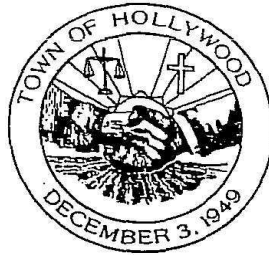


JACQUELYN S. HEYWARD
Mayor

JOHN DUNMYER, III
Mayor Pro Tem



Council members:
EZELL G. MIDDLETON
ALTHEA SALTERS
ANNETTE SAUSSER
KENNETH SMALLS, SR.
HERBERT TOWNSEND

Town Clerk/Treasurer
NIEMA GANTT-BROWN

Minutes of the regular council meeting for the Town of Hollywood held in Council Chambers at 6322 Hwy 162 on Monday, September 26, 2011 at 6:30 pm. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Heyward at 6:30 pm. This meeting's notice was published in the Post and Courier newspaper.

In attendance were council members Dunmyer, III, Middleton, Salters, Sausser, Smalls, Sr., Townsend, Clerk-Treasurer Gantt-Brown, Planner/Zoning Administrator Holton, Town Engineer Seabrook and Town Attorney Austen.

Invocation was given by Councilmember Smalls; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was adopted with the following amendments: after Utilities Committee Report, add Project Cool Breeze and under New Business add a resolution to appoint applicant to BZA. Motion to accept the amended agenda was made by Councilmember Dunmyer, III and seconded by Councilmember Sausser; all voted in favor.

Public Comments:

Robert Bowens, is one of the present owners of Lakeside Lounge in Hollywood. He states that he is the former owner of the club that was called Rob's Paradise at Peter Miller; which used to stay open until 3:30am. He employed a SLED qualified security team and the Charleston County Sheriff's office praised him for how he operated that nightclub from the year 2007 to 2009. He admits there were a couple fights, some baby mama drama, and a few drug related arrests were made. He also states that he ran another nightclub that was called Tuby's; for his brother. Mr. Bowens states he is a 14 year PTA president and he collects \$5-10K each year for the schools. He had an on the job injury which led to his previous business closing. Currently he employs 7 to 12 security guards and 2 cooks in the kitchen at Lakeside Lounge. He is asking town council for an allowance to open his club for 2 more hours; beyond the required closing time of 2am for one night a week and he will surrender his liquor license during that time. This would serve as a gentlemen's agreement; as done in Dorchester County. This nightclub is his only source of income. Melvin is his brother and a partner in this business with him and recognizes that Melvin can be hard to work with at times. Councilmember Dunmyer, III has called and complained when he had Rob's Paradise and he immediately corrected the issues. Mayor Heyward stated she met and spoke with Mr. Bowens a couple weeks back and at that time she states she explained the Town ordinance and its intentions at that time and that council was not considering changes. She invited him to come to town council and express his concerns; council will then review that item at their discretion.

Richard Campbell, requested a sign permit to be approved so that the sign may be upgraded outside of the existing Mt. Olivet church in Ravenel, SC. They would like to clean and repaint lettering on the sign. His question was whether they needed to pay \$50 for a permit to clean and paint an existing sign each time it needed to be done. Mayor Heyward stated this is not a matter for council. Councilmember

Smalls told Mr. Campbell he should just clean and paint the sign. Councilmember Middleton stated there should not be a requirement to pay that fee for each cleaning. Mayor Heyward stated that if there is an issue with instruction given from the office, there is protocol to follow. We will get an answer to you regarding this matter within the week.

Presentation:

David Kinard, SCDOT Project Manager, provided an update to council on the sidewalk project. The Town was awarded a grant in 2003 to construct a sidewalk from RD Schroder Middle School to Baptist Hill Road. There is \$146,000 remaining to be spent on this project. Presently the sidewalk ends in front of the school. The local planning groups are no longer in function and the town has been caught in that process; that is the reasoning for such a delay with this project. He presented council with the following options to move forward: continue with the sidewalk in phases from (1) the elementary school to New Road, (2) New Road to Cherry Hill Road A, (3) Cherry Hill Road A to Cherry Hill Road B or (4) Cherry Hill Road B to Baptist Hill Road. Potential start dates could be between the Summer and Fall of 2012. Mr. Kinard suggested the town build the road to New Rd and use extra funds later in another project, or come up with the additional \$30K that will be needed to complete the project or build the sidewalk up to Cherry Hill Road B and pipe the ditches potentially to the middle of Cherry Hill Road A or B. Councilmember Sausser stated she likes the idea to cover the ditches; that will address the safety issue and make the area more bicycle friendly. Councilmember Dunmyer, III stated he would reorganize phase 4 to be phase 1 or 2. This area is widely used by children walking to and from school. Mayor Heyward stated the town will continue to look for enhancement grants to help with additional funds needed.

