The regular meeting of Town Council was held on the above date at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, all requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied:

Present were: Carl Smith, Mayor  
Mike Perkis, Mayor Pro Tem  
Hartley Cooper, Councilwoman  
Jerry Kaynard, Councilman  
Patrick O’Neil, Councilman  


Mayor Smith opened the floor for public comment.  
Mark Howard inquired if palm trees could be planted in the raised median at Station 18 in front of the canons. Mayor Smith responded that Hal Currey volunteered to plant indigenous plants there. Chief Stith stated it would take place during planting season.

Mayor stated that Councilwoman McGee and Councilwoman Watson would not be present for the meeting tonight.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
Motion was made by Councilman Perkis, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting on December 18, 2012 and Special Meetings on December 18, 2012 and January 7, 2013, carried unanimously.

II. COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS  
1. Motion was made by Councilman Kaynard, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper to have Second Reading and Ratification of Ordinance No. 2013-01, An Ordinance to Amend Section 16-15(B) of the Personnel and Personnel Policy Ordinance regarding accrual of work hours during holiday weeks. Councilman Kaynard stated the amendment mainly affects the Water and Sewer employees, who routinely work on Saturdays and Sundays. Motion was made by Councilman O’Neil, seconded by Councilman Perkis, to amend the ordinance to delete scrivener’s notes beginning with “alternative second sentence through overtime calculations or not”, carried unanimously. Motion was made by Councilman Kaynard, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper, to approve the motion as amended, carried unanimously.
2. Motion was made by Councilman O’Neil, seconded by Councilman Kaynard, to defer First Reading of Ordinance No. 2013-02, An Ordinance to Amend Section 21-20 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding attached structures, carried unanimously.

3. Motion was made by Councilman O’Neil, seconded by Councilman Perkis, to defer First Reading of Ordinance No. 2013-03, An Ordinance for the Sale of Town Owned Real Property in the Town of Sullivan’s Island, carried unanimously.

III. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

General and New Correspondence – Correspondence was received from Jim Armstrong of the Charleston County Transportation Committee, confirming the allocation of CTC 2013 “C” Fund Road Improvement funds for the sidewalk at Station 22-1/2 to Station 23; and from Robert Clark of SCDOT explaining to John Winchester why his request to reduce the 25 mph speed limit from Station 22-1/2 to Station 22 was not approved.

Attorney Report - no report.

Boards and Commissions – Planning Commission chairman Chauncey Clark reported the Commission is working to complete the five year plan.

Administrator’s Report, Mayor Smith. Administrator Benke reported there was no new news regarding the Sullivan’s Island Elementary School. Polar Bear Swim 2013 - The staff will host a post event review with the commercial establishments and provide a report to Council. Special Event Request Hunley Memorial Service – The Confederate Heritage Trust will hold the annual Hunley Memorial Service on February 17, 2013 at Breach Inlet, including the re-enactors’ march from Stellas Maris church, Memorial service at Sunrise Presbyterian Church and closing remarks with cannon/musket fire on the beach. Special Event Request St. Patrick’s Day – Dunleavy’s Pub presented a new request for St. Patrick’s Day weekend which will be discussed at the February workshop. Council Retreat 2013 – It is tentatively scheduled on Saturday, March 2, 2013 from 9am-12 noon at Town Hall. General Dynamics - Force Protection MPC Water Test – General Dynamics will present to Council at the February Council meeting information regarding a test for the Marine Personnel Carrier sometime between March 30 and April 20, 2013.

Ways and Means Committee, Councilman Perkis. Monthly report rendered. Councilman Perkis stated the revenue was good and the expenses are as expected to date. Staff will present a mid-year review of the budget at the February workshop meeting. The Ways & Means Committee should meet in late January/early February to discuss funding options for Town Hall construction and Water & Sewer capital projects. This will be discussed at the February workshop. The Comptroller has moved funds to change several fund balances due to the FDIC coverage limits of $250,000.
Personnel Committee, Councilman Kaynard. Monthly report rendered. Interviews for the Zoning Administrator position are moving forward. Lisa Darrow, assistant to Administrator, passed the certification exam for Professional Human Resources manager.

Water and Sewer Committee, Councilman Perks. Monthly reports rendered. Middle Street Waterline project – A pre-construction meeting for the Middle Street Waterline Project was held on December 18, 2012. The contractor began mobilization in early January and has been making good progress. The forming of the sidewalk at Station 22-1/2 to Station 23 will begin on January 23. Water & Sewer Committee meeting – The Committee will meet on January 25, 2013 at 9 am in the Water and Sewer Administration building. Wastewater Treatment Plant Flow/Capacity – the plant flow data summary for 2012 was presented.

Building and Construction Committee, Councilwoman Cooper. Monthly report rendered. Chairman Cooper reported there is increased construction on the Island.

Fire Committee, Mayor Smith. Monthly report rendered. The Volunteer Fire and Rescue Oyster Roast will be February 9, 2013 from 5-8 pm.

Recreation Committee, Mayor Smith for Councilwoman Watson. No new information to report. Councilwoman Cooper stated the Sullivan’s Island Elementary School tennis team would like to practice with the kindergarteners one afternoon a week on the old tennis courts. There was a consensus of Council, with the school providing an insurance certificate and letter of indemnity.

Real Estate Committee, Councilman O’Neil. Consideration for a Permanent Town Hall – Town Hall Construction Ad Hoc Committee met with David Creech on January 17 to discuss possible locations for a Town Hall at 2050 Middle Street. Two options on Middle Street were presented, and the reasonable next step is to put out an RFQ for an architect, while continuing to make decisions on the location and the method of delivery. Motion was made by Councilman O’Neil, seconded by Councilman Kaynard, to proceed with the Request for Qualifications for an architect, carried unanimously. This project will now be moved to the Building and Construction Committee. Station 16 Street Urban Greenbelt Project – Good progress is being made on this trail. The Maintenance Department has completed the preliminary cut, and the Consultant is preparing a design of secondary trails and boardwalks.

Police Committee, Mayor Smith. Monthly report rendered. Chief Howard reported the Charlie Post race will take place on Saturday, January 26, 2013.

Streets and Maintenance Committee, Mayor Smith for Councilwoman McGee. No new information to report.

Motion was made by Councilman Kaynard, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper, to go into Executive Session for Legal Advice – Bluestein et al. vs. Town of Sullivan’s Island at 7:25 pm, carried unanimously.
Upon returning to regular session, Mayor Smith stated that no votes or action was taken.

Motion was made by Councilman O'Neil, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper, to adjourn, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ellen Miller