



TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

Minutes

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Monday, 24 July 2017

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

This meeting's notice was published in the Post and Courier newspaper.

I. Call to Order

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Heyward at 6:30 PM.

II. Roll Call

In attendance were Councilmembers Salters, Sausser, Scott, Townsend, Attorney Austen, Planner/Zoning Administrator Holton and Clerk-Treasurer White. Councilmember Smalls, Sr., was absent. Councilmember Dunmyer, III, arrived after roll call.

III. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was given by Councilmember Sausser followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Adoption of Agenda

Mayor Heyward added Code Enforcement Officer under Committee Reports, Resolution 3-2017-18, the Appointment of Trey Willis to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Ordinance 2017-18-2, Change of Town Boundaries under New Business. Councilmember Sausser made the motion to adopt the agenda with the additions; Councilmember Scott seconded and all voted in favor.

V. Public Comments

Willie Townsend, stated that she was representing the citizens from the Town's Senior Center and that they would like to petition for another day during the week for the Center to be open. She said that currently the Center is open on Mondays and Wednesdays. The Center is a gateway for the seniors to communicate with others and to have something to do. She said that the Center has been wonderful for her mother.

Richard Hettler, Poplar Grove, stated that he filed a FOIA request with the Town of Hollywood on July 10. There are 20 days in which to respond. He also filed a FOIA request with Charleston County on the same date and they responded within 2 days. He requested information about the roads, sidewalks and the curbing that was done in the Poplar Grove subdivision. Charleston County responded that they had not permitted this and the information would have had to be requested by the Town's engineer. Mr. Hettler said he has pictures of what the roads look like and they are only 2-3 years old. The Fire Chief visited the area but did not think the roads were narrow and suggested parking on a wider street and driving the hose to the hydrants. Mr. Hettler mentioned the shortage of volunteers at the Fire Department and said that he did not think that this was going to happen. He asked about the turnarounds and said the Chief did not want to discuss this issue. Later the Fire Chief brought up Capensis Lane, a dead end street, and suggested making a u-shaped road which would take care of this. Mr. Hettler mentioned that you will not find any developments that have dead end streets and it is against the code and needs to be corrected. He feels that one person

shouldn't be able to bypass the codes and regulations. He mentioned a case in Mount Pleasant where townhouses did not meet the zoning restrictions. The Town filed a stop work order and the townhouses had to be modified. On the plat it states that when development of land begins, it will be to the codes and regulations of the Town, County and Federal and this has not been done. This is his fifth time coming to these meetings and nothing has been done and he has spent a lot of money on his home.

Barb Hettler, Poplar Grove, stated that in the last meeting, a resident said that he represented the home owners of Poplar Grove but he was actually appointed by the developer. She shared pictures with Council about the construction and quality of work being done and pointed out several issues and violations.

Mayor Heyward stated these issues will not be resolved at a Council meeting and that the best way to handle the situation is to have a discussion with those involved. It was acknowledged at last month's meeting that there was a safety issue and the Fire Chief was asked to go out and make an assessment. She stated that the Town, along with our legal counsel could possibly pull together a team which would include Charleston County and the Developer to discuss the issues.

VI. Minutes

Councilmember Dunmyer, III made the motion to accept the Public Hearing minutes of June 26, 2017 as prepared; Councilmember Sausser seconded and all voted in favor.

Councilmember Dunmyer, III made the motion to accept the Regular Council minutes of June 26, 2017 as prepared; Councilmember Sausser seconded and all voted in favor.

VII. Committee Reports

Finance: Councilmember Sausser made the motion to accept the Finance Report as information; Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded and all voted in favor.

Planning/Zoning: Planner/Zoning Administrator Holton briefly explained the cases heard before the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission and answered questions from Council. He also addressed the "tiny homes" issue and noted that Council may want to look at creating an ordinance. Councilmember Sausser made the motion to accept the Planner's Report as information; Councilmember Townsend seconded and all voted in favor.

Code Enforcement: Lester Tumbleston shared the Code Enforcement priority listing of violations for the manual he is currently working on. He encouraged Council to share any ideas they may have or want to have added to the manual. Councilmember Dunmyer, III suggested having the Town's Attorney review the manual before sending it out and that Council update the ordinances to support the code violations.

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. New Business

Swearing in of Elected Officials- Councilmembers Annette Sausser and Herbert Townsend were both sworn in by Mayor Heyward.

