete within the next month or so. His recommendations are that when that is complete; the study needs to examine thoroughly. Mr. Porter requested that council confirm the point of contact for this project with City of Cayce, JWS Commission and to American Engineers.

Councilmember Drennan asked about the funding, and Mr. Porter responded that there is a return on investment. Cayce will continue to be the provider going down Highway 302. The Town of South Congaree will need to make sure we have lease agreements in place to ensure the Town of South

Congaree receives the correct amount of funding. Several citizens asked questions and Mr. Porter addressed them as time allowed. Councilmember Spires stated the questions that were being asked would be better addressed at the completion of the study. Mr. Porter agreed. Councilmember Jackson added the concept is being designed for growth coming down Ramblin Road for those who would like to tap on, and Mr. Porter provided more details.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT(S)**

No comments were made.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Having heard all matters, Mayor Campbell made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.; Second: Councilmember Jackson. Motion Carried: Unanimously

Teresa K. Benjamin  
Attested by:

Cindy Campbell  
Approved by:  
Cindy Campbell, Mayor

8.16.2022  
Date Approved