Minutes:

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held on August 22, 2011 were accepted as presented. Councilmember Sausser motioned for acceptance and Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded; all voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

Finance

The financial reports of August 2011 were accepted as presented as information. Councilmember Townsend stated he would like to see an income statement of park rentals. Councilmember Dunmyer, III made the motion of acceptance and Councilmember Sausser seconded it; all voted in favor.

Utilities

- Mr. Seabrook stated he has spoken with a consultant for Charleston County and they are looking at a standard section of Trexler Ave. Charleston County would want to do a survey of the drainage, trees and etc. to help improve the road. Mayor Heyward stated the town has asked County Council for Sales Tax funds and haven't heard of the status yet. This was an Earth Road Repair request. Charleston County has staked out the property boundaries at Trexler Avenue. It has not been paved just improved to help allow for two lane traffic. She also stated Wide Awake Park is being rented often as well as others.
- There is no revenue in sewer; any new developments and construction will help. Gases are destroying the system; although a chemical has been added to alleviate some issues. Considering the pump stations are undertaking this type of damage, their lifespan has a shortened. An estimated \$80K is needed for one pump station and if something isn't done real soon we will

lose at investments made thus far. Mayor Heyward stated the revenues aren't keeping up with the expenditures. We just replaced two grinder pumps and they were not cheap.

Councilmember Dunmyer, III asked if the sewer lines can be flushed to get rid of the gases as CWS does with the water on Hwy 162 and Hwy 165. Mr. Seabrook stated the cost may outweigh the benefit.

- SC DHEC has not approved a percolation test for one resident and he is working with DHEC on that matter.

Planning/Zoning

Mr. Holton stated BZA had no cases in the month of September. Planning Commission had four (4) cases; three approvals and one tabled item. SCE&G's request for site plan approval to construct a truck shed, a subdivision of a parcel on Oyster Road, and the amendment to the Town's site plan review ordinance were approved. The request for a rezoning of property on Hwy 162, where the business called Charleston Blues is located, was tabled. The planning commissioners felt the property should be staked and a letter to surrounding residents regarding the request to rezone should have been mailed out prior to them hearing the request for rezoning. Councilmember Townsend stated he noted Delores Lloyd, the applicant for the rezoning request that was tabled, is not the property owner. Councilmember Sausser asked Mr. Holton if the property owner was aware of the increase in his property tax once the rezoning is granted. Mr. Holton stated Ms. Lloyd is asking for rezoning not ownership. Attorney Austen added that there is a letter along with the rezoning request information from the property owner in favor of Ms. Lloyd applying for the rezoning. Councilmember Middleton asked if they want the rezoning for a restaurant or bar & grill; the paperwork indicates the desire for a restaurant. Councilmember Salters stated the records should reflect the intent. Octavia Ancrum, on behalf of Delores Lloyd, stated they want to operate a sports bar & grill, she called the office and spoke with Ms. Brooks as well as Mr. Holton and have done everything they instructed to get this approval. Mr. Holton stated that under GC a restaurant is committed by right and sports bar & grill requires a conditional approval.

Project Cool Breeze

Councilmember Dunmyer, III gave a final report that 33 air conditioners and 5 fans were given to Hollywood residents. September 1st was the last day of distribution.

Council Retreat Summary

Mayor Heyward stated the identified areas of concern were discussed and she would like for this to be an ongoing plan of action; not a dust collector. She would like to come back at the next meeting and work on a few of these areas at a time. A strategic plan in prioritization must be assembled. She asked council if they want to set up committees to move forward. A survey has been put together by Councilmember Sausser and Ann Gillespie. Mayor Heyward stated that we can disburse the survey but how do we get it back from the residents. Town council stated they will split the areas churches and deliver the flyers to them, so that they can be forwarded to the congregations. Mayor Heyward stated this will need to be done within the next month. Councilmember Townsend stated he will make home visits to those who are not in church; he will be working on Sunday's in October. Councilmember Middleton stated she's not sure of her schedule as well but she will visit the Manor community.

