

**Minutes
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 9, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, October 9, 2018 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: Eddie Kitchen, Jo Sanders, Carolyn Wilson, Robert Woodbury, City Attorney Robert Corley, Interim City Administrator Holly Jackson, Police Chief Mike Bethea, Street Supervisor Tarus Gilchrist, Margaret Carroll, Jean Tower, Joy Richardson, Sylvia Cribb Grey, Dale Smith, Public Access TV, and many others.

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

Margaret Carroll led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Council Member Robert Woodbury.

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 October 9, 2018.

3. Approval of Agenda: Council Member Davis made a motion for the Approval of Agenda as presented. Council Member Kitchen seconded the motion.

4. Consent Agenda:

- (a) Approval of Minutes – August 14, 2018 – City Council Meeting
- (b) Approval of Minutes – September 18, 2018 – Special City Council Meeting
- (c) Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2018 – Administrative Committee Meeting
- (d) Approval of Minutes – September 26, 2018 – Special City Council Meeting
- (e) Approval of Minutes – October 1, 2018 – Finance Committee Meeting

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- (f) Approval of Minutes – October 3, 2018 – Fire Committee Meeting
- (g) Approval of Monthly Bills

Mayor Pro Tem Phillips made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Woodbury seconded the motion.

5. Old Business:

- (a) Francis Marion Sign

The total cost of moving and installing the Francis Marion sign would cost \$10,880.00. Street Supervisor Tarus Gilchrist stated the property where the current sign is located is owned by the property owners. Gilchrist also stated part of the sign is in the right way and Harold Coleman from DOT would need to be contacted. Sanders made a motion to table the sign until Holly Jackson contacts the property owners. Phillips seconded the motion.

6. New Business:

- (a) ORDINANCE #18-008, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MULLINS PERSONNEL POLICY AFFECTING OVERTIME PAY FOR EXEMPT EMPLOYEES DURING A DECLARED EMERGENCY OR STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE.

Council Member Sanders made a motion to accept ORDINANCE #18-008, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MULLINS PERSONNEL POLICY AFFECTING OVERTIME PAY FOR EXEMPT EMPLOYEES DURING A DECLARED EMERGENCY OR STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE. Council Member Davis seconded the motion.

- (b) RESOLUTION #18-009, RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE CITY OF MULLINS TO PROVIDING A LOCAL MATCH FOR A MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HOMETOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AND FOLLOWING ITS PROCURMENT POLICY WHEN SECURING SERVICES AND PRODUCTS WITH GRANT FUNDS.

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(c) Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Mayor McMillan recognized Ronette Genwright with Pee Dee Community Action. Genwright stated October is Domestic Violence Month. The statistics for 17-18 were 24 family victims. On an average the victim usually spends an average of 11 nights in a shelter. Genwright stated the Bad Dog Coffee Shop would be having a speakout program on October 18th from 6-8 PM. Council was invited.

(d) Enterprise Fleet Management

Sanders stated it was a recommendation from the Finance Committee to proceed with Enterprise Fleet Management. Chief Bethea stated the fleet will be replacing 6-7 Crown Vics with Dodge Durango's. The oldest vehicle in the fleet is a 2004 Crown Victoria with 200,000 miles on it.

Council Member Sanders made a motion to move forward with the leasing from Enterprise. Council Member Sanders seconded the motion.

7. Committee Reports:

Administration – Mayor Pro Tem Pat Phillips
Police – Council Member Eddie Kitchen
Fire – Council Member Terry Davis
Recreation – Council Member Carolyn Wilson
Street/Sanitation - Council Member Robert Woodbury
Finance – Council Member Jo Sanders

Interim Administrator Holly Jackson stated the following:

- The County will open a shelter on Thursday for the Hurricane.
- The City has been approved for FEMA.
- Audit will begin tomorrow.

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- The City will be offering Health Screenings to employees.

Council Member Woodbury stated during Hurricane Florence there was a strong need for the Fire Department to stand in until various counties came in to help. Chief Stetson has a team together to get certified for Swift Water Rescue. The equipment was purchased locally and will arrive tomorrow. The team will go to training next week.

8. Comments:

(a) Sylvia Cribb Gray – Re: Drainage

Mayor McMillan recognized Sylvia Cribb Gray. Gray stated her concerns for the drainage on Barnes & Valentine Street and trash pick up. Gray stated no one has cleaned out the drainage. Gray also stated she was out of her house for over a year after Hurricane Matthew. Gilchrist stated the pipes on those streets are clear. The issue comes from the County. Gilchrist also stated trash pickups are behind but should be back to normal by the end of the week. The landfill just re-opened. Sanders advised Ms. Gray to see her County Councilman Allen Floyd concerning her drainage issues. She also advised her to attend a County Council Meeting.

Council Member Davis congratulated the Street Department for their dedication and hard work during Hurricane Florence.

Mayor McMillan recognized Dale Smith – 109 Lake Street. Ms. Smith stated her house is the only one on Lake Street that floods. The sides of the road are washed away. Trash is still there from the hurricane.

Mayor McMillan recognized Joy Richardson / Tussie Mussie Garden Club. Mrs. Richardson stated her concerns for Mayers/Norton/Cederdale Cemeteries. Richardson asked Council to put together a committee for the upkeep of the cemeteries. Richardson asked the city to search for grants for the cemeteries. Many people look at those things when trying to relocate to a new town. Mayor McMillan stated city employees are not to touch any of the tombstones.

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Sanders noted the flower pots on Main Street. Gilchrist stated the irrigation does not work and hasn't in years. Sanders asked Chief Stetson if the Fire Department could water those plants.

Council Member Davis stated Homecoming is next Thursday at 4:30.

Council Member Woodbury stated there would be a Gospel Fest at Smith-Haven on October 13th from 10-2 PM. This is a community event.

Council Member Kitchen stated the Lions Club Run for Sight would also be October 13th.

9. Adjournment:

Council Member Sanders made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Wilson seconded the motion.

William L. McMillan
Mayor

ATTEST:

Felicia J. Sawyer
City Clerk