



# TOWN COUNCIL

## Regular Meeting

### Minutes

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Monday, 27 April 2015

6:30PM

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 6:30PM.

#### **II. Roll Call**

In attendance were Councilmembers Dunmyer, III, Middleton, Salters, Sausser, Smalls, Sr., Attorney Austen and Clerk-Treasurer Gantt. Councilmember Townsend and Planner/Zoning Administrator Holton were absent.

#### **III. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**

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

#### **IV. Adoption of Agenda**

Councilmember Middleton made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of a report from the Project Cool Breeze committee. Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Mayor Heyward recognized Bill Taylor, regional representative from the MASC and Kala Goodwine, principal of Baptist Hill Middle High School at the meeting.

#### **Presentations:**

Charleston Animal Society CEO, *Joe Elmore*, provided council a 2014 year in review report. He said that they have had a successful year providing services to include adoption, in-take, spay and neuter and euthanizations. Councilmember Sausser invited him to attend the Clean and Green Festival on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

*Patrick Walker*, with SE RCAP, provided council an update on the wastewater rate study that has been underway for about a year. He said that the study is continually being refined for accuracy and fairness. The final report may not be ready until before this year ends. He said that he has met with the Mayor, staff, the Town's engineer and representatives from Charleston Water System over several months and he looks forward to providing a thorough report.

#### **V. Public Comments:**

*No one present made a comment.*

#### **VII. Minutes:**

Councilmember Sausser made a motion accepting minutes of the Public Hearing held on March 23, 2015 as prepared. Councilmember Salters seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Councilmember Middleton made a motion accepting minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 23, 2015 as prepared. Councilmember Salters seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Councilmember Sausser asked about the Resolutions from last month regulating night clubs and if it was an oversight on all three clubs needing to have outside security while the club is opened. She asked for that to be presented at the next meeting as a Resolution; each club should have security for the outside grounds of their business.

### **VIII. Committee Reports:**

Finance - Councilmember Sausser made a motion accepting the finance report as information; Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded it and all voted in favor.

Election Commission – Edna Nesbitt, Chairperson and Maxine Buck-Gailliard, Commissioner were present. Mrs. Nesbitt said that the committee starting meeting in February to prepare for this Election. She said the candidates for the 3 Council seats are John Dunmyer, III, Ezell Middleton, Althea Salters and Eddie Scott. Candidates for the office of Mayor are Jacquelyn Heyward and Richmond Truesdale. She said Election Day is June 2<sup>nd</sup> and the polls will be open from 7am to 7pm on that day.

Beautification – Councilmember Sausser said that the Clean and Green Festival is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2015. She said the band Leather and Lace will perform, there will be a pony ride for the children and Lulla Belle's will have their food truck on site.

Project Cool Breeze – Councilmember Dunmyer, III said that residents can call in to the project's office as of May 18<sup>th</sup>. They are looking forward to another successful year with fan and air conditioning unit distribution to elderly residents of the Town.

### **IX. Old Business:**

None.

### **X. New Business:**

Resolution 16-2014-15 Amends the regular meeting date in May to the third Monday; due to the Memorial Day Holiday was accepted. The meeting will take place on May 18, 2015 at 6:30PM. Councilmember Sausser made a motion accepting this resolution, Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Resolution 17-2014-15 Appointing Margaret Pinckney to the Board of Zoning Appeals was accepted. Councilmember Middleton made a motion accepting this resolution, Councilmember Sausser seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

### **X. Mayor's Update:**

- Mayor Heyward stated that she received a call one day before the article posted to the Newspaper about the SCE&G Hollywood office closure. She has written a letter and scheduled a meeting with a SCE&G representative this week to discuss some options.
- Lisa Hajjar, with the Toogoodoo Conservation District, has partnered with the Town and worked through two phases of the septic upgrade project. They are now in the third phase.
- Joni Dunmyer, daughter of Councilmember Dunmyer, III, has invited council to the hooding ceremony at USC where she has earned her doctoral degree.

**XI. Comments from Mayor/Council:**

*Councilmember Sausser* said that Councilmember Dunmyer, III received the Golden Eagle Award for citizenship.

*Councilmember Sausser* said that the WIC program is available on James Island and she will share the pamphlet with the office.

**XII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38PM.

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