Minutes

Regular Town Council Meeting **Tuesday, February 13, 2024 - 7:00 PM**McCormick One Stop Conference Room

109 W. Augusta St., McCormick, SC



Welcome & Comments - Mayor Smith welcomed all those in attendance to the Town's February regular Town Council meeting thanking them for their attendance.

Call to Order -

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:01 pm, and called for

- A) **Quorum Confirmation** Town Clerk/Treasurer Mrs. McKinney announced a quorum was present
 - B) Pledge of Allegiance all present stood and gave the Pledge in a patriotic manner
- C) **Invocation** Mayor Smith gave the invocation, being thankful for the day, asking for mercy and grace for all present and community, clarity of mind, thoughts and tongue regarding the meeting, and blessings for those present and the McCormick Community.

<u>Approval of Agenda as Presented</u> – Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented; **Council Member Mr. Jennings offered the motion, said motion duly seconded by Council Members Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.**

<u>Appearance of Citizens – Public Comments –</u> Mayor Smith stated that **no written requests** had been received, and then calling for comments from those attending and receiving none, he closed the public comments section of the meeting.

Oath of Office Certified Police Officer Matthew Yonn

Mayor Smith called forward Police Officer Matthew Yonn who took the oath of office as a certified law enforcement – police officer – for the Town of McCormick.

Mayor Smith thanked Officer Yonn for his dedication and welcomed him as a police officer and member of the Town's Police Department and the Town family.

Moving to -

Regular Town Council Business Items –December & January (the items being combined due to a lack of quorum for the December meeting) – Mayor Smith called for questions or comments regarding the

- A) Minutes
- B) Bills
- C) Financial Statement

(Council had received copies of documents for review prior to the meeting.)
And receiving none, he called for a motion. Council Member Mr. Jennings offered the motion, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.

Moving to -

<u>Legislation for consideration</u> – Mayor Smith stated two Resolutions were to be considered for approval – (there being no ordinances to consider) – (Council had received copies of the documents for review prior to the meeting.)

B) Resolutions - R-2024-01-09 (1) - & R02924-02-13

(1) Renew Grounds Maintenance Contract with All-Terrain Landscaping; Mayor Smith called for questions regarding and receiving none, he called for a motion.

Council Member Mr. Jennings made a motion to approve the Resolution, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby and unanimously approved.

(2) Resolution to adopt Safety Management Program for 2024 and the Town's Emergency Action Plan; Mayor Smith called for any questions regarding.

Council Member Mr. Chiles asked question as to the procedure for drills; Chief of Police Willis stated that the Town had adopted the County's Plan, and tabletop meetings were held and scenarios were presented as to who would handle any emergency and procedures to be used.

Mayor Smith called for other questions comments, and receiving none, he called for a motion.

Council Member Mr. Jennings made the motion to adopt the Safety Management Program and Emergency Action Plan, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.

(Council signatures were obtained for both Resolutions.)

C) Proclamations: One: School Choice Week
Mayor Smith stated this Proclamations was issued annually in January support of school choice.

Moving to -

Reports – (council had received copies for review prior to the meeting)
Mayor Smith called for questions or comments regarding

- A) Police no questions or comments offered
- B) Fire no questions or comments offered
- C) Clerk/Treasurer & Deputy Clerk/Treasurer no questions or comments offered

He then called for a motion regarding Reports.

Council Member Mr. Jennings made the motion to approve all reports, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby and unanimously approved.

Old Business -

A) No old business was listed to come before Council.

New Business -

- A) Filing of 2023 Statement of Economic Interests Mayor Smith stated this was a reminder to file, which was to be done by March 30, 12 noon, and if not filed a penalty would be assessed.
- B) Report on Contracts for 2024 Mayor Smith stated that the audit contract (the one questioned by Council Member Mr. Chiles as to renewal) would need to be renewed and Council needed to approve for him

to negotiate the contract with the auditor. Council Member Mr. Jennings made the motion regarding the audit, with Council Member Mrs. Franklin, duly giving second, with said motion being unanimously approved. Moving to the -Mayor's Report - Mayor Smith first stated -He attended the Hometown Legislative Action Day - held on Wednesday, February 7, which had a good turnout, and was a meeting with the Legislative delegation, representatives and senators. That a job fair would be held at Savannah Lakes Village on February 15; 10 am to 1 pm; and that letters/flyers had been mailed out and given to various individuals regarding the event; the event to be held at the River Grille. He attended the Chamber's Annual Dinner Meeting on February 8, and was pleased to announce that Mrs. McKinney had received recognition for a community service award; he stated the Town had also received an award for support of the Chamber on the many years. Adjournment - Mayor Smith called for other business to come before Council - Mr. Cook asked to speak and reminded the Mayor and Council of the upcoming Leadership Event held by the Schools on February 28; he stated a luncheon would be served, and that anyone attending would need to call the School District to sign up. The event, he stated, would be held in the middle school gym, from 9 am to 12 noon. Mayor Smith then called for other items to come before council, and receiving none, he called for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Mr. Dansby offered the motion to adjourn, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved. Council Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:21 pm. Respectfully submitted -

Sandra McKinney
Town Clerk/Treasurer

Attendance Schedule

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Mayor

Roy Smith, Jr.

Council Members

Dolly Franklin Nathan Jones Calvin Chiles Curt Dansby Alvin Jennings

Attorney

James G. Padgett, III

Department Heads

Police Chief W.D. (Bo) Willis

Fire Chief Mike Barron

Clerk/Treasurer

Sandra McKinney

News Media

Journal-Messenger

John Stone

FOIA Notifications

Chuck Cook, County Council Member,

District 3

John Stone, Journal-Messenger

Others

Scott Warring, SLV Liaison

Chuck Cook, County Council Member,

District 3 and Mrs. Cook

Marge Elmore, Resident of Washington

Street

File: M02132024

^{- &}quot;In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, an agenda was posted on the rear entrance door to the McCormick One Stop, 109 W Augusta St and in the kiosk in front of Town Hall, 117 W Augusta St, posted on the Town's website, townofmccormicksc.org, and sent to the news media."

⁻ This is a meeting defined under S.C. Code Ann. Section 30.4-20(d) - ('Meeting' means the convening of a quorum of the constituent membership of a public body, whether corporal or by means of electronic equipment, to discuss or act upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power.' (emphasis added)