

Town of McCormick, SC
Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 10, 2012

Attendance:

Members Present:

Mayor: Roy Smith, Jr.

Council Members: Dolly P. Franklin
James C. (Calvin) Chiles
Eric T. Butler
Jesse E. (JE) Johnson
Ann Seymour

Staff Present:

Major W.D. Willis
Fire Chief Mike Barron
Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKinney
Administrator David Krumwiede
Attorney John D. Compton, III

Media Present:

None Present

Visitors:

Anne Barron, Chamber Representing Gold
Rush, Ann Stiles, and Dot Bandy

The regular, monthly meeting of the McCormick Town Council for **July 10, 2012**, was held at the McCormick One Stop's Conference Room, 109 W. Augusta Street, Town of McCormick, SC at 7:00 PM. News Media had been notified of the meeting by e-mail on August 8 and 9, 2012. All other parties requesting notification had received notice either by fax, e-mail or correspondence on August 8 and 9, 2012. Agenda Packages were delivered to Council Members on August 8 and 9, 2012. Public notice posting was to the Town's Kiosk outside of the Town Hall area on August 9, 2012.

1. Welcome/Call to Order

Mayor Smith welcomed all present to the regular, monthly meeting of the McCormick Town Council, at approximately 7:05 pm.

Mayor Smith stated that it was customary, prior to the meeting, that a business be picked as business of the month. He asked Attorney Compton to do the drawing, and Attorney Compton drew 7 Daffodils as business pick of the month for August. Mayor Smith asked that they be sent a Certificate of Appreciation for having their business in Town.

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2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Smith asked everyone present to stand and offer the Pledge of Allegiance. All in attendance did so in a humble, patriotic manner.

3. Invocation

Mayor Smith called upon Council Member Mr. Johnson to give the Invocation. Council Member Johnson did so giving thanks for the gathering, and for all assembled, that the business of the town be taken care of in right manner, and everything done be pleasant in sight.

4. Approval of Agenda as Written

Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve the Agenda as written. Council Member Mr. Chiles made the motion, duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Johnson with the motion being unanimously approved.

5. General Public Comments

Mayor Smith opened the General Public Comments section of the meeting at approximately 7:03 pm and called for any public comments. None were offered.

Mayor Smith stated that Mr. Long was present, he having recently resigned as Council Member from District 2. Mayor Smith called Mr. Long forward and presented him a plaque for his nine years of loyal and dedicated service as Council Member, District 2, for the Town of McCormick. Mr. Long offered his heartfelt thanks for the appreciation and wished all well.

6. Regular Town Council Business Items:

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Minutes** of the regular meeting of Council for June 12, and called for action regarding same. Council Member Mrs. Seymour made a motion to approve the Minutes as written, motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Butler and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Bills** for June, along with a copy of the Receivables report and called for any questions. Council Member Mrs. Seymour made a motion for the Bills to be paid in the usual manner, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Financial Statement** for June and called for action regarding same. Council Member Mrs. Seymour made a motion that the Financial Statement be received as information and recorded as part of the Minutes, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Johnson, and unanimously approved.

7. Legislation

Under Legislation, Mayor Smith stated that Council had received copies of an Ordinance to Repeal the Town's Ordinance 88-05 and a Resolution to Amend the Town's Resolution adopting the Model Handbook for employees. He stated that both of these documents needed second reading and adoption of Council.

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Mayor Smith stated that this would change the payment of wages method from bi-weekly to bi-monthly.

Discussion was had as to previous pay method and Attorney Compton stated that this would bring the Town in line with the State's method for payment of wages, the first and 16th of the month.

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion to give second reading and adoption to repeal the Town's Ordinance 88-05, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Seymour, with said motion being unanimously approved.

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion to amend by Resolution the Town's Model Handbook to reflect payment of wages as Bi-monthly, Monthly, and Bi-annually, as noted in said Resolution, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Johnson, with said motion being unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith reported that two Proclamations had also been issued, copies being in the Council's agenda packages:

- Proclamation for Mrs. Essie T. Banks, who celebrated her 100 birthday
- Proclamation for W.S. Mims Foundation, they recently having a parade downtown and their annual reunion.

