

Town of McCormick, SC
Regular Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 – 7:00 PM
McCormick One Stop Conference Room, 109 W. Augusta St., McCormick, SC

Attendance:

Mayor: Roy Smith, Jr.

Council Members Present: Dolly Franklin
J. Calvin Chiles
Eric T. Butler

Council Members Absent: Nathan Jones
Alvin Jennings
Ann Seymour

Staff Present: Police Chief W.D. Bo Willis
Fire Chief Mike Barron
Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKinney

Town Attorney: John D. Compton, III

Guests: Chuck Cook, Corporate Secretary &
Liaison, Public Affairs Committee –
Savannah Lakes Village, Inc.
Kathy Stokes
Charlotte Tallent, Chamber of Commerce
Dr. John Compton

News Media: Rodney Creswell, McCormick Messenger

Appearance of Citizens: **No Written Requests**

Public Notification:

January 5, 2018 - News Media notified of the meeting by e-mail
January 5, 2018 - Posting Public Notice to the Town's website, townofmccormicksc.org.
January 5, 2018 - All other parties requesting notification either by fax, e-mail or
correspondence
January 5, 2018 - Agenda Packages delivered to Town Council Members
January 5, 2018 - Public Notice posting - Town's Kiosk outside of the Town Hall area

Prior to the Call to Order, Mayor Smith announced that several council members would not be present: Council Member Mrs. Seymour, being under the weather, Council Member Mr. Jones being out of Town, and Council Member Mr. Jennings.

Mayor Smith stated he wished to express “Happy New Year” to all present. He then called for a moment of silent prayer for the family lost in the tragic fire on January 8.

1. Call to Order:

At approximately 7:03 pm, Mayor Smith called to order the McCormick Town Council’s regularly scheduled meeting for January 9, 2018.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Smith asked all present to stand and offer the Pledge of Allegiance; all did so in a patriotic manner.

3. Invocation:

Mayor Smith called for Council Member Mr. Butler to offer the invocation; Council Member Mr. Butler did so, being thankful for the day and the New Year, asking for thoughts of bereavement for the family lost in the fire, that Council be thankful in their attitudes and duties, and for orchestration of the meeting.

4. Approval of Agenda as Written:

Mayor Smith called for any discussion regarding the Approval of Agenda as Written, and receiving none, called for a motion; Council Member Mr. Chiles offered the motion to approve the agenda as written, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved.

5. Appearance of Citizens:

Mayor Smith stated that no written requests had been received for appearance of citizens and no requests or comments were offered from those present.

6. Regular Town Council Business Items:

Mayor Smith stated Council had received copies of the regular Town Council Business items, Minutes of the regular meeting of Council for December 12 meeting, a copy of the Bills for December, and the monthly Financial Statement for December, all for review prior to the meeting, and called for any discussion or action regarding the regular Town Council business items as presented.

No discussion being offered, Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion that the Minutes be approved as written, that the Bills be paid in the usual manner, and that the Financial Statement be received as information; said motion was duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved.

7. Legislation:

Mayor Smith stated under **Legislation**, Council had received for review, prior to the meeting, two Ordinances – the first Ordinance - **O-2018-01-09-01**, Comprehensive Plan – Implement Review Process & Agreement with Upper Savannah COG to facilitate – introduction/first reading; and the second Ordinance – **O-2018-01-09-02** – FY 17/18 Budget Amendment for Streetscape Project costs – introduction/first reading.

Calling for discussion, questions or comments, and receiving none, Mayor Smith called for motions regarding the two ordinances.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to give first reading to Ordinance O-2018-01-09-01, Comprehensive Plan review, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to give first reading to Ordinance O-2018-01-09-02, Streetscape Projects costs, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Butler, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated Council had received one **Resolutions** for Council action, R-2018-01-09-01 – 2018 Safety Policy Statement and Management Letter. Mayor Smith stated that this was required as a part of the Town's insurance programs through the Municipal Association with the Town receiving a discount in premiums costs.

Calling for any discussion, questions or comments, and receiving none, Mayor Smith called for a motion.

Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Resolution, adopting the 2018 Safety Policy Statement & Management Letter, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Butler, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated no **Proclamations** had been issued.

8. Reports:

Mayor Smith stated Council had received copies of the Departmental Reports – Police, Fire, Town Clerk/Treasurer, and Deputy Town Clerk/Treasurer for November - prior to the meeting for review.

Mayor Smith called for questions regarding the Police Department report and no questions were offered.

Mayor Smith called for questions regarding the Fire Department report.

Council Member Mr. Chiles asked for a point of correction in the number of calls from 12 to 13.

Continuing with Reports, Mayor Smith asked if Council had questions regarding the Town Clerk/Treasurer and Deputy Town Clerk/Treasurers reports as presented.

No further questions, comments, or discussion being offered, Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to approve all reports, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved

9. Old Business:

Mayor Smith stated no items were listed under Old Business.

10. New Business:

Mayor Smith stated several items were listed under New Business.

A-Annual Donation Consideration for Relay for Life to be given for 2018; Mayor Smith stated that in the past years the amount of \$750.00 had been given to this worthy cause, and asked what the pleasure was of Council regarding.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to give the \$750.00 donation to the Relay for Life, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

B-Filing of 2018 Statements of Economic Interest (must be done by elected officials online and due by noon, March 30, 2018); Mayor Smith stated that the penalty for non-or late filing was \$100 a day.

C-Employment/Required Forms for 2018 (for information – to be returned to clerk/Treasurer by February 1. Mayor Smith asked the Clerk/Treasurer to comment.

Mrs. McKinney stated that this was a yearly requirement and had to do with the number of withholding allowances claimed for taxes.

D-Report on Contracts – Mayor Smith stated that there were two contracts that needed renewing, the Grounds Maintenance Contract and the Audit Contract, and called for any questions or comments regarding the report, and receiving none, he called for a motion to authorize him to proceed with the renewals.

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion to allow the Mayor to proceed with the renewals of the two contracts, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated he had two events to report – the MLK Program on January 14, at 3 PM at the Middle School, and the Annual Chamber Dinner/Meeting to be held on January 25, at 6 PM, at the Talmadge Center. He stated that another MLK Program would be held at the Mims Center on January 15, at 3 PM. He asked Mrs. Tallent, Chamber Director who the speaker was to be for the Annual Chamber Dinner/Meeting.

Mrs. Tallent stated that the speaker would be Scott Hyatt from the Corps of Engineers.

11. Adjournment

Calling for any other business to come before Council and receiving none, Mayor Smith called for adjournment.

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion to adjourn, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles and unanimously approved.

Council adjourned at approximately 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra McKinney
Town Clerk/Treasurer

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