

**Minutes
Court Committee Meeting
Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

The Court Committee Meeting was held Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. in the Raymond Pridgen Auditorium. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Committee Chairman Robert Woodbury, Council Members Pat Phillips, and Eddie Kitchen, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Committee Chairman Robert Woodbury, Council Members Pat Phillips, and Eddie Kitchen, Captain Phil Mostowski, Attorney Brad Richardson, Magistrate Dan Barker.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Committee Chairman Woodbury called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Committee Chairman Woodbury stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the Court Committee meeting for July 24, 2018.

3. Re: Discussion of Mullins Municipal Court

Committee Chairman Woodbury recognized Felicia Sawyer, City Clerk/Court Clerk. Sawyer gave a brief summary of options the City could go over in reference to Court. They included: Public Defender, Judge, Bond Court Judge, and Victim's Advocate. Captain Mostowki gave his input as well.

Chairman Woodbury recognized Attorney Brad Richardson. Richardson gave a summary of what he could offer the City. He also made note of the changes that have come down from the Chief Justice concerning Public Defenders. Richardson has offered to do those services in exchange for Health Insurance.

Chairman Woodbury recognized Magistrate Dan Barker. Barker also gave a summary of the services he could offer the City. He stated he would be able to conduct regular court on Wednesdays as well as every third rotation on weekends.

Chairman Woodbury excused Richardson and Barker.

Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion do discuss salaries.

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Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to Return to Open Session. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

Chairman Woodbury stated no action was taken.

Chairman Woodbury stated the Committee would make the following recommendations to full Council:

- Appoint Magistrate Dan Barker as Mullins Municipal Judge
- Appoint Brad Richardson as Public Defender
- Marion County Sheriff's Department will assume Victim's Advocate Services
- Appoint Felicia Sawyer as ministerial recorder for Bond Court / Warrants

4. Adjournment:

Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Robert Woodbury
Court Committee Chairman

ATTEST:

Felicia J. Sawyer
City Clerk