8. Reports

Moving to Reports, Mayor Smith called upon Police Chief Jones to give the Police Department Report.

Chief Jones reported activity for the month of June as follows:

Traffic Collisions 3; Traffic Offenses 15; Arrests 25; Offenses Over-all (Incident Reports filed) 24, and Calls for Service 475.

Chief Jones reported that he had one officer to retire on June 29, 2012 for service and that a police officer's position would be advertised in the paper. He stated that a future event, "Back to School Bash – National Night Out" would be held on August 30, and the committee was in the process of putting together the details for that event.

Mayor Smith thanked Chief Jones, and in the absence of Fire Chief Mike Barron, stated he would give the Fire Report.

Chief Barron's report showed the following activity for the McCormick Fire Department for June: City calls: 6 – False Alarm 1; Auto 1; Mutual Aid 2; and Miscellaneous 2; County calls: 5 – Auto 2; Structure 3. Total Calls – 11; with firefighter response being 4. Total calls for service in June being 11.

Under Notes, Chief Barron had reported the Community Fire Meeting. Mayor Smith stated that this was held during the Fort Gordon Band concert in the Park and was probably the factor for the low attendance at the Fire meeting.

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Mayor Smith thanked Chief Barron and called for the Clerk/Treasurer's Report.

Mrs. McKinney reported as follows:

Purchase of property, goods and services: 20% local, 20% out of town, 14% for personal services and 46% for contracted services. She reported two staff meetings held during the month, as well as a safety meeting. The Town's Insurance Assessment Review had been done on June 7 with Administrator Krumwiede and Meredith Kaiser with the Municipal Association. Reporting on the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer's report, Mrs. McKinney gave the following information:

Business Licenses: new: 6; renewals 3; 2 new businesses in town and 4 contractors; the two new businesses being DT Computers and Barlow Bar Ice Cream Truck

Building Permit Coordinations: 12 for repairs and one for demolition

Zoning Issues: two for usage questions

Background Checks: employment: 9; apartment: 7; and other; 1 for a total of 17

Visitor's Log: 139 total visitors; 72 for Town Hall; 65 for Police Department; and 2 for the Fire Department

Meetings Attended: Chamber Business Breakfast on June 5.

Mayor Smith called upon Attorney Compton, asking if he had anything else he wished to report to Council. Attorney Compton stated that he had nothing further to report.

Administrator Krumwiede stated that he had attended the Memorial Day Service and the Thunder Over Thurmond event. He stated that the attendance for the event was off somewhat and that there had been one fatality that day during the event.

Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve all reports as given. Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion, motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

9. Old Business

Under Old Business, Mayor Smith stated that Council Members needed to sign off on the Town's FY 12/13 Budget Ordinance and called upon Mrs. McKinney to obtain the needed signatures.

10. New Business

Under New Business, Mayor Smith stated that Council had received a copy of the grant award for a CDBG grant for waterline improvements which would be a pass through to the CPW. He stated the improvements were in the Augusta Street Extension area and was in the amount of \$174,909. Mayor Smith asked that the Clerk obtain the required signatures for this grant award. In conjunction with the grant award, a Resolution allowing the CPW to serve as sub recipient for the grant was reviewed and adopted by motion of Council Member Mr. Chiles, motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved.

11. Information Items

Mayor Smith stated no items were listed. He stated that there was a guest present and asked the young lady to introduce herself.

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Cassie Cope, intern with The Index-Journal stated that she was from Lugoff and was attending USC. She stated that she was interning with The Index and would be there another three or so weeks.

Mayor Smith called for any other items to come before Council. Town Clerk/Treasurer Mrs. McKinney stated that she did have a personnel form that each Council Member and the Mayor needed to sign. Signatures were obtained for these forms.

12. Adjournment

Mayor Smith, offering the motion for adjournment, accepted the second of Council Member Mr. Chiles, and Council's unanimous approval.

Council adjourned at approximately 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra McKinney
Clerk/Treasurer

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