



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Town Council Chambers, Moncks Corner Municipal
Complex, 118 Carolina Avenue
TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the 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 James N. Law, Jr.
Council Member Latorie S. Lloyd
Council Member Chadwick D. Sweatman
Council Member James B. Ware, III

Staff Present:

John S. West, Town Attorney
Jeffrey V. Lord, Town Administrator
Marilyn M. Baker, Administrative Services Director/Clerk to Council
Justine H. Lovell, Finance Director
R. Logan Faulkner, Public Service Director
Mohamed A. Ibrahim, Technology Manager
Joseph S. Powell, Battalion Fire Chief
Bryan L. Reid, Battalion Fire Chief
Justin S. Westbrook, Community Development Director
Rebecca Vetter, Business Development Manager
Stephen G. Young, Police Chief

Absent: DeWayne G. Kitts, Council Member
Robert L. Gass, III, Fire Chief

INVOCATION

Invocation was delivered by John S. West, Town Attorney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Council Member Chadwick D. Sweatman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Minutes:** Regular Meeting of Council - May 16, 2023
Motion made by Council Member Law to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 16, 2023. Motion was seconded by Council Member Sweatman and approved unanimously as follows:

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

REPORTS

2. **Mayor's Report:** Michael A. Locklear
Mayor Locklear reported that Council Member Latorie Lloyd presented on behalf of Council a Proclamation to Mr. John L. Fashion at a celebration honoring him for his 103rd Birthday.

Council Member Law spoke to the Leadership Berkeley class during their Government session on June 15th. He provided a brief update on the future growth and development plans for the Town and gave an overview on his role as a Council Member.

The Annual fourth of July celebration will be held on Saturday, July 1st at 6 p.m.

Becky Ellison, Recreation Director reported that all our softball teams, 8U and 12U were District Champions and will all go to the State Tournament in Easley. Our 10U and 15U are runner ups. The Recreation Department is going to do a send-off this Thursday at the Recreation Complex. The 9 and 10-year-olds won their district and will do their tournament in Clemson on July 8th. The Ozone State Tournament for 11 and 12-year-olds will be held in Moncks Corner July 7 – 13.

3. **Administrator's Report:** Jeffrey V. Lord
Courtney Boughton, Clerk of Court introduced the new Court Administrative Assistant, Kathleen Addair. Kathleen comes to the Town from Home Telecom. She was part of the first graduating class at Cane Bay High School. She earned her associate degree from Trident Technical College. Mayor Locklear and Council welcomed her.

Administrator Lord gave an update on the traffic light at US 52 and Foxbank Blvd. We are expecting the permit from the SCDOT in a week or two.

Staff is working on the FY 2024 Budget and will have some information for Council soon.

NEW BUSINESS

4. **Renovation Contract:** Consider authorizing renovations to the Moncks Corner Police Department Squad Room and awarding the low bid for construction. Administrator Lord reported that the Police Department Squad Room needs to be renovated to accommodate more office space for personnel. Public Service Director Logan Faulkner had a pre-bid conference with three contractors but only one responded. Carolina Contracting Solutions, LLC submitted a bid of \$41,793.00. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Carolina Contracting Solutions in the amount of \$41,793.00. Funding for the project will come from the Drug Fund Account.

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis to approve the renovation contract and award the bid to Carolina Contracting Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$41,793.00. Motion was seconded by Council Member Sweatman and approved unanimously as follows:

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

OLD BUSINESS

5. There was no old business to be brought before Council.

PUBLIC INPUT – There was no input from the public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

6. **Discussion:** Receipt of legal advice regarding development rights.

Motion was made by Council Member Law to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding development rights. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis and unanimously approved as follows:

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

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

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

Reconvened: Council reconvened to the regular meeting. Mayor Locklear reported that no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Council Member Law, seconded by, Council Member Sweatman to adjourn the regular meeting of Council. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m. Motion was approved unanimously as follows.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis, Council Member Law, Council Member Lloyd, 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

July 18, 2023

DATE