

**Minutes
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. in the Raymond Pridgen Auditorium. 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, Council Members: Terry Davis, Carolyn Wilson, Eddie Kitchen, Robert Woodbury, City Attorney Robert Corley, Police Chief Mike Bethea, Fire Chief Robert Stetson, Jerry Jacobs, Virgil Slagle, Cynthia Ford, Public Access TV, and many others.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Mayor McMillan called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

Fire Chief Robert Stetson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Council Member Carolyn Wilson.

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 July 11, 2017.

3. Approval of Agenda: Council Member Woodbury made a motion to approve the Agenda. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

4. Consent Agenda:

- (a) Approval of Minutes – June 13, 2017 – City Council Meeting
- (b) Approval of Monthly Bills

Council Member Wilson made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

5. Old Business: Mayor McMillan stated there was no Old Business.

6. New Business: Mayor McMillan state there was no New Business.

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7. Committee Reports:

Police – Council Member Terry Davis
Fire – Mayor Pro Tem Pat Phillips
Recreation – Council Member Jo Sanders
Street/Sanitation – Mayor Pro Tem Pat Phillips
Finance – Council Member Carolyn Wilson

Fire Chief Robert Stetson noted the new Fire Tanker was available outside of City Hall for viewing after the meeting. Stetson stated he and Ray McCormick went to Ocala, Florida for the final inspection of the truck before the delivery. Stetson stated their would be light refreshments after the meeting to show his gratitude to City Council.

Mayor McMillan stated the TV 8 show will be held Thursday at 10:30. The show will consist of the new Fire Truck and Street Sweeper.

Semi-Finals for Recreation will begin tomorrow.

8. Comments:

- (a) Cynthia Ford – Marion County Department of Juvenile Justice
Re: Upcoming Events for Marion County Youth

Mayor McMillan recognized Cynthia Ford. Ford stated she had been with the Department of Juvenile Justice since 2008. Ford stated there was an increase in criminal activity. Ford would like the support of Council for positive activities in the community. There will be a Job Fair at Carolinas Hospital on August 5th from 10-12 PM. Ford asked that the City participate in the job fair. Council Member Wilson asked when the increase in criminal activity began. Ford stated the beginning of the school year.

Council Member Woodbury noted the Dream Center is now open at 146 N Main Street. The center offers many classes, such as, science, computer graphics, and arts and crafts. Mayor Pro Tem Phillips has been volunteering her time. Hours are 8-4. Woodbury thanked Council for their support.

- 9. Adjournment:** Council Member Woodbury made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.

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**William L. McMillan
Mayor**

ATTEST:

**Felicia S. Turner
City Clerk**

**City Council Meeting
August 8, 2017
New Business Item (a)**

Consideration of a request from the South Carolina Department of Transportation to remove Hampton Circle (S-34-128), a portion of Smith Street (S-150) and a portion of Dead End Street (S-268) from state maintenance.

A description of the streets and recommended actions are listed below.

Hampton Circle: Hampton Circle connects to a portion of Front Street that was transferred to the city several years ago. Because the street no longer has access to a state maintained street, the Department of Transportation is requesting the city take over maintenance of the street.

Portion of Smith Street: This portion of Smith Street is used exclusively as an access to the parking area for the Mullins Nursing Center. The Department of Transportation is requesting to transfer ownership and maintenance responsibilities to the Carolina Hospital System. The city has the right to accept the street into the city's system, but that that would require future maintenance by the city of the street that has no value to the general public. I recommend the city allow the Carolina Hospital System to accept ownership of the street.

Portion of Dead End Street: This portion of Dead End Street is used exclusively as an access to the parking area for Sopakco, Inc. The Department of Transportation is requesting to transfer ownership and maintenance responsibilities to Sopakco. The city has the right to accept the street into the city's system, but that that would require future maintenance by the city of the street that has no value to the general public. I recommend the city allow Sopakco to accept ownership of the street.

