

# CITY OF MULLINS

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## City Council Meeting Raymond Pridgen Auditorium Tuesday, November 8, 2022 6:00 P.M.

### A G E N D A

1. **Call Meeting to Order & Welcome:** Mayor Woodbury  
**Pledge of Allegiance:**  
**Invocation:**
2. **Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act:**
3. **Approval of Agenda:**
4. **Consent Agenda:**
  - (a) Approval of Minutes - October 7, 2022 - Fire Committee Meeting
  - (b) Approval of Minutes - October 11, 2022 - City Council Meeting
  - (c) Approval of Minutes - October 27, 2022 - Fire Committee Meeting
  - (d) Approval of Monthly Bills
5. **New Business:**
  - (a) Resolution #22-009, "A RESOLUTION TO PRACTICE AND PROMOTE CIVILITY IN THE CITY OF MULLINS"
6. **Executive Session:** Contractual - Re: Gapway Street Building
7. **Return to Open Session**
8. **Committee Reports:**
9. **Mayor's Report**
10. **Comments:**

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## RESOLUTION #22-009

### PLEDGING TO PRACTICE AND PROMOTE CIVILITY IN THE CITY OF MULLINS

**WHEREAS**, a recent national survey found that 93% of Americans believe that incivility is a problem, with 68% considering it a “major” problem and 74% believing that incivility is increasing in America;

**WHEREAS**, the Mullins City Council and the governing body of the City of Mullins of Mullins, South Carolina, recognizes that robust debate and the right to self-expression, as protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, are fundamental rights and essential components of democratic self-governance;

**WHEREAS**, the Council further recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas and viewpoints is necessary to the health of the community and the quality of governance in the Municipality;

**WHEREAS**, the Members of Council, as elected representatives of the community and stewards of the public trust, recognize their special role in modeling open, free and vigorous debate while maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to publicly declare its commitment to civil discourse and to express its concern for the common good and well-being of all of its residents, the Council has determined to adopt this resolution,

#### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

The City of Mullins pledges to practice and promote civility within the governing body.

The elected officials of the Council enact this civility pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of the City of Mullins.

This pledge ensures all communication — both spoken and written — to be open, honest and transparent as this is vital for cultivating trust and relationships.

This pledge ensures mutual respect to achieve municipal goals, recognizing that patience, tolerance and civility are imperative to success.

This pledge ensures opportunities for finding common ground and engaging in civil discussion to seek solutions while actively listening and thoughtfully participating.

**ADOPTED IN REGULAR MEETING** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

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**ATTEST:**

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Felicia J. Sawyer, City of Mullins