

**APPROVED**

*Minutes*

*Regular Town Council Meeting*

\*\*\*\*\*Tuesday, July 9, 2024 - 7:00 PM\*\*\*\*\*

*McCormick One Stop Conference Room  
109 W Augusta Street, McCormick, SC*

8/13/24  
MS

Mayor Smith

**Welcome & Comments – Mayor Smith**

Mayor Smith welcomed all of those in attendance to the Town's July regular council meeting, stating that Council Member Mr. Chiles would be absent due to illness, and that Council Member Mr. Jennings would be absent as well.

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1. Call to Order – Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:01 pm, and called for:

**Quorum Confirmation** – Calling for council quorum, Mrs. McKinney, Town Clerk/Treasurer, announced that a quorum was present.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Calling for the Pledge of Allegiance, all stood and offered same in a patriotic manner.

**Invocation** - Mayor Smith gave the Invocation, being thankful for the day, air, food, and shelter; favor of wisdom in handling matters for the Town, guidance, grace, and mercy.

2. Approval of Agenda as Presented –

**Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve; said motion duly given by Council Member Mr. Jones, duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby and unanimously approved.**

3. Appearance of Citizens – Mayor Smith stated there were no requests.

4. Regular Town Council Business Items – June – Mayor Smith called for any questions or comments regarding the:

A) **Minutes**

B) **Bills** -

C) **Financial Statement** – stating that Audit work for the FY 23/24 Fiscal Year had begun.

Council had received copies of the documents prior to the meeting for review. No questions or comments being offered, Mayor Smith called for action by Council.

**Council Member Mr. Dansby made a motion to approve the Minutes, Bills, and Financial Statement, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.**

5. Legislation –

Mayor Smith stated there were two Ordinances:

**Ordinance 2024-06-11-02** – Second Reading/Adoption – Ordinance Language Change due to error in previous Ordinance and

**Ordinance 2024–07-09-01** – Special Election Ordinance for November 12, 2024 for Introduction/First Reading.

Council had received copies of the Legislative items for review prior to the meeting.

Calling for any questions or comments, regarding Ordinance 2024-6-11-02, Salary Increase for Election Officials and receiving none, Mayor Smith called for a motion.

**Council Member Mr. Jones made a motion to give second reading/adoption to Ordinance 2024-06-11-02, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Dansby and unanimously approved. Signatures of Council obtained.**

Calling for any questions or comments regarding Ordinance 2024-04-09-01, Special Election Ordinance, and receiving none, Mayor Smith called for a motion.

**Council Member Mr. Dansby made a motion to give first reading to Ordinance 2024-07-09-01, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.**

**Resolutions** – Mayor Smith stated there was one –

**Resolution 2024-07-09-01** – SC Abandoned Building Tax Credit Program – MACK

Mayor Smith stated the MACK building having been under renovations for the past several years and being 66% vacant, would be eligible for credit under the SC Abandoned Building Tax Credit Program. He called for any questions regarding the same, and receiving none, called for a motion.

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

**Proclamations** – Mayor Smith stated no Proclamations had been issued.

6. Reports – Council had received copies of the reports prior to the meeting for review, and Mayor Smith called for any questions or comments regarding:

**Police** – Council Member Mrs. Franklin asked regarding the number of calls for Officer Young, with Chief Willis explaining that Officer Young was working the night shift along with assistance from the County, and her number of calls increased as a result. Council Member Mr. Dansby asked the status of officers in the Department, with Chief Willis stating that Officer Owen had resigned, and the Department was looking at a candidate to be hired.

**Fire** – no questions or comments offered.

**Clerk/Treasurer & Deputy Clerk/Treasurer** – no questions or comments offered.

Mayor Smith called for a motion regarding the Reports.

**Council Member Mrs. Hood made a motion to approve the Reports, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.**

7. Old Business - Mayor Smith stated there was no old business to consider.

8. New Business – Mayor Smith stated there was no new business to consider.

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Moving to:

**Mayor's Comments:**

**For the Juneteenth holiday – June 19** – Town Hall & Mayor's Office were closed in observance

**The Municipal Association's Annual Meeting would be held in Greenville, July 17-21**, he and Council Member Mr. Dansby would be attending

**Reception/Gathering for Charlotte Tallent – June 28**, he and several Council Members attended; and many others from the community, with Mrs. Tallant receiving many awards. Mayor Smith stated, with her having served the community for the past nine years, she would be leaving a "footprint" and would definitely be remembered.

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Before adjourning, Mayor Smith called for any other business to come before Council.

**Council Member Mr. Dansby stated he had gotten a call regarding how fast the train comes through town at night, and asked if anything could be done, in maybe asking that the trains be slowed down.**


Chief Willis spoke to this issue, stating that the Town, some years back, had an injunction placed against the Town, when the Town approached the Railroad regarding the same issue. He stated that the Railroad was regulated under federal regulations and there wasn't much that could be done, other than asking that the trains be slowed. The Clerk/Treasurer stated there was a complaint section on the Railroad's website where one could make comments.

9. Adjournment – Mayor Smith called for a motion to adjourn.

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

Council Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sandra McKinney  
Town Clerk/Treasurer

**Attendance Schedule**  
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Mayor	Roy Smith, Jr.
Council Members	Dolly Franklin Nathan Jones Curt Dansby Faye Hood
Absent	Calvin Chiles, illness Alvin Jennings
Department Heads	Police Chief W.D. Willis Fire Chief Mike Barron
News Media	McCormick Messenger John Stone
MACK – Arts Council	Heather McNally
FOIA Notifications	Chuck Cook, McCormick County Council Member – District 3 John Stone, Editor, McCormick Messenger Scott Wharram, SLV Public Affairs Liaison
Others	Mrs. Cook Lorna Hill
Public Posting	Town Kiosk, 117 W. Augusta St. Rear Entrance – One Stop Conference Room – 109 W Augusta St

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- 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)