- Mayor Heyward asked town council if they would allow Ann Gillespie to make a relevant comment. Ms. Gillespie invited all to attend a PTA meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 27th at Town Hall at 7:00pm. She stated CCSD #23 is ranked 38th in the state of failing schools.

At the PTA meeting they will be discussing plans for Hollywood's children. She would like to see reading and math specialist on site from 6am to 10pm to assist the children who need tutoring. She envisions an 11,000 sq. ft library with EMS across the street from it. A grant writer has offered to write one grant for us for free. There is a \$380M Homeland Security grant to help with the road issues from Hwy 162 and Savannah Hwy, up to Hwy 174.

Executive Session:

Councilmember Dunmyer, III motioned to adjourn to executive session at 7:47 pm to discuss a litigation matter; Councilmember Sausser seconded it and all voted in favor.

Councilmember Dunmyer, III motioned to return to open forum at 8:02 pm to discuss a litigation matter; Councilmember Sausser seconded it and all voted in favor.

Old Business:

2nd Reading of Ordinance 2011-12-01 adopts updates to the Employee Handbook for town hall staff. Councilmember Middleton motioned for acceptance of the updates, Councilmember Dunmyer, III seconded it; all voted in favor.

2nd Reading of Ordinance 2011-12-02 accepts the donation of 2.8 acres from the Thigpen estate. Councilmember Salters asked if the property is being donated in lieu of fines to be paid and what that fine assessment totals. Attorney Austen stated the fines stipulate the property can not be sold, permitted for construction, rezoned or otherwise disturbed for four (4) years. Mayor Heyward stated we need to look at the forestry act guidelines to timber from your own land. Attorney Austen stated he can look into that and bring more information to council. Councilmember Smalls, Sr. motioned for acceptance of the updates, Councilmember Sausser seconded it; all voted in favor.

New Business:

1st reading of Ordinance 2011-12-03; the rezoning of TMS# 247-00-00-065 at 4562 Hwy 162 from RA to GC was tabled. Councilmember Sausser motioned for approval of the rezoning and then recalled her motion; Mayor Heyward seconded the recall of that motion which was unanimously accepted. Councilmember Smalls motioned to table the request for rezoning; Mayor Heyward seconded it; all voted in favor.

Resolution 3-2011-12 appoints Betty Jean Dunmeyer to serve on the board of BZA. Councilmember Dunmyer, III motioned for acceptance of the resolution, Councilmember Smalls, Sr. seconded it; all voted in favor.

1st reading of Ordinance 2011-12-05 adopts the amendments to the town code for Site Plan review. Councilmember Smalls, Sr. motioned for adoption of the ordinance, Councilmember Salters seconded it; all voted in favor.

Comments from Council/Mayor:

Councilmember Sausser, stated Music Festival was a huge success; next year it will be held in October when it is cooler.

Mayor Heyward stated this was the first meeting in almost 5 years where it reached a two hour time frame.

- Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN) has its annual charity golf tournament with 50 players and 3 major sponsors. Local business owner George Grant was entertaining the players and NHN's board member Bert Moore was helping with registration. The tournament brought in about \$17K. Pat Barber, the very generous owner of the Links at Stono Ferry, offered his golf course at no cost as he has done each year. Linda Youngblood was selected for service this year with proceeds from the tournament and repairs to her home are underway through a partnership with Rural Mission and its volunteer groups. A dedication of her home is expected before the Thanksgiving holiday.
- There will be a small business forum for the St. Paul's area on September 29th at 7pm at RD Schroder Cafeteria. The question was asked in a survey what was the problem area for businesses and the mostly replied Safety.
- Radia Heyward, Chairperson of NHN, asked council to participate in the Family Fun Fest which will take place at Pineland Park on October 29th. When asked by Mayor Heyward Council decided to collaborate and create a haunted house.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Niema Gantt-Brown, Town Clerk-Treasurer