

**Minutes
Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2015**

A special meeting of the Finance Committee was held Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 3:30 P.M. in the Raymond Pridgen Auditorium. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Members of the Finance Committee, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Chairman George Hardwick, Council Member Jo Sanders, Council Member Carolyn Wilson, City Administrator David Hudspeth.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Chairman Hardwick 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: Chairman Hardwick stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the Finance meeting scheduled for October 27, 2015

3. Re: Travel Policy / Reimbursement of Expenses: Chairman Hardwick stated after the meeting today maybe full Council should be involved in this discussion. Hardwick stated City Administrator Hudspeth has pulled all information concerning travel since last December. Hardwick recognized City Administrator Hudspeth. Hudspeth stated the bulk of the Mayors expenses are mostly mileage reimbursements. Hudspeth also stated there were various items that were purchased on the Mayors personal credit card for City Hall supplies in which he was reimbursed. Hardwick stated the Mayor should not get paid for mileage inside the City, but he will get paid for anything outside the City limits. Hudspeth stated as long as there are funds in the budget travel is allowed. Council could however put a limit on the amount of travel. Council Member Wilson asked if there were any other Council Members that have travel reimbursements. Hudspeth stated there may be a few classes that Council Members attend including the Annual Meeting. Wilson also asked if anyone was getting reimbursed for trips to Marion and Florence. Hudspeth stated no Council Member had asked for reimbursement for those trips. Wilson stated she didn't have to do a travel reimbursement for any meeting because that is something she wants to do. Wilson noted money had been budgeted in the past for things that have not yet been replaced. Wilson also noted in order to get things for the City some things should be cut and it should start with Council. Hudspeth stated local travel stopped back in February. Council Member Sanders

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stated the problem was the amount paid to the current Mayor compared to Mayors in the past. Hudspeth suggested budgeting travel individually in future budgets. Sanders asked what all the travel was accomplishing. Does it bring businesses to Mullins? Hudspeth stated there could be restrictions put on travel. Hudspeth also stated another Committee Meeting would need to be held to discuss this further.

4. Adjournment: Council Member Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Sanders seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.

George H. Hardwick
Finance Committee Chairman

Attest:

Felicia S. Turner
City Clerk