

**Minutes**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Mayor Robert L. Woodbury and Members of City Council, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Mayor Robert L. Woodbury, Council Members: Mayo Phillips, Eddie Kitchen, Terry Davis, Kindra Brewton-Pompey, Albert Woodberry, Interim City Administrator Holly Jackson, City Attorney Bob Corley, City Clerk Felicia Sawyer-Norton, Chief Mike Bethea, Special Events Coordinator Oglaretta White, Captain Shawn Lee, Building Official Curtis Richardson, Jermain Wright, Museum Curator Ronda Bain, and many others.

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

Captain Shawn Lee gave The Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey gave the invocation.

Mayor Woodbury read the Civility Pledge.

**2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act:** Mayor Woodbury stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the regular meeting for May 9, 2023.

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

Council Member Terry Davis made a motion to accept the Approval of the Agenda. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

**4. Consent Agenda:**

- (a) Approval of Minutes – April 6, 2023 – Police Committee Meeting
- (b) Approval of Minutes – April 10, 2023 – Fire Committee Meeting
- (c) Approval of Minutes – April 14, 2023 – City Council Meeting  
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- (d) Approval of Minutes – April 25, 2023 – Budget Workshop Meeting  
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- (e) Approval of Minutes – May 2, 2023 – Budget Workshop Meeting  
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- (f) Approval of Monthly Bills

Council Member Eddie Kitchen made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Council Member Davis seconded the agenda.

**5. Old Business:**

- (a) Final Reading ORDINANCE NO. 23-004, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4 ORDINANCE 18-005, "AN ORDINANCE TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY OF COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES REGARDING DEPARTMENT CONTROL AND PERSONNEL ACTIONS TO DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR".

Council Member Mayo Phillips made a motion to accept the First Reading of "ORDINANCE NO. 23-004, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4 ORDINANCE 18-005, "AN ORDINANCE TO DELEGATE CERTAIN AUTHORITY OF COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES REGARDING DEPARTMENT CONTROL AND PERSONNEL ACTIONS TO DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR". Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey seconded the motion. Council Member's Albert Woodberry, Kindra Brewton-Pompey, and Eddie Kitchen nayed the approval of Ordinance 23-004. The Ordinance did not pass.

**6. New Business:**

- (a) 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2023-005, "AN ORDINANCE TO BUY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 600 NORTH MAIN STREET MULLINS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29574, TAX MAP #403-04-02000000".

Council Member Eddie Kitchen made a motion to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2023-005, "AN ORDINANCE TO BUY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 600 NORTH MAIN STREET MULLINS, SOUTH CAROLINA 29574, TAX MAP #403-04-02000000". Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey seconded the motion.

- (b) 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2023-006, ""ORDINANCE 23-006, SECTION 2-39 OF ARTICLE 3 – CHAPTER II TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024"

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- (c) Curtis Richardson, Building Official – Proposed Fee Schedule Change

Mayor Robert Woodbury recognized Curtis Richardson. Mr. Richardson gave an overview of proposed fee changes to the City Ordinance Code.

Mayor Woodbury explained to Council that the State Treasurer receives 88.84% of fine monies.

- (d) Recommendation to Expand Downtown District

Mayor Woodbury recognized Special Events Coordinator Oglaretta White. Ms. White gave an overview of the Downtown District. The proposed expansion would extend down to Laurel Street.

Council Member Kitchen made a motion to Expand the Downtown District to Laurel Street. Council Member Phillips seconded the motion.

**7. Mayor Report's:**

Mayor Woodbury stated Pastor Tyler Blue will be on the Green Space for Gospel on the Green on May 18-19. This is presented by Mullins First Baptist Church, Little Pee Dee Baptist Association, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Pack and Go Shopping will be held on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**8. Executive Session: Personnel**

Council Member Davis made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

**9. Return to Open Session:**

Council Member Davis made a motion to Return to Open Session. Council Member Brewton-Pompey. No action was taken.

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**10. Committee Reports:**

Museum Curator Ronda Bain announced the Reverend Simmons Exhibit. Bain stated RJ Reynolds would be giving a presentation tomorrow. Bain stated she would be going to Hamer to the Welcome Center on Thursday for Tourism Week.

Council Member Albert Woodberry noted the ditches in District 2 are being cleaned.

Council Member Terry Davis stated Council is in the middle of FY Budget 23-24. The monthly reports are included in the packet.

There are transitions going on now for House Demolition.

Captain Shawn Lee stated the Fire Department received a BE SAFE GRANT in the amount of \$13,350.00. This will purchase Rescue/Extrication equipment and be used for Autism Awareness. Fire drill is being held at the old Praise Temple Church on Hwy 76. ACT Students have been invited to the June Council Meeting.

Council Member Kitchen spoke about the Police Department Buddy System.

Jermaine Wright was recognized from Recreation Department. Wright stated there are 275 kids attending Baseball this year. There are 7 baseball, 6 softball, and 5 t-ball teams.

Council Member Terry Davis stated Juneteenth would be honoring Carl Brunson. Services for Mary Lois Gerald will be held this Saturday.

**11. Adjournment:**

Mayor Woodbury made a motion to adjourn.

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Mayor Robert L. Woodbury

ATTEST:

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Felicia Sawyer- Norton