**REQUEST FOR REMOVAL
FROM STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM
(REVISED 11/2013)**

DESCRIPTION OF SECTION OF ROAD TO BE REMOVED

COUNTY: Marion ROAD NUMBER: s-34-128 ROAD NAME: Hampton Cir

LENGTH TO BE REMOVED: 0.22 MILES

BEGINNING POINT: 0.00 ENDING POINT: 0.22

DESCRIPTION: (PLEASE ATTACH LOCATION

Extending from Front Street(City owned Street) in a northerly direction to it's termini

ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY BY OTHER ENTITY OR PERSON

IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ROAD BE REMOVED FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM. OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF THIS ROAD WILL BECOME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ENTITY LISTED BELOW. IF THIS ENTITY IS NOT A GOVERNMENT ENTITY, A LETTER FROM THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY STATING THAT THEY REFUSE TO ACCEPT MAINTENANCE OF THE DESCRIBED ROAD SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THIS FORM.

YES NO

IF YES IS CHECKED AND THE ENTITY OR PERSON BELOW CEASES TO UTILIZE THIS PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES, THEN EITHER THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUST BE COMPENSATED FAIR MARKET VALUE BY THE ENTITY OR PERSON OR THE PROPERTY WILL REVERT TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WHO WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE-ENTER AND TAKE POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY FREE OF ALL RESTRICTIONS AND RESTRAINTS.

NAME/ENTITY: City of Mullins
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

TITLE: City Administrator
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

NOTE TO DISTRICT ENGINEERING ADMINISTRATOR:

THIS COMPLETED FORM AND MAP SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO:

SCDOT DIRECTOR OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING
955 PARK STREET - ROOM 501, P.O. BOX 191
COLUMBIA, S.C. 29202



S-128 no longer connects to the state system and we want to know if the district will approach the city or county about taking this on. This occurred when a portion of S-41 was removed in 2005 that caused the disconnect. T



South Carolina
Department of Transportation

PO Box 986
Marion, SC 29571

July 25, 2017

Mr. David Hudspeth
City of Mullins
PO Drawer 408
Mullins, SC 29574

RE: Request of Removal of Road S-150 Connection(a portion of Smith St)

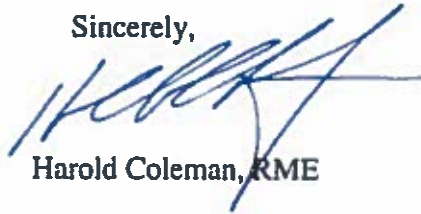
David:

SCDOT wishes to transfer ownership and maintenance responsibility of S-34-150 Connection(a portion of Smith St) from Smith St to SC RTE 41 to Carolina Hospital System, Mullins Nursing Center. Our review of this road indicated it is within a fenced area and used as parking lot for the Nursing Center.

I am writing to inform you that the City of Mullins has the right of first refusal of the above road according to the law (Section 57-5-80). As such, we are requesting a written response from the City within 30 days from the date of this letter if it desires to exercise the first right of refusal. If we do not receive a reply within this timeframe, we will consider this as a refusal to accept maintenance of the roadway, and SCDOT will proceed to transfer ownership and maintenance to Carolina Hospital System, Mullins Nursing Center.

If you have any questions, please call me at 843-431-1130 or email me at colemanh@scdot.org.

Sincerely,



Harold Coleman, RME



Can you verify that we have S-34-150 Connection in the correct location? This looks like a parking lot



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RE: Request of Removal of a Portion of Road S-268(Dead End St)

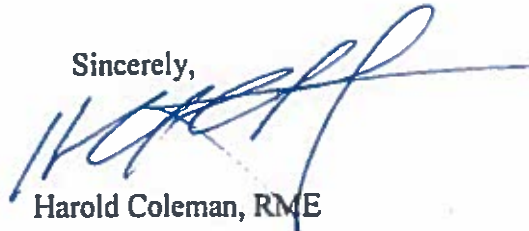
David:

SCDOT wishes to transfer ownership and maintenance responsibility of a portion S-34-268 (Dead End St) from a point on Dead End to its termini to SOPAKCO, Inc. Our review of this road indicated this portion is within a fenced area and used as parking lot for SOPAKCO, Inc.

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Based on a field inventory, the portion of S-268 in Red is gated. Can you let me know what our position is on this—did we put up the gate or should district pursue getting the owners to take on this portion of our road?