

Wiley Johnson, Mayor

Council Members:

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



Town Administrator
Colin L. Martin

Town Clerk and Treasurer
Lisa L. Wallace

Town Attorney
G.W. Parker

Town of Summerville

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Wiley Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Bob Jackson and Council members Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Christine Czarnik, and Bill McIntosh. Kima Garten-Schmidt was absent. Town Administrator Colin Martin, Director of Administrative Services and Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Wallace, and Town Attorney G.W. Parker were also present. 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 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2016. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mayor Johnson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson called for any comments from the public. Fran Harbeson of 403 W. 2nd South Street spoke about possible alternatives for the property on which the proposed Dorchester Hotel is slated to be located. She suggested that council consider a public library for that property and asked that Council also consider using the former Gaither property for public parking. Nancyjean Nettles provided council with a copy of S.C. Wildlife magazine in which Sculpture in the South and the B.I.R.D.S. program was featured in a 4-page article. She thanked council for the grant funds that help fund these projects. Mike Dawson of Reynolds Road said he was proud to announce that Sculpture in the South has acquired the 17th Sculpture for the B.I.R.D.S. program explaining that the newest addition is a fish crow that will be placed on the sign at the West Side Station. He added that the sculpture is sponsored by Ken Battle in honor of Rollins Edwards. Adrian Kwist of Reynolds Road spoke about the importance of recycling and supports the increase in cost to continue the town's recycling program. Heyward Hutson of 215 Golf Road read a letter outlining some of the challenges of recycling. He reported that companies that were property permitted can burn plastics as fuel and asked council to work with the county and consider this option. There being no further comments from the public, the Mayor declared that portion of the meeting closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2016 council meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the June 1, 2016 Finance Committee Report, the June 1, 2016 Parks and Recreation Committee Report, the June 1, 2016 Planning and Development Committee Report, and the June 1, 2016 Public Works Committee Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

PETITIONS

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Ms. Czarnik to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to annex Dorchester Co. TMS # 130-00-00-002, (3.25 acres) located at 100 Four Paws Lane, owned by Dorchester Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals currently zoned R-4, Multi-Family Residential to be zoned B-3, General Business. The motion carried unanimously.

PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Wallace reported that there were no pending bills or resolutions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Section 2-92 of the Code of Laws of the Town of Summerville relating to the date and hour of regular council meetings. Mayor Johnson pointed out that this would change the regular council meeting date to the second Thursday of each month adding that the City of North Charleston also has their meetings on the second Thursday of the month. Mayor Johnson then called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 32, Section 32-176 (a) of the Code of Laws of the Town of Summerville relating to date of regular meetings of the Board of Architectural Review. Ms. Wallace reported that the meetings would change from the first Monday of the month to the first Tuesday of the month. Mayor Johnson called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to send the ordinance relating to temporary signs back to the Planning and Development Committee for further study. The motion carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to amend the standing committees schedule to Monday prior to the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. to begin August 8, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

There was some discussion about recycling services. Mayor Johnson suggested action be delayed on this issue until Ms. Garten-Schmidt could participate in the discussion adding that it was her ad hoc committee that was considering the recycling options. Mr. Brown said he likes the idea of individuals contracting directly with the contractor for additional services, similar to the arrangement in Berkeley County. Mr. Bailey suggested that before an agreement with WastePro is finalized, that it be brought back to Council for final approval. Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, that items 8 (b) through 8 (e) be tabled to give Ms. Garten-

Schmidt and her group time to rework their recommendations. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Johnson asked if there was any need to enter into executive session. Town Attorney, G.W. Parker, stated that there was no need for an executive session on the hotel project, the Applegate public-private partnership agreement or the Croft vs. Town of Summerville litigation but there is still a need to discuss contractual matters related to Old Fort. Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Czarnik, to enter into executive session to discuss contractual matters related to Old Fort Fire Department at 7:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Council returned to public session at 7:30 p.m. and announced that no action was taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative
Services and Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:

William W. Johnson, Mayor