

July 19, 2016

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  
Susan Middaugh, 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 approximately ten members in the audience, with one member of the media. Mayor O'Neil led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the invocation by Councilmember Clark.

**I. FORMAT:** Mayor O'Neil opened the floor for public comment.

Seth Abramson, 187 Gordon Street, Owner of Daniel Island Bike Taxi, spoke to Council about his company providing service on the island. He stated that he is going to start a petition for residents to sign in favor of his service on the island.

Tobias Van Buren, 1825 Rifle Range Road, recommended to Council to consider adding rumble strips to the roadway on the southern side of the Ben Sawyer.

Norman Khoury, 1728 I'on Avenue, stated that Council and the Boards should preserve any Officers' and Sergeants' Quarters on the island, instead of allowing changes to be made. He also stated that if he ever got approved for a variance on his home, he hopes Council would then turn him down.

Linda Perkis, 2871 Brownell Avenue, urged to Council to oppose the decision made by the Design Review Board for an addition and change to a Junior Officers' Quarters house.

John Winchester, 2720 Brooks Street, also urged to Council to oppose the decision by the Design Review Board to a Junior Officers' Quarters and prevent any in the future.

## **II. OATH OF OFFICE:**

Mayor O'Neil, along with Police Chief Howard, administered the Oath of Office to Clyde Lear, the newest employee of the Police Department. Chief Howard stated that Officer Lear last served in Dorchester County for 22 years.

## **III. COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:**

### **1. Approval of Council Minutes –**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Church, seconded by Councilmember Howard, to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2016, carried unanimously.**

### **2. Motion was made by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to have Third Reading and Ratification, Ordinance No. 2016-04, An Ordinance to Amend Chapters 11-4 and 11-7 of the Ordinances for the Town of Sullivan's Island to require all wheels off of the pavement when parking on Sullivan's Island, except where otherwise posted, carried unanimously.**

### **3. Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Langley, to have Second Reading, by Title Only, Ordinance No. 2016-05, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 25 Sections 1, 2, 14, 16 and 17 to Increase the Stormwater Utility Fee for Residential and Commercial Parcels.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Middaugh, to Amend Chapter 25 Section 14A to change the first sentence to read: Computation of Stormwater Management Utility Fee for Commercial Property, carried unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Howard, to have Second Reading, by Title Only, Ordinance No. 2016-05, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 25 Sections 1, 2, 14, 16 and 17 to Increase the Stormwater Utility Fee for Residential and Commercial Parcels, as amended, carried unanimously. A Special Meeting of Town Council will be held on August 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to have Third Reading and Ratification of this Ordinance.**

### **4. Motion was made by Councilmember Middaugh, seconded by Councilmember Church, to have First Reading, by Title Only, Ordinance No. 2016-06, An Ordinance to Amend Zoning Ordinances Regarding Stormwater Management Regulations for Residential and Non-Residential Development: Sections 21-17 "Stormwater Management", carried unanimously.**

## IV. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:

### 1. Administrator's Report

#### General and New Correspondence –

- Ward Lasso, Correspondence regarding dock permit for 2802 Jasper Boulevard.
- Tal and Valerie Askins, 2668 Jasper Boulevard, Note of appreciation to Corporal Nelson Gerena.
- Mary Pringle, Island Turtle Team, The July 2016 Newsletter is presented as information. Turtle activity has been active thus far into the season.
- Hal Currey and Margaret Schachte, 1768 Atlantic Avenue, sent a letter to Council regarding the Junior Officers' Quarters on Middle Street.
- Joanne Winchester, 2720 Brooks Street, also sent a letter to Council regarding the Junior Officers' Quarters on Middle Street.

Town Hall and Police Station Building- An OAC meeting was held on July 12, 2016. The furniture order has been placed with delivery date set for not before September 21<sup>st</sup>. Tentative telephone and I.T. service is set to cut over between September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> with occupancy on September 26<sup>th</sup>. The Town processed pay application twelve from Hill Construction in the amount of \$363,012.82. Total earned to date less retainage is \$2,925,299.18 with \$1,116,872.55 as balance to finish.

Parking Plan –The South Carolina Department of Transportation has approved the proposed parking plan and encroachment permit. The contractor has signed the contract and been given the notice to proceed. Materials have been ordered; construction is set for August.

Causeway Sign- Further discussion has been moved to the Land Use and Natural Resource Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 21, 2016.

Stormwater Management- Discussion of Text Amendment 21-17 to provide Stormwater Management plans for any lot fill, building addition or increase of impervious surface 625 square feet or more will be held by the Land Use and Natural Resource Committee meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2016.

Boards and Commissions- The expiration of several terms on various boards and commissions will occur in September 2016:

- Board of Zoning Appeals: 2 seats (Brasher, Timmons)
- Election Commission: 1 seat (Scott)
- Tree Commission: 2 seats (Cagle, Flaherty)
- Design Review Board: 4 seats (Ilderton, Wright, Craver, Webb)

**2. Mayor's Report**- No items to report.

**3. Attorney's Report** – No items to report.

**4. Boards and Commissions Reports** – This was discussed during the Administrator’s Report.

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS- DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Finance Committee** – Mayor O’Neil. Monthly report rendered.

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

Committee Meeting- The next Land Use and Natural Resource Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

**Administration Committee** – Councilmember Howard. Monthly report rendered.

Boards and Commissions Applications- First draft of the applications are now complete. Councilmember Howard requested feedback from Council to be submitted to him along with Town Administrator Benke by the end of July.

**Water and Sewer Committee** – Councilmember Middaugh. Monthly reports rendered.

Committee Meeting – The next Water & Sewer Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

State Revolving Fund Loan- The final approvals for the I & I Phase II project will be available towards the end of August.

Middle Street Water Treatment Site- The site is undergoing major transformation. Demo work will begin on Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup> and a new fence is scheduled for mid-August.

**Public Safety Committee** – Councilmember Clark. Monthly reports rendered.

Automatic Aid Agreement- The Sullivan’s Island Fire Department currently has an automatic aid agreement with the Town of Mount Pleasant for their District 1 to help in times of need. Sullivan’s Island currently has a mutual aid and also an automatic aid with Isle of Palms from their 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to our Station 28<sup>th</sup> for drownings and boat calls, because Breach Inlet is so wide. Sullivan’s Island Fire Chief Stith along with Isle of Palms Fire Chief Graham would like to extend their automatic aid agreement so that both Islands are provided with extra man power for fire calls. Our agreement would extend to the Isle of Palms Connector. This agreement also helps with the ISO Rating.

**Recreation Committee** – Councilmember Church.

Battery Gadsden Cultural Center – Councilmember Church asked Councilmember Middaugh to report. Battery Gadsden Cultural Center is pleased to announce that Nick Butler will be speaking on August 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

**Public Facilities Committee** – Councilmember Smith. Monthly report rendered.

Station 26 Boat Landing- Rehabilitation work will begin within the week.

## VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Councilmember Howard, seconded by Councilmember Smith to go into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss:

1. Legal Advice- Zoning Ordinance Section 21-20 (Commercial Activity in RS District as a Permitted, Conditional, Special Exception or Prohibited Use).
2. Personnel- Boards and Commission Required Annual Training 6-29-350.
3. Legal Advice- Zoning Ordinance Section 21-114 (Appeal of Design Review Board Decisions to the Circuit Court).

Motion carried unanimously.

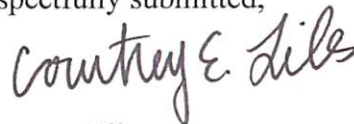
Motion was made by Councilmember Howard, seconded by Councilmember Smith to come out of Executive Session at 7:49 p.m., carried unanimously.

Mayor O'Neil stated that no votes or actions were taken during Executive Session.

## VII. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilmember Howard, seconded by Councilmember Church, to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Courtney Liles