

Mayor
Ricky Waring

Council Members:
Bob Jackson
Walter Bailey
Aaron Brown
Christine Czarnik
Kima Garten-Schmidt
William McIntosh



Town Administrator
Rebecca Vance

Town Clerk
Beth Messervy

Town Attorney
G.W. Parker

Town of Summerville

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 13, 2020

ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Ricky Waring, Councilmembers Kima Garten-Schmidt, Terry Jenkins, Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Bob Jackson and Bill McIntosh. A quorum was met. Several staff members were on the Zoom meeting. Public and press were duly notified. The meeting was held virtually and live streamed on the Town's web site.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Summerville Town Council was called to order at 6:10pm on Thursday, August 13, 2020 by Mayor Waring. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Councilmember Bob Jackson, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the combined minutes of the Town Council Meeting on July 9, 2020, the Standing Committee Meetings on July 9, 2020, the Special Called Meeting on July 16, 2020, and the Special Called Meeting on August 6, 2020. The motion carried unanimously, and the minutes were accepted into record.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Town Clerk Beth Messervy read two letters addressed to Mayor and Council, recognizing the positive actions of several departments.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items on the August 13, 2020 agenda only)

Public comments for the virtual meeting were accepted via email, and the public had a chance to call in their comments as well. Ms. Messervy read the public comments received via email. There were no call-in comments.

PETITIONS:

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to approve first reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS #144-04-13-013, located at 411 Golf Road, approximately .88 acres, and owned by Melissa and Clinton Avery from GR-2 General Residential, to N-R Neighborhood Residential. The motion carried unanimously.

PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to approve second and final reading of an ordinance to amend the Summerville Unified Development Ordinance, Chapter 5, Section 5.6.9, Alley; Chapter 10, Section 10.2.1A, Applicability, Section 10.4.2A, Monument signs, Section 10.7.2C Temporary Banners, Maximum Area; and Section 10.8, Signs that do not require a permit. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to postpone the second and final reading of the following ordinance until the September 10, 2020 Council meeting or to an earlier scheduled Special Called meeting:

- 1) Ordinance to annex Berkeley County TMS# 208-00-02-013 (approximately 973 acres) located off of the Nexton Parkway Interchange and Linda Way, currently zoned HI, Heavy Industrial, and Flex1, Agricultural, in Berkeley County and will be zoned PUD, Planned Development District, upon annexation into the Town of Summerville's municipal limits

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to postpone the second and final reading of the following ordinance until the September 10, 2020 Council meeting or to an earlier scheduled Special Called meeting:

- 1) To approve a Proposed Development Agreement for HIC LAND, LLC (Whitfield Tract) or its successor in title and authorizing the execution and delivery of a Development Agreement and other instruments including the implementation of a Planned Unit Development document relating thereto by and between the Town of Summerville and HIC LAND, LLC– Berkeley County TMS# 208-00-02-013 for a total of 973 acres.

The motion carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS: N/A

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Waring asked that Item 9a under Miscellaneous be removed from the agenda.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to enact an Emergency Ordinance to extend Ordinance #20-0703 regarding the requirements to wear face coverings. Some discussion followed. The motion carried 5-2, with Ms. Garten-Schmidt and Mr. McIntosh voting in opposition.

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to enact an Emergency Ordinance to extend Ordinance #20-0701 regarding the approval of electronic meetings for Council, committees, boards and commissions. Some discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to approve \$18,000 be distributed to the Summerville-Dorchester Museum as recommended by the 2020 State Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. Some discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to authorize the Town Attorney to draw up an agreement to extend the lease of the Saul Alexander playground to the Summerville Miracle League for five years. Some discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with Dorchester District 2 Schools and Dorchester County, along with any minor revision that the Town Attorney deems appropriate, for Phase I improvements to Memorial Stadium/McKissick Field. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT (OPEN)

Public comments for the virtual meeting were accepted via email, and the public had a chance to call in their comments as well. Ms. Messervy read the public comments received via email. There were no call-in comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, for Council to enter into Executive Session for the following:

- a. Contractual matter related to arrangement for downtown development services
- b. Contractual matter regarding lease with Summerville-Dorchester Museum
- c. Contractual matter regarding the condemnation of Tract 55, TMS #130-10-00-069 for the Maple Street project.
- d. Personnel matter regarding a wellness audit of the Summerville Police Department

The motion carried, and Council entered into Executive Session at 6:50pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council returned from Executive Session at 8:15pm. Town Attorney GW Parker reported that no action was taken on:

- a. Contractual matter related to arrangement for downtown development services
- b. Contractual matter regarding lease with Summerville-Dorchester Museum
- c. Contractual matter regarding the condemnation of Tract 55, TMS #130-10-00-069 for the Maple Street project.
- d. Personnel matter regarding a wellness audit of the Summerville Police Department

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to authorize the Town Attorney to file condemnation papers on Tract 55, TMS #130-10-00-069 for the Maple Street project. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:16pm on motion of Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Jenkins.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED:

Beth Messervy, Town Clerk

Ricky Waring, Mayor