



REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Town Council Chambers, Moncks Corner Municipal
Complex, 118 Carolina Avenue
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Town Council was called to order by Mayor Michael Locklear at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Michael A. Locklear
Mayor Pro-Tem David A. Dennis, Jr.
Council Member DeWayne G. Kitts
Council Member James N. Law, Jr.
Council Member Latorie Lloyd
Council Member Chadwick D. Sweatman
Council Member James B. Ware, III

Staff Present:

Jeffrey V. Lord, Town Administrator
John S. West, Town Attorney
Marilyn M. Baker, Clerk to Council
Justine H. Lovell, Finance Director
Douglas R. Polen, Community Development Director
Rebecca T. Ellison, Recreation Director
R. Logan Faulkner, Public Service Director
Robert L. Gass, III, Fire Chief
Mohamed A. Ibrahim, Technology Manager
Ehrichs B. Ollic, Police Chief

INVOCATION

The invocation was delivered by John West, Town Attorney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Council Member James N. Law, Jr.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. **Miracle League Donation:** Melynda Champion, CEO of Santee Cooper Credit Union and Michelle Jones, Manager of Marketing & Human Resources.

Melynda Champion, CEO of Santee Cooper Credit Union and Michelle Jones, Manager of Marketing & Human Resources presented Mayor Locklear and

Recreation Director Becky Ellison with a check to the Town in the amount of \$2,000 as a donation to the Miracle League Field. Michelle Jones added that their staff did a joint effort to raise the funds. The Miracle League Field was their donation of choice. Mayor Locklear expressed his appreciation on behalf of the Town for their efforts and generous donation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. **Regular Meeting:** January 18, 2022

Motion made by Council Member Law, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of January 18, 2022, seconded by Council Member Sweatman. Motion was approved unanimously as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

REPORTS

3. **Mayor's Report:** Michael A. Locklear

Mayor Locklear reported that the Town has received donations anywhere from \$5.00 - \$450,000. We are excited to be moving forward. Bids will be in on March 5th. Hopefully, we will be able to have the groundbreaking sometime in March.

4. **Administrator's Report:** Jeffrey V. Lord

Administrator Lord reported that the lighting is almost complete around the walking paths. Concrete is scheduled to be installed for the sidewalks next week.

Council Member Kitts added that he was in with Logan on the litter pick-up.

NEW BUSINESS

5. **Voluntary Demolition Assistance Program Request:** Administrator Jeff Lord

Administrator Lord reported that he received three requests for demolition assistance. Properties are located at 106 Butler Street, 204 Metts Street and 117 George Street. Brown's Hauling bid on the three properties and came in as the low bid of \$20,700. He requested approval to move forward.

Motion made by Council Member Law, to approve the bid from Brown's Hauling at \$20,700. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis. Motion was approved unanimously as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

6. **Memorandum of Understanding:** Statewide Court Case Management System

Administrator Lord explained that the CMS Program is a statewide court management program that is hosted by the State of SC for County Governments and Municipalities. The SC Judicial Branch will have the responsibility of maintaining the software, provide support and enhancements of the Court CMS. Court documents/traffic tickets etc. processed through our system will be uploaded to the State's portal in a timely and

efficient manner. Annual fees for the program are \$3500 beginning July 1, 2022. Staff has requested to do an archived data conversion of 15 years. Cost to convert 15 years of all cases filed within the 15 year period would not exceed \$40,000. The State indicated that the cost could be less but will not know until they start the process of converting the files. He added that this was not a budgeted item, however funds may be available through the Abatement and Improvement Fund if our projects come in under budget.

Motion made by Council Member Law, to approve moving forward with the Statewide Court Case Management System and conversion not to exceed \$40,000 and if funds are available. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis. Motion was approved unanimously as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

7. **Appointments:** Consider appointments of three members to the Board of Zoning Appeals for terms ending January, 2025.

Community Development Director Doug Polen explained that all three members who currently serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals have agreed to be reappointed. Terms will expire January, 2025 if approved. These members are as follows:

Theresa McLaughlin
Clayton Morton
Thurman Pellum

Motion was made by Council Member Law to re-appoint all three members to the Board of Zoning Appeals to serve another term ending January, 2025. Motion was seconded by Council Member Kitts and approved unanimously as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

8. **Appointments:** Consider appointments of four members to the Planning Commission for terms ending January, 2026.

Council Member Kitts made a motion to re-appoint Incumbents Robin McGhee-Frazier and Connor Salisbury and to appoint new applicants Drew Ensor and Nick Ross to serve on the Planning Commission for a term ending January, 2026.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

9. **An Ordinance for First Reading:** Consider an application to rezone 13.84 acres on N. Live Oak Drive, TMS 142-03-01-008 & -009, from R-1, Single Family Residential, to R-3, Multi-Family Residential with Conditions.

The request for re-zoning of property located on Live Oak Drive (TMS# 142-03-01-008 & 009) failed due to a lack of a motion from Council.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to be brought before Council.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Brad Greenburg of Simon Construction from Mt. Pleasant, SC spoke on behalf of the group who is requesting the rezoning of the property located on Live Oak Drive (TMS#142-03-01-008 & 009). He requested that the request for re-zoning of the property be opened back up for discussion. Mayor Locklear explained that there is no discussion because of a lack of a motion by Council, therefore the re-zoning request failed. He explained that he would have to take it back to the drawing board and discuss the matter with staff.

John Dulude of 204 California Avenue, Moncks Corner spoke on behalf of the community on California Avenue, he thanked Council for all their hard work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 10. Discussion:** Matters related to the principal location or expansion of services encouraging the location of businesses in Moncks Corner.

In Executive Session:

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis to go into executive session to discuss matters related to principal location or expansion of services encouraging the location of businesses in Moncks Corner. Motion was seconded by Council Member Sweatman and was approved as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

Out of Executive Session:

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis to go out of executive session and reconvene to the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Sweatman and was approved as follows:

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

Mayor Locklear had nothing to report out of executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Council Member Law, seconded by Council Member Kitts to adjourn the regular meeting of Council. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Motion was approved unanimously as follows.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Kitts, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, Council Member Sweatman, Council Member Ware.

A copy of this meeting's agenda was e-mailed to the Post and Courier, The Berkeley Independent, Live 5 News, Channel 4, Channel 2, and The News Journal Scene. As required, the agenda was posted on the Municipal Complex bulletin board and Town Website at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Minutes Approved and Adopted:

Marilyn M. Baker/Clerk to Council

March 15, 2022
DATE