May 15, 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
Rita Langley, 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 two members of the public present and two 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. Mayor O’Neil, along with Town Council, took a moment to welcome the newest Officer Sydney De Nett. She successfully completed the 12-week Basic Law Enforcement Training Program with Class 680. Graduation was held on Friday, May 4, 2018 in Columbia. Please congratulate Officer De Nett on her accomplishment when you see her patrolling the Island.

2. Approval of Council Minutes –
   Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2018 and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2018, carried unanimously.

3. A Proclamation Designating the Week of May 21-27, 2018 as National Safe Boating Week was approved.

4. Motion was made by Councilmember Langley, seconded by Councilmember Clark, to have First Reading, by Title Only, Ordinance 2018-03, An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Town of Sullivan’s Island Public Facilities Corporation

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Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds, Series 2018; Authorizing the Lease of Certain Real Property to Town of Sullivan’s Island Public Facilities Corporation; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Certain Instruments Relating to the Issuance and Sale of the Aforesaid Bonds, Including a Base Lease Agreement and a Municipal Facilities Purchase Agreement, Each Between the Town of Sullivan’s Island, South Carolina and Town of Sullivan’s Island Public Facilities Corporation, a Bond Purchase Agreement Among the Town, Town of Sullivan’s Island Public Facilities Corporation and Wells Fargo Securities, and a Preliminary Official Statement and an Official Statement of the Town; and Other Matters Relating Thereto, carried unanimously.

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.

II. Construction

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

III. 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- Discussion of details for 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 are ongoing.

Battery Gadsden- Mold traps were set Friday, May 4, 2018. Results to be forwarded to the Public Facilities Chair.
Memorial Day Holiday Schedule- Town Hall and all non-essential services will observe Memorial Day on Monday 5-28-18 by closing at 5pm Friday 5-25-18 and re-opening Tuesday 5-29-18 at 8am. The household garbage collection is adjusted for the holiday and the summer collection begins during the first week of June.

South Carolina Department of Transportation- During a routine inspection of the I-526 westbound bridge crossing the Wando River, the SCDOT identified a deteriorating loadbearing support cable. The westbound lane has been closed indefinitely. Various state, county and local agencies are managing traffic flow to and from the East Cooper area. No date has been given for the re-opening of the bridge.

3. Attorney’s Report – Motion was made by Councilmember Church, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to approve a Fee Simple Title by Sallie K. Halsey for 2505 I’On Avenue, Sullivan’s Island, SC 29482, carried unanimously.

4. Boards and Commissions Reports – Planning Commission: the next Steering Committee Meeting will be held on June 13, 2018. Plan Elements to be discussed are the Land Use and Natural Resources and Priority Investment.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS- DISCUSSION ITEMS:


A Public Hearing and Special Meeting of Council will be held on June 4, 2018 before the Council Workshop Meeting.

Water and Sewer Committee – Councilmember Smith. Monthly reports rendered.

Committee Meeting – The next Water & Sewer Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 8:45 a.m. at Town Hall.

Public Safety Committee – Councilmember Clark. Monthly reports rendered.

Commercial District Traffic Flow- The Ad Hoc Committee and staff for traffic flow will meet later this week with Rick Day of Stantec to discuss a scope of study for the matter.

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

Fire Station- Councilmember Smith has been in contact with various engineers to scope out work for this project. More information to come within the next two weeks.

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 absent. Monthly report rendered.

V. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to adjourn at 6:23 p.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Liles