

*Mayor*  
Ricky Waring

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



*Town Administrator*  
Colin L. Martin

*Town Clerk*  
Beth Messervy

*Town Attorney*  
G.W. Parker

## Town of Summerville

### COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2020

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Ricky Waring, Councilmembers Terry Jenkins, Kima Garten-Schmidt, Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Bob Jackson and Bill McIntosh. A quorum was present. Staff was also present. Public and press were duly notified and present.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular monthly meeting of Summerville Town Council was called to order at 6:00pm on Thursday, January 9, 2020 by Mayor Waring. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Councilmember Terry Jenkins, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Kelly Hazel with the Sweet Tea Half Marathon presented checks from the 2019 Sweet Tea Half Marathon to the Summerville Police and Fire Departments from their fundraising efforts.

Heather Johnson, Chair of the 2019 Beautification Committee, presented an update on what the committee had accomplished in 2019. She stated that she had been frustrated with the direction that Mayor Johnson had asked the committee to take, but that the committee had still accomplished a lot of their goals.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to accept the minutes of the Special Called Council Meeting on December 13, 2019. The motion carried unanimously, and the minutes were accepted into record.

#### **APPROVAL OF STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to accept the combined minutes of the January 6, 2020 meetings of the Parks and Recreation, Planning and Development, Public

Safety, Public Works, and Finance Committees. The motion carried unanimously, and the minutes were accepted into record.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Items on the 1/9/20 agenda)**

Town Administrator Colin Martin explained that a new process for public comment would begin at the February Council meeting, including a sign-in prior to the meeting with Mayor Waring calling individuals to the podium for their comments. He stated that there would also be a sheet of guidelines for public comment available to the public.

Mayor Waring called for any comments from the public regarding items on the January 9, 2020 agenda.

Steve Doniger, Executive Director of DREAM, presented a special Summerville sweet tea blend as well as specially commissioned art from DREAM to Council. He thanked Council for their support of DREAM.

**PETITIONS:** n/a

**PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to approve on second and final reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS# 145-02-11-003, located on E. Carolina Ave., approximately 4.65 acres, and owned by Dr. Thomas M. Leland from GR-2, Single-Family Residential, to N-B, Neighborhood Business (Council District 3). The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve on second and final reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS# 145-02-11-002, located at 208 E. Carolina Ave., approximately 0.61 acres, and owned by Margaret B. and Michael B. Murray from GR-2, Single-Family Residential, to N-B, Neighborhood Business (Council District 3). The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to approve on second and final reading of an ordinance to the Summerville Unified Development Ordinance, Chapter 2, Section 2.5, Mixed-Use District Standards. The motion carried unanimously.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve on second reading of an ordinance to amend the Summerville Unified Development Ordinance, Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, Neighborhood Mixed-Use (N-MX); Chapter 3, Section 3.3, Table of Permitted Uses, Section 3.4.5.A, Adult Establishment, and 3.6.1.B, Permitted Temporary Uses; Chapter 4, Section 4.3.1, Applicability; Chapter 8, Section 8.3.3.E.2, Other Preservation Areas; Chapter 13, Section 13.1.2, Conformity With Code, Section 13.3.1, General Provisions For All Boards And Commissions, Section 13.4.7.B, Vested Rights And Expiration Of Approvals, Section 13.6.2.B.3, Application Forms And Fees, Section 13.8.1.B, Certificate Of Appropriateness (Minor), Section 13.11.2.D, Planned Unit Development Districts; and Chapter 14, Section

14.1.2, Violations Generally, Section 14.3.2.B.3, Other Remedies And Penalties. The motion carried unanimously.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to ratify a resolution to maintain a low maintenance planted median on Dorchester Road between Old Trolley and Ladson Roads. The motion carried unanimously.

Town Engineer Russ Cornette presented Council with staff's recommendations for traffic calming measures for West Carolina Avenue. Staff recommended realigned intersections and narrowing the road from 12 feet to 10 feet. Some discussion followed. Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to implement staff's recommendations. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Waring made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to reappoint Liz Wiggins and Robert Pratt to the State Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to reappoint Rachel Burton, Tim Kennedy, and David Price to the Board of Architectural Review. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to appoint Charlie Stoudenmire to the Planning Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bailey made a motion, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to appoint Hart Weatherford to the Commercial Design Review Board. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. McIntosh stated that Mildred Blanton would continue to serve in holdover status on the Board until Council decided on a new appointment for her position.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to reappoint Don Nye and Lionel Lawson to the Board of Zoning Appeals. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to reappoint Virginia Boone to the Municipal Election Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ricky Waring made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to appoint Peter Wallace to the Tree Protection Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to appoint the following Council members to the Standing Committees of Council. The motion carried unanimously.

Parks and Recreation: Mr. Brown, Ms. Garten-Schmidt, and Mr. Jackson

Planning and Development: Mr. McIntosh, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Jenkins

Public Safety: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Jenkins

Public Works: Mr. Bailey, Ms. Garten-Schmidt, and Mr. McIntosh

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to appoint Bill McIntosh as Mayor Pro Tem for a term of 2 years. The motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (open)**

Linda Whetsell of Atlantic Street stated her concern that the ditches on Atlantic Street are not being cleaned out after being cleaned up with a weed eater, and that this is causing clogging and flooding on her street. Mayor Waring asked staff to look into the problem.

Joel Aaronson of the Nexton Del Webb community stated that his community is still concerned with the plans by Hoyer Investment Group to annex the 973 acres near their community.

Peter Wallace of West Carolina Avenue presented a petition regarding the section of West Carolina from Central Avenue to West Richardson Avenue. The petition was to add stop signs on West Carolina Avenue at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. The petition was presented to the Mayor.

Charlie Stoudenmire stated that the stop signs at Marion Avenue are the best thing that could've happened for traffic on West Carolina Avenue. He was unaware of the traffic study being done on West Carolina.

Bessie Wilson of Parkwood Drive stated her concern at the growth of azaleas coming out of her church on Simmons at Shepard. She also voiced her concern at the overgrowth of plants on Simmons at Parkwood Drive. Staff was advised to look into the situations.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to enter into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter related to the condemnation and potential purchase of the Woodlands Village, LLC property and a contractual matter related to the 1.18 acres immediately adjacent to the Town-owned property in Oakbrook near Bend on the Ashley. The motion carried unanimously, and Council entered into Executive Session at 6:57pm.

Council reconvened in Chambers at 8:06pm. Town Attorney GW Parker explained that Council met in Executive Session to discuss a legal matter related to the condemnation and potential purchase of the Woodlands Village, LLC property and a contractual matter related to the 1.18 acres immediately adjacent to the Town-owned property in Oakbrook near Bend on the Ashley. He stated that no action was taken on either item.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to authorize the Town Attorney to negotiate the purchase of the Woodlands Village, LLC property for an amount not to exceed \$6.5 million. The motion carried unanimously.


Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to authorize the Town Attorney to negotiate the purchase of the 1.18 acres immediately adjacent to the Town-owned property in Oakbrook near Bend on the Ashley for an amount not to exceed \$225,00. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:09pm, on motion of Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Jackson.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED:

  
Beth Messervy, Town Clerk

  
Ricky Waring, Mayor