

William C. Collins, Mayor

*Council Members:*

Terry Jenkins, Mayor Pro Tem  
Walter Bailey  
Aaron Brown  
Kima Garten-Schmidt  
Bob Jackson  
William McIntosh



*Clerk-Treasurer*

Lisa L. Wallace

*Town Attorney*  
G. Waring Parker

## **Town of Summerville**

### **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 10, 2015**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Bill Collins and Council members Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Kima Garten-Schmidt, Bob Jackson, Terry Jenkins and Bill McIntosh. Also present were Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services & Clerk-Treasurer, and G.W. Parker, Town Attorney. Members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting and were also present.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular monthly meeting of Summerville Town Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2015. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Brown, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PRESENTATION FROM SCDOT**

Joey Riddle of the S.C. Department of Transportation briefed Council on their plans for right-of-way improvements on S. Main Street to address some safety concerns at the 90 degree curve. He explained that there will be approximately 4 pine trees removed and underbrush cleared in addition to providing a drainage ditch to help remove water from the roadway. Mayor Collins thanked Mr. Riddle for the information.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Collins called for any comments from the public. Melvin McClellan of the Robynwyn subdivision reported that the garbage collection company seems to be taking their time, missing days, and not picking up all of the debris. He also reported that the ditch in his area has been dug out but that water stays in the ditch and does not drain and asked the town to look into it. Johnelle Whetsell, a former member of the Brownsville community and a current resident of 105 Winter Drive, reported that she has also seen garbage sitting out for an entire week and has had to wait for long periods of time for bulk pick up. She asked if it was a shortage of drivers or if they are just told to go home at a certain time before the job is done. She added that if the job is too big for Waste Pro then maybe the town should consider someone else. Donnie Gamble owns a veterinary practice on Trolley Road and supports a lot of charities in the area. He reported that a 501(c)3 organization out of Columbia is operating a mobile veterinary clinic that sets up all over the state but mostly in close proximity to veterinary clinics adding that 100% of the proceeds go to support the shelter in Columbia and does not provide any support for the shelters in this area. He asked both the town and the county to look into this but no one seems to know how to address the problem because there appear to be jurisdictional issues. Jen Ruzikio of

WastePro apologized to the homeowners for any issues with their garbage collection reporting that there have been a few glitches that needed to be worked out. She introduced Jeff Barnes as a member of the executive team who will be addressing some of the service issues that Summerville has been experiencing. Mr. Barnes added that WastePro is committed to making this work and has hired new drivers and additional supervisors in addition to some changes in the maintenance staff. Councilman Brown stated that he voted against renewing the contract with WastePro because of the problems he has been experiencing in his district. He also read an email from Paul Bailey concerning the litter and garbage problem and thanked people for speaking out on the issue. Mayor Collins reported that as soon as the problem in Mr. Bailey's letter was reported to the Public Works Department, it was cleaned up the same day.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2015 council meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the June 8, 2015 Finance Committee Report, the June 3, 2015 Public Works Committee Report and the June 3, 2015 Planning and Development Committee report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PETITIONS**

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to accept the petition and have first reading of an ordinance to annex TMS #144-16-02-008 located at 114 King Charles Circle to be zoned R2 - Single Family Residential. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to have second and final reading of an ordinance authorizing the transfer of properties located at 208 Cedar Street and 210 A & B W. Richardson Avenue (also known as the Finucan property) from the Town of Summerville to the Summerville Redevelopment Corporation. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance authorizing a quit-claim deed to Nancy Deitch for a portion of Briarwood Lane right-of-way. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS #s 130-10-00-027, 130-10-00-028, 130-10-00-087, 130-10-00-089, 130-14-00-019 and portions of 130-14-00-003 located at 500 Bryan Street to R2, - Single Family Residential. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to amend Section 16-5 of the Code of Laws of the Town of Summerville to clarify the definition of "Public Place". Mr. Bailey pointed out a couple of typographical errors and Ms. Wallace reported that they would be corrected prior to second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Mr. Bailey asked if SCDOT needs a motion or vote from council to do the roadway improvements on S. Main Street. Mr. Cornette indicated that there was no need for a formal vote or approval of the project.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Garten-Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to enter into executive session to discuss legal matters related to pending litigation and to receive legal advice on accommodation tax fund distributions. Council returned to public session at 8:35 p.m. and Mr. Parker announced that the accommodation tax fund distribution item was deferred until a later time and there was no action taken on the pending litigation.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m. on motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services  
Clerk and Treasurer

APPROVED:

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