April 17, 2018

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

Present were: Patrick M. O’Neil, Mayor
Chauncey Clark, Mayor Pro-Tem
Sarah Church, Councilmember
Mark Howard, Councilmember
Rita Langley, Councilmember
Tim Reese, Councilmember
Bachman Smith, IV, Councilmember

Mayor O’Neil called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated the press and public had been notified in accordance with State Law. There were ten members of the public present and no members of the media present. Mayor O’Neil led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the invocation by Mayor Pro-Tem Clark.

I. FORMAT: Mayor O’Neil opened the floor for public comment. There were no public comments.

II. COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:

1. Approval of Council Minutes –
   Motion was made by Councilmember Reese, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2018, the Special Council Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2018; the Special Council Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2018, carried unanimously.

2. A Proclamation Designating the Week of Sunday, April 8 through April 14, 2018 as Days of Remembrance in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust was approved. Sandra Brett with the Charleston Jewish Federation, along with Joe Engel and Diny Adkins (survivors) lit candles and recited a prayer in memory of the six million Jews that died in World War II.

3. A Proclamation Designating Thursday, April 26, 2018 as Arbor Day was approved.
III. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:

1. Mayor’s Report- No items to report.

2. Administrator’s Report
   I. General Correspondence

   - Kristen Beckham, Dominion Energy- Update on the proposed merger of Dominion Energy with South Carolina Electric and Gas Company.
   - Ronald McGee, COMCAST Services- Announcement of upcoming programming changes.
   - Dan Lambe, President, Arbor Day Foundation- Correspondence Recognizing Sullivan’s Island as a 2017 Tree City recipient honoring its commitment to effective urban forest management.
   - South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control- Public Notice: The Department has extended the public comment period for the proposed jurisdictional lines until July 15, 2018, to ensure the public has ample opportunity for comment.
   - Eric Adams, Charleston County Transportation Committee- Correspondence requesting CTC “C” Fund Projects for FY 2019.
   - Lisa Appel, South Caroline Department of Health and Environmental Control- Request for public comment on the draft permit modification to the Joint Base Charleston Hazardous Waste Permit Modification.
   - Gus Katsanevakis, Mt. Pleasant resident- Objection to aircraft banner advertisements.
   - John Linton, Esq.- Town v. Vince Graham 2015-CP-01-5410- During the hearing on Motion for Summary Judgement the defendant agreed not to contest the Town arguments or proposed order. The judge signed the order.

II. Construction

Fire Station- Staff is reviewing strategies to craft a scope of work and construction for the Fire Station repairs.

III. Personnel

Britton Van Marel, Water and Sewer Department- Department Manager is requesting full-time status and merit increase.
IV. General

Commercial District Traffic Flow - Discussion continues with Stantec regarding traffic flow improvement in the Commercial District. The Engineer is not under contract until the scope is further detailed.

Battery Gadsden Cultural Center Event Request - BGCC is requesting the “Wooden Boat Show” be held on the open space contiguous to Battery Gadsden and in the parking lot area at Sullivan’s Island Elementary School.

3. Attorney’s Report – No items to report.


IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS - DISCUSSION ITEMS:


Comptroller Jason Blanton provided to Council the FY2019 Budget Timeline as well as the preliminary FY2019 budget for review. Mayor O’Neil suggested scheduling a Special Meeting of Council to review the budget before First Reading. Councilmember Church stated the Recreation budget is now $28K lower than shown on the preliminary FY2019 budget.

Recreation Committee – Councilmember Church.

2018 Farmers Market - The 2018 Farmers Market season has begun. The season is April 12-June 28 from 2:30-6:30 p.m.

Public Facilities Committee – Councilmember Howard. Monthly report rendered.

Land Use and Natural Resources Committee – Councilmember Langley. Monthly report rendered.

Clean Beach Initiative - Staff has crafted language for the website and other social media portals to educate the public and to spread the word. The beach patrol is also stepping up their enforcement for litter.

Administration Committee – Councilmember Reese. Monthly report rendered.
Water and Sewer Committee – Councilmember Smith. Monthly reports rendered.

Waste Water Treatment Plant- Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Reese, to pursue the Installment Purchase Revenue Bond to fund the Waste Water Treatment Plant Upfits and other Sewer Collection Infrastructure Capital Needs, carried unanimously. Councilmember Smith stated this has been an ongoing discussion for over 6 years.

Capital Improvements Plan for FY18-FY22- Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Howard, to Ratify the Sullivan’s Island Water and Sewer Department Capital Improvements Plan for FY18-FY22, carried unanimously.

Committee Meeting – The next Water & Sewer Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 8:45 a.m. at Town Hall.

Public Safety Committee – Councilmember Clark. Monthly reports rendered.

Boat Trailer Parking- Boat trailer license agreement has been prepared and is ready to issue.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Church, to Amend the Agenda to add the Executive Session item discussion of School Resource Officers, carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Reese, to go into Executive Session at 6:28 p.m. for:

1. Legal Advice- Lassoe vs. Town of Sullivan’s Island 2016-CP-10-6404- Regarding Dock on Town Property.
2. Contractual- Discussion of School Resource Officers

The motion to go into Executive Session carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to come out of Executive Session at 7:13 p.m., carried unanimously. Mayor O’Neil stated that no votes or actions were taken during Executive Session.
VI. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilmember Reese, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to adjourn at 7:14 p.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Courtney Liles