1st Reading of Ordinance 2017-18-1, Amend Town Code Section 58-107 Rural Conservation District, Councilmember Sausser made the motion to approve; Councilmember Salters seconded. Councilmember Dunmyer, III asked Planner/Zoning Administrator Holton if he would explain the ordinance. Mr. Holton stated that the ordinance is a sister ordinance to the Town Boundary ordinance that was passed last month. The noted change is in the minimum lot area where it states that the RC (Rural Conservation) district applies to parcels 10-acres and greater. Smaller parcels will be zoned RA (Rural Agriculture). Councilmembers Dunmyer, III, Salters, Sausser, Scott, and Mayor Heyward voted yes. Councilmember Townsend voted no. The motion passed 1st reading.

1st Reading of Ordinance 2017-18-2, Adjust boundary lines between the Town of Hollywood and the Town of Meggett as it pertains to property designated as TMS #126-00-00-064, 192-00-00-006, 192-00-00-010, 192-00-00-025, 193-00-00-027, 193-00-00-122 and 164-00-00-238, Councilmember Sausser made the motion to bring ordinance to the table for discussion; Councilmember Salters seconded. Attorney Austen explained that the ordinance is the land swap between the Town of Meggett and the Town of Hollywood where the Town of Meggett wants the school to be annexed into their Town and Hollywood wanted the 263-acre park annexed into ours. In order for this to be done, there are several properties that have to be contiguous. There are two tracts that the Town of Meggett wants to annex that are not a part of this that may be an issue. The ordinance may have to be tabled until next month's meeting so that amendments can be made. The Town of Meggett made the request to have this done before August 1st. At that time they will be eligible for FEMA funds that they would like to give to the school. Councilmember Sausser made the motion to table; Councilmember Scott seconded and all voted in favor to table.

Resolution 1-2017-18, Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem, Councilmember Townsend nominated Councilmember Scott for Mayor Pro Tem; all voted in favor.

Resolution 2-2017-2018, Appointment of Rhonda Heyward to Planning Commission, Councilmember Sausser made the motion to approve; Councilmember Scott seconded and all voted in favor.

Resolution 3-2017-2018, Appointment of Trey Willis to the Board of Zoning Appeals, Councilmember Sausser made the motion to approve; Councilmember Scott seconded and all voted in favor.

X. Mayor's Update

Mayor Heyward announced that staff is currently working on the Town's newsletter and the target date for distribution is August 1st. The newsletter will include information on current events in the Town. Although many citizens and organizations have made donations, supplies are still needed for the Back to School Festival that will be held August 12, 2017 at R.D. Schroder Community Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fetter Health Care, WIC and Begin with Books are some of the businesses that will be present. Free haircuts will be provided and volunteers are still needed for the event. She mentioned that an invitation has been extended to local pastors and spiritual leaders and on Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 11 a.m. at Wide Awake Park, the "Vision for the Town of Hollywood" brunch will take place to exchange ideas for the community. She added that she and Council attended the Municipal Association conference in Hilton Head where valuable information was learned and she was elected to the Board of Directors for the Municipal Association of South Carolina and will serve a three year term. She encouraged all to bring forth ideas that she can share with the Board. It is the umbrella for all of the municipalities in the State of South Carolina. Mayor

Heyward has been meeting with the team for the construction of the new Town Hall building and it appears that the Town is ahead of Charleston County. The Town is waiting for Charleston County to submit paperwork for permits. The date for the groundbreaking is scheduled for November 4, 2017. Several contractors that have responded to the RFQ that was advertised have been interviewed but one has not been selected yet. Our Project Manager should have someone selected by next month's meeting. The Town is suggesting that local and minority contractors be used for the project.

XI. Comments from Council/Mayor

Councilmember Sausser challenged Council to ask residents of the community what their passion, needs and hopes are for the Town of Hollywood. She asked what the next step would be to increase the amount of days the Senior Center is open. She is interested in seeing where each of the members of the Planning Commission lives so that the Town can have a good representation of the entire community and not just certain areas. Mayor Heyward stated that the positions for the BZA and Planning Commission were advertised in the paper and challenged Councilmember Sausser to go out into the community and invite citizens that are interested to be a part of the Board. Councilmember Dunmyer, III also addressed the issue about interested citizens serving on the Town's Boards. He mentioned that there have been a lot of deaths in the area and asked everyone to pray for the families in the Town.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM

**Prepared by:
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Clerk-Treasurer**