

**Town of McCormick, SC  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Tuesday, January 13, 2015**

**McCormick One Stop Conference Room, 109 W. Augusta St., McCormick, SC**

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**Attendance:**

**Mayor:** Roy Smith, Jr.

**Council Members:** Dolly Franklin  
Nathan Jones  
Calvin Chiles  
Eric T. Butler  
Alvin Jennings

**Council Members Absent:** Ann Seymour

**Staff Present:** Police Chief J.R. Jones  
Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKinney  
Attorney John D. Compton, III (in attendance; had to leave due to illness)

**Media Present:** **None**

**Other Guests:** Charles Jennings, Chair, McCormick County Council  
Donn & Christine Lee  
Royce Grizzard  
Janice Grizzard, Heather McNally & Bob Berry – MACK  
Detrick Williams, Candidate for Fire Department  
Britt Smith, All Terrain Landscaping

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**Mayor's Welcome & Comments:**

Mayor Smith welcomed everyone present to the McCormick Town Council Meeting for the month of January. Mayor Smith stated the joint meeting with McCormick County Council had been canceled and would be re-scheduled for February. He apologized to County Chair, Mr. Jennings for having to cancel. He stated it was customary, prior to the meeting, to pick a business of the month. Mayor Smith asked Council Member Mr. Jones to make the selection. Council Member Mr. Jones selected "**J & N Jewelry**" as business pick for the month of January. Mayor Smith asked the Clerk/Treasurer to send a Certificate of Appreciation to them.

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**Public Notification:**

News Media had been notified of the meeting by e-mail and fax on January 7 & 9, 2015. All other parties requesting notification had received notice either by fax, e-mail or correspondence on January 7, 2015. Agenda Packages were delivered to Council Members on January 9, 2015. Public notice posting was to the Town's Kiosk outside of the Town Hall

area on January 9, 2015.

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### **1. Call to Order**

Mayor Smith called to order, at approximately 7:01 pm, the McCormick Town Council's regularly scheduled meeting for January 13, 2015.

### **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 upon Council Member Mr. Butler to offer the invocation; Council Member Mr. Butler did so, giving thanks for a great day, for all present, and asking for good direction and guidance of the meeting, and that it be to His pleasure.

### **4. Approval of Agenda as Written**

Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve the agenda as written; Council Member Mr. Butler offered the motion, said motion duly seconded by Council Members Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

### **For Presentation:**

Mayor Smith stated that two presentations were to be made, first to the MACK for its 30<sup>th</sup> year celebration and for all the events, programs and activities that the MACK held for the community. Accepting a plaque of appreciation were Janice Grizzard, Director, Heather McNally, Program Director, and Bob Berry, Chairman of the MACK Board.

The second presentation was made to Royce Grizzard, a former employee of the Town, having served for five years, in a maintenance and other positions for the Town. Mayor Smith presented Mr. Grizzard a plaque for his years of dedicated service and for going beyond what his job called for by way of being known as Santa Claus, and as a symbol for the Town.

### **For Oath of Office:**

Mayor Smith stated that Christine Lee had been appointed to the Town's Election Commission in December and asked that Council consider the appointment of her husband, Donn Lee to the Election Commission.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to appoint Donn Lee as a member of the Town's Election Commission, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith then offered the Oath of Office to both, Christine Lee and Donn Lee, as members of the McCormick Town Election Commission.

### **5. General Public Comments**

Mayor Smith opened the Public Comments Section of the meeting at approximately 7:11 pm and called for any comments. No further comments were presented. Mayor Smith closed the public comments section of the meeting at approximately 7:11 pm.

## **6. Regular Town Council Business Items:**

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Minutes** of the regular meeting of Council for December 9, 2014 and called for action regarding the Minutes as presented.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to approve the Minutes as written, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Bills** for December, along with a copy of the Receivables Report and called for any questions. Receiving none, Mayor Smith called for a motion to pay the bills in the usual manner.

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion, duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated Council had received a copy of the **Financial Statement** for December and called for action regarding same.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion that the Financial Statement be received as information, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

## **7. Legislation**

Mayor Smith stated there were no items under Ordinances and Resolutions, with Council receiving two Resolutions, and a copy of the Proclamation for William "Bill" Bruce, Fireman, deceased.

Mayor Smith called upon Town Clerk/Treasurer to report on Resolution 2015-01-01- Resolution Consideration of and Authorizing Mayor Smith to sign contract renewal for Grounds Maintenance Services with All Terrain Landscaping-Britt Smith; Mrs. McKinney stated that contracts of the Town were to be approved by Resolution, Mayor Smith having worked with Mr. Smith to negotiate a renewal of the contract.

Mayor Smith asked if Mr. Smith, who was in attendance, if he would like to address Council. Mr. Smith thanked council for their continued support after his nine years of service to the Town and stated he appreciated working with everyone at the Town.

Mayor Smith called for a motion regarding Resolution 2015-01-01. Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-01-01, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Butler, and unanimously approved.

Moving to Resolution 2015-01-02, Mayor Smith called upon the Clerk/Treasurer to also address Council. Mrs. McKinney stated, as a part of the Town's insurance carriers, SCMIT and SCMIRF, the Town was required to have in place a Safety Program, with a committee in place which consisted of the Mayor, the Administrator, the Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and Town Clerk/Treasurer. She stated that quarterly meetings were required to address safety issues, building inspections, and other aspects of a safety program.

Mayor Smith called for a motion regarding Resolution 2015-01-02. Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-01-02, said motion being duly seconded by

Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

For the Proclamation for William "Bill" Bruce, Council having received a copy of same, Mayor Smith stated with the absence of the Fire Chief, this would be held for a later date.

Mayor Smith then moved to Reports.

## **8. Reports**

Mayor Smith called upon Police Chief J.R. Jones to give the **Police** Department Report for the month of December. Chief Jones stated he would give both the monthly report as well as the yearly report.

Chief Jones reported activity as follows:

Collisions Investigated 6 for the month of December; yearly 52

Traffic Offenses 10 for the month of December; yearly 111

Arrests 5 for the month of December; 108 yearly

Overall Offenses (Incident Reports filed) 19 for the month of December; 279 yearly

Calls for Service 462 for the month of December; 5,208 yearly.

Chief Jones reported a safe year, with no major incidents. He stated that he had one officer out due to health issues, and had one officer who had an injury back in October. He stated the officer out on health related issues should be back by the end of January.

Mayor Smith thanked Chief Jones for his report and stated that Chief Barron had to be out of Town and would defer his Report to the next meeting.

Mayor Smith stated that Detrick Williams, Candidate for Volunteer Fireman was present, and asked if he would like to address Council.

Mr. Williams stated he was a Plum Branch native, having moved back to the area. He stated he knew Mr. Jennings well, and possibly had gone to School with Council Member Mr. Butler. He stated that he had served in various positions, including being a coach. He stated he had worked with the Department of Corrections in Trenton, Columbia, and now McCormick in a mental health position.

Mayor Smith then called for the **Clerk/Treasurer's and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer's** report.

Mrs. McKinney reported as follows:

Purchases of goods and services: 7% local; 36% out of town, due to purchases for equipment for the new patrol unit, 7% for personal services, contracted services at 29%, and equipment purchases at 21%.

Continuing/Upcoming Events listed included

Report on Contracts due in January

Various reports including MASC, OSHA, Inspections, 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Payroll, 1099M's, and Annual and Sick Leave – in January

Filings: SOVA Agreement with DJJ

Publications: Christmas and New Year's Ads in the Messenger

Meetings: Staff Meetings for December 8, 15 and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. McKinney reported as follows for the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer's report:

Business licenses: new – 2; for contractors

Building Permit Coordination: 2-new; additions to existing; and 3-for repairs

Zoning Issues: None

Background Checks: 4-Apartment and 3 Employment

Visitor's Log: Town Hall - 65; Police Department - 53; Fire Department – 1; for a total of 119, plus 100 children from the McCormick Elementary School who visited the Police and Fire Departments during Christmas.

Meetings Attended: Fire Meeting – December 9.

Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve all reports as given.

Council Member Mr. Butler made a motion to approve all reports as given, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

### **9. Old Business**

Mayor Smith stated there were no items listed as Old Business and called for any to come before Council.

No old business being offered, Mayor Smith moved to New Business.

### **10. New Business**

Mayor Smith stated under New Business, Council had received a copy of the Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report on Contracts for 2015.

Mayor Smith stated it was also time for Council to file their annual Statements of Economic Interests and this had to be done by March 30, 2015. He stated that a penalty for none filing of \$100 a day would be assessed for non/late filing until the report was filed. He urged Council Members to go ahead and file their reports.

### **Mayor's Comments:**

Mayor Smith stated he wanted to wish everyone a Happy New Year. He stated two events would be happening, the MLK Celebration Program on January 18 at the Middle School and the Annual Prayer's Breakfast on January 31.

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

### **12. Adjournment**

Council Member Mr. Butler made the motion to adjourn, with Council Member Mr. Jones giving second. Council unanimously agreed to adjourn at approximately 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sandra McKinney  
Clerk/Treasurer

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