

Minutes
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. in the Raymond Pridgen Auditorium. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Mayor William L. "Bo" McMillan and Members of City Council, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Mayor William L. "Bo" McMillan, Mayor Pro Tem Patricia Phillips, Council Members: Carolyn Wilson, Terry Davis, and Linda Schiavo, Fire Chief Robert Stetson, Street Supervisor Tarus Gilchrist, Captain Joe Graham, Tarus Phillips, Linda Neal, Jason Springs, Harry Askins, Debra Buffkin, Joey Mincey, George McMillan, Tom Crowell, Boy Scout Troop #748, Public Access TV, and many others.

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

Will White led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Chaplain / Council Member Carolyn Wilson.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Mayor McMillan stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the regular scheduled meeting for January 12, 2016.

3. Approval of Agenda: Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Davis seconded the motion.

Mayor McMillan recognized City Administrator Hudspeth. Hudspeth read a letter of resignation from City Council Member George Hardwick. Hardwick will be moving. Hudspeth also noted Council Member Linda Schiavo would also be resigning due to moving to another district. Hudspeth stated a special election would be held to fill these seats.

4. Consent Agenda:

- (a) Approval of Minutes – December 8, 2015 – City Council Meeting
- (b) Approval of Monthly Bills

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Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council Member Schiavo seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

5. Old Business:

(a) Presentation from Jason Springs of Easter Engineering regarding a report on potential locations for Fire Station 3.

Mayor McMillan recognized Jason Springs from Eastern Engineering. Mr. Springs noted Harry Askins will also be available for questions. Mr. Springs stated there are 6,417 structures located in this fire district. 2,500 of the structures are inside the City and 3,900 are in the County. There are 369 structures that are more than 5 miles from a fire station. Mr. Springs stated the color coded map is broken down into 8 sections. The Fork Retch Area (Area C) is the area with the most structures and it is the most feasible for a new station. Mr. Springs suggested doing automatic mutual aid agreements with the City of Marion and Marion Rural. Mr. Springs stated there would only be about 60 structures that would not be within the 5 miles including mutual aid. Administrator Hudspeth suggested Council get together in the next couple of weeks to discuss potential locations. This would include cost and what locations may be available.

(b) 1st Reading of Ordinance 15-005, "An Ordinance Authorizing The Award, Execution, And Delivery Of An Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement By The City of Mullins, South Carolina, In An Aggregate Principal Amount of \$315,000, Relating To The Acquisition of Certain Equipment: Authorizing The Execution of Other Necessary Documents And Papers; And Matters Relating Thereto."

Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to accept the 1st Reading of Ordinance 15-005, "An Ordinance Authorizing The Award, Execution, And Delivery Of An Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement By The City of Mullins, South Carolina, In An Aggregate Principal Amount of \$315,000, Relating To The Acquisition of Certain Equipment: Authorizing The Execution of Other Necessary Documents And Papers; And Matters Relating Thereto." Council Member Davis seconded the motion.

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6. New Business:

Mayor McMillan stated there was no new business

7. Committee Reports: City Administrator David Hudspeth

Hudspeth stated progress has been made at the Library but it is not complete. The building will be able to be turned back over to the Library employees in the next couple of weeks. They will be responsible for the shelving and placing the books back in the building. Hudspeth stated the contractor is in the penalty stage so some of that money could be used for things that may be needed in the library.

Hudspeth stated the Recreation Park is now complete. There will be some light poles that need to be replaced.

Hudspeth noted Aqua City has vacated the Anvil building and the City would be working with the Department of Commerce to house a business there.

Hudspeth reminded Council it is time to complete their ethics forms.

Council Member Davis stated Economic Development along with FDTC and SC Works would be offering free 14 week course that will provide training for certain jobs in the area.

8. Comments: Mayor McMillan recognized Mr. White with Boy Scout Troop #748. Mr. White stated the Troop was present at the meeting to work on their Community Merit Badge. Mayor McMillan stated if there was any way the City could help any of the members of the troop obtain any badges, they would be more than glad to. Commissioner Roland Rich was appointed by the Council for certain Scout projects and now that he is deceased Council would need to appoint a new Commissioner.

9. Adjournment: Council Member Davis made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Schiavo seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.

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William L. McMillan
Mayor

Attest:

Felicia S. Turner
City Clerk