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COUNCIL WORK SESSION

STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS-GOAL SETTING

OCTOBER 1, 2016

The Council Work Session, held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Crapps at 9:05 P. M. Members present were Mayor Crapps, Council Member O'Dell, Simpkins, Spradley and Ricard. Council Members Taylor, Cain, Penick and Wiszowaty were absent. Department Heads attending were David Padgett, Jay Hendrix, Chief Oswald, Tim Schumpert and Jeremy Driggers.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Council Member Simpkins.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was held.

WORK SESSION

Mr. Jeff Shacker with the Municipal Association of South Carolina was on hand for the goal setting session of the Strategic Planning Process, which is the first step. There will be goals, objectives and tasks associated with this process. Mr. Shacker asked each Council Member present to give their top three (3) **must dos, which are the highest priorities**. Also a **should do** and **could do** list will be made. Each Council Member gave their 3 must dos, should dos and could dos.

MUST DOS:

- 1) Economic Development
- 2) Establish a physical connection between the two downtowns.
- 3) Sponsor youth activities and have reliable long-term water and wastewater systems.

SHOULD DOS:

- 1) Identify new sources of revenue and enhance existing sources.

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SHOULD DOS CONT'D.:

- 2) Analyze/evaluate staffing and capital in public safety and all departments.
- 3) Develop a Capital Improvement Plan; property maintenance, nuisance codes, appearance, standards/enforcement.

COULD DOS:

- 1) Development partnerships with merchants, Chamber, County and School District to promote incentives and recruit economic development.
- 2) Work with Midlands Technical College to evaluate job skill needs in Batesburg-Leesville and offer programs that equipment youth to enter the work force; upgrade the existing parks; address current and future traffic issues.
- 3) Develop strategy for annexing; financial sