Minutes City Council Meeting Tuesday, September 12, 2023

The regular meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, September 12, 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, Mayor Pro-Tem Carolyn Wilson, Council Members: Mayo Phillips, Eddie Kitchen (6:25), Terry Davis, Kindra Brewton-Pompey, Albert Woodberry, City Administrator Holly Jackson, City Attorney Bob Corley, Clerk Felicia Sawyer-Norton, Chief Mike Bethea, Special Events Coordinator Oglaretta White, Building Official Curtis Richardson, Michael Hayes, Lt. Justin Turner, and many others.

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

Building Official Curtis Richardson gave The Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson 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 September 12, 2023.

Mayor Woodbury made a motion to amend the agenda to include, RESOLUTION 23-012, "A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR FITNESS COURT® AS PART OF THE 2023 NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN". Council Member Mayo Phillips seconded the motion.

3. Approval of Agenda:

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

4. Consent Agenda:

(a) Approval of Minutes – August 8, 2023 – City Council Meeting

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- (b) Approval of Minutes August 17, 2023 Special City Council Meeting
- (c) Approval of Minutes August 20, 2023 Board of Zoning & Appeals Minutes
- (d) Approval of Minutes August 25, 2023 Police Committee Meeting Minutes
- (e) Approval of Monthly Bills

5. Old Business:

(a) Final Reading of ORDINANCE 2023-009, "AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AND ESTABLISH A STORMWATER UTILITY WITHIN THE CITY OF MULLINS".

Council Member Eddie Kitchen made a motion to accept the Final Reading of ORDINANCE 2023-009, "AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AND ESTABLISH A STORMWATER UTILITY WITHIN THE CITY OF MULLINS". Council Member ______ seconded the motion.

(b) Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 23-011, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.12.010" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MULLINS".

Council Member Terry Davis made a motion to accept the Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 23-011, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 9.12.010" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MULLINS". Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson seconded the motion.

(c) Resolution 23-012, "A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR FITNESS COURT® AS PART OF THE 2023 NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN".

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6. New Business:

Mayor Robert Woodbury recognized Special Events Coordinator Oglaretta White. Ms. White gave an overview of the 5k Run and Local BBQ/Bog Off. A Letter of Understanding will be needed to move forward. Mayor Robert Woodbury made a motion for the letter of understanding. Council Member Terry Davis seconded the motion.

7. Committee Reports:

Council Member Mayo Phillips stated the Museum report was included in the packet. Phillips stated Museum Curator Ronda Bain has been scanning old Council Minutes. Mullins is listed as a tourism attraction. October 19th there will be an Oyster Fest/Cigar Bar located at Lions Park.

Council Member Albert Woodberry thanked Curtis Richardson for getting the cars moved off of Park Street.

Council Member Terry Davis stated there will be a Finance meeting in October. Davis also thanked Mr. Richardson and Tarus Gilchrist for the housing letters that were mailed. On behalf of Pick 42 thanks was given to the Recreation Department. The BAM program has been offering exercise classes to seniors at the Park Street Gym.

Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey stated there will be a Real Estate/Homebuyers Event at the Junior High School on September 16th at 10:00 AM. Thanks was given to Tarus Gilchrist for the cleanup after the storm.

Council Member Eddie Kitchen apologized for being late. Kitchen stated Police Committee minutes are included in the packet. Kitchen state Mason Hasbrouck graduated on Friday and will now begin his 9 weeks of training.

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8. Mayor Reports:

Mayor Robert Woodbury stated the Homecoming parade will be Thursday. The Alumni parade will be held on Saturday. The Golden Leaf Festival will be September 23rd. National Night Out is September 26th.

Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson noted the Lead Program which is similar to DARE. Mayor Pro Tem Wilson stated Chief Mike Bethea would be retiring soon and thanked him for his years of service to the City of Mullins.

Council Member Mayo Phillips stated the City was awarded a \$75,000.00 façade grant from the HealthCare Foundation.

Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey stated the equipment at the recreation department is out of date and needs to be replaced. There is also a need for a water fountain at the Gapway Complex. City Administrator Holly Jackson stated the water fountain has been ordered.

Mayor Woodbury noted the following events:

- National Night Out September 26th @ 6:00 PM on the green space
- Palmetto Alumni September 16th
- Golden Leaf September 23rd beginning at 10:00 AM
- Tele Health Nichols Library September 21st

Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson stated there is a need for more parking at the Gapway Recreation Complex. The Storm Water Ordinance was passed. Street / Sanitation Director Tarus Gilchrist will be traveling to Miami Florida to look at a Vactor Truck.

Council Member Terry Davis noted the Housing Authority drainage. Gilchrist stated the storm drain was put there by the Federal Government. There will be a meeting set up with Kathy Cribbs.

Gilchrist stated the department is looking for a Garbage Truck Driver.

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9. Comments:

(a) Pee Dee Coalition – Linda Adams Re: Domestic & Sexual Violence No show

10. Executive Session: Personnel

Council Member Mayo Phillips made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Eddie Kitchen seconded the motion.

11. Return to Open Session:

Council Member Mayo Phillips made a motion to Return to Open Session. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

There was no action taken.

12. Adjournment:

Council Member Kindra Brewton-Pompey made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Wilson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

	Mayor Robert L. Woodbury
ATTEST:	
Felicia Sawyer-Norton, Clerk	