

**Minutes
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Mullins City Council was held Tuesday, October 8, 2019 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 Phillips, Council Members: Eddie Kitchen, Carolyn Wilson, Terry Davis, City Attorney Robert Corley, Interim City Administrator Holly Jackson, Willie McLain, Police Chief Mike Bethea, Roger Taylor, Fire Chief Robert Stetson, Jim Pagel, Public Access TV, and many others.

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

Mayor McMillan led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Pat Phillips.

- 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 8, 2019.

- 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:**

- Approval of Minutes – September 10, 2019 – City Council Meeting
- Approval of Minutes – September 19, 2019 – Finance Committee Meeting
- Approval of Minutes – October 1, 2019 – Special City Council Meeting
- Approval of Monthly Bills

- 5. New Business:**

- 2nd Reading of Ordinance #19-008, "AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE KNOWN AS TAX PARCEL NO. 409-04-08 IN THE CITY OF MULLINS".

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Mayor Pro Tem Phillips stated she would not like to move forward without the opinion from the Attorney General. Kitchen stated he did not want to hinder Economic Development in the City of Mullins. Mayor McMillian stated a meeting was held with Senator Kent Williams that involved the purchase of 2.5 acres of land to facilitate Tie & Timber. The City purchased that land for \$50,000.00. Davis stated the issue is not resolved and would like to address the letter before moving on.

Jim Pagel stated he had spent approximately \$650,000.00 to date on the plant. He also noted he is prepared to spend another \$2 million.

Sanders asked why the City Attorney was not involved in the transaction. Why was Joe Cox paid for the City's part?

Mayor McMillan stated the deal was falling apart and he made the decision to move forward.

Council Member Wilson made a motion to accept the 2nd Reading of Ordinance #19-008, "AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE SALES OF REAL ESTATE KNOWN AS TAX PARCEL NO. 409-04-08 IN THE CITY OF MULLINS". Council Member Sanders seconded the motion. Phillips and Davis voted nay to Ordinance 19-008. Phillips stated she did not oppose but opposed how it was handled.

6. Committee Reports

Finance Committee – Chairman Eddie Kitchen

7. Comments:

- (c) Arthur Hughes – Burning in the City
- (d) Michael Hayes – Police Department

No one showed for the comment section.

8. Adjournment:

Council Member Kitchen made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

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William L. McMillan
Mayor

Felicia J. Sawyer
City Clerk