

Minutes

City Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Miles Community Center. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Mayor William L. "Bo" McMillan and Members of City Council, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Mayor William L. "Bo" McMillan, Mayor Pro-Tem Patricia Phillips (6:30), Council Members: Terry Davis, Carolyn Wilson, Jo Sanders, George Hardwick and Linda Schiavo; City Attorney Robert Corley, Street Supervisor Tarus Gilchrist, Revel Rogers, Laura Mooneyham – Pee Dee Coalition, Sean Flynn – Thomas & Hutton, Naaem McFadden, Public Access TV and many others.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order and welcomed all present. Mayor McMillan asked Street Supervisor Tarus Gilchrist to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Council Member Wilson gave the invocation.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Mayor McMillan stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the regular scheduled meeting for April 2014.

3. Approval of Agenda: Council Member Davis made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Council Member Schiavo seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Consent Agenda:

(a) Approval of Minutes March 11, 2014 – City Council Meeting

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Council Member Wilson made a motion to approve the Minutes for the City Council Meeting held on March 11, 2014. Council Member Davis seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

(b) Approval of Minutes March 25, 2014 – Special City Council Meeting

Council Member Davis made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Special City Council Meeting held on March 25, 2014. Council Member seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

(c) Approval of payment of monthly bills

Council Member Davis made a motion to approve the payment of the monthly bills. Council Member Schiavo seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

5. Old Business:

(a) Final Reading of Ordinance #14-003, "An Ordinance to Sell Real Property located at East McIntyre Street, Mullins, South Carolina 29574": Council Member Hardwick made a motion to accept the Final Reading of Ordinance #14-003, "An Ordinance to Sell Real Property located at East McIntyre Street, Mullins, South Carolina 29574". Council Member Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

(b) Final Reading of Ordinance #14-004, "An Ordinance to Sell Real Property located at NE Front Street, Mullins, South Carolina 29574": Council Member Schiavo made a motion to accept the Final Reading of Ordinance #14-004, "An Ordinance to Sell Real Property located at NE Front Street, Mullins, South Carolina 29574".

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Council Member Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. New Business:

(a) Introduction of Ordinance #14-005, "An Ordinance Amending the City of Mullins, Nuisance Ordinance, Division 2, Rank Growth, Yard Waste / Section 10-38.Costs": Mayor McMillan asked City Administrator Hudspeth to briefly explain Ordinance #14-005. Hudspeth explained Ordinance #14-005 is needed to include the cost of the service. Hudspeth stated the cost is \$75.00 per hour for lots not requiring the use of a tractor and \$95.00 for lots that require the use of a tractor. Cost for a title search is \$175.00. Council Member Davis asked how the City would notify the owner of the property. Hudspeth stated the Ordinance has been published in the paper and that is required yearly. A letter is then sent to the property owner and they have 7 days to cut the lot and if it is not cut the City will then cut the lot and the charge will be placed on the property owners taxes. Council Member Wilson asked if the letter would be sent by regular mail or by certified letter. Mayor McMillan asked City Attorney Bob Corley what would be in the City's best interest. Corley responded Certified Mail. Member Hardwick made a motion to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #14-005, "An Ordinance Amending the City of Mullins, Nuisance Ordinance, Division 2, Rank Growth, Yard Waste / Section 10-38.Costs". Council Member Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

(b) Introduction of Ordinance #14-006, "An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 13-14 Capital Fund Annual Budget for the City of Mullins to Reduce Capital Revenues & Expenses": City Administrator Hudspeth stated the reason the change is necessary is because money was included in the Capital Fund Budget to cover the expenses for the Capital Fund Projects. The money is no longer needed

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in those line items because those bills will be paid directly by the County. Hudspeth stated there was an increase in the appropriation from the City's reserves for City Hall Renovations. The City will incur charges for change orders, sound system, asbestos removal, and furnishings. Those additional items total around \$250,000.00. The revised Capital Budget is \$383,000.00.

Council Member Schiavo made a motion to accept the First Reading of Ordinance #14-006, "An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 13-14 Capital Fund Annual Budget for the City of Mullins to Reduce Capital Revenues & Expenses". Council Member Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

(c) Bid Opening – Old Brick Warehouse: Mayor McMillan recognized City Administrator David Hudspeth. Hudspeth stated that Sean Flynn with Thomas & Hutton prepared the initial assessment on the Old Brick Warehouse. He also prepared the specs for the demolition including the asbestos and lead paint removal. He also advertised the bid in the paper. Hudspeth presented the Mayor and Council with the Bids for the Demolition of the Old Brick Warehouse. Council Member Davis opened each bid and Mayor McMillan read the name of each bidder along with their bid. Hudspeth stated the apparent low bidder is Complete Demolition Services, LLC. (\$182,200.000). Hudspeth stated he would be in contact with Mr. Flynn to go over the bids.

(d) Award of Contract for SCDOT Approved Street Signs: Hudspeth noted the City was awarded money from the C-Fund last year to purchase new street signs. The City received bids from Industrial Sign & Graphics and Hi-Tec Signs. The low bidder was Industrial Sign & Graphics (\$31,092.73).

Council Member Davis made a motion to accept the bid from Industrial Sign & Graphics for \$31,092.73. Mayor Pro Tem Phillips seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

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(e) Laura Mooneyham – re: Pee Dee Coalition Funding: Mayor McMillan recognized Laura Mooneyham. Ms. Mooneyham briefly explained that Pee Dee Coalition advocates for the victims of domestic violence, child abuse, and sexual assault. The Coalition provides safe houses for victims, prevention programs, training education, and an alternative violence program. Ms. Mooneyham stated on behalf of the Pee Dee Coalition she was requesting the financial support of \$500.00. Mayor McMillan stated Council would take the request under advisement.

7. Committee Reports:

Administrative – Mayor McMillan/City Administrator Hudspeth

Street-Sanitation/Library – Mayor Pro Tem Phillips

Animal Control/Tree – Chairwoman Davis

Drainage – Chairwoman Wilson

Mayor's Report – Mayor McMillan

Finance/Fire/Insurance – Chairman Hardwick

Police – Chairwoman Schiavo

Recreation/Museum – Chairwoman Sanders

Mayor McMillan recognized City Administrator David Hudspeth. Hudspeth stated the City Hall project has a contract move in date of late July. Hudspeth stated that the design work has started on the Recreation Master Plan and the grant application will be submitted in May. Hudspeth also stated budget requests have been turned in by Department Heads. Council workshops for the Budget will be scheduled for May. The 2012-2013 Audit will begin after tax season and will be concluded prior to the end of the Budget year. There will be a meeting next week with FEMA for reimbursement for storm expense. Mayor McMillan asked what the status is with the billboards. Hudspeth stated he had been working with Adam's Outdoor and 5 locations have been identified for billboards.

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8. Comments:

Mayor McMillan stated there were no comments.


Mayor McMillan wished everyone a Happy Easter and asked that everyone keep Council Member Sanders in their prayers.

9. Adjournment: Council Member Hardwick made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Schiavo seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.



William L. "Bo" McMillan
Mayor

ATTEST:



Felicia S. Turner, Interim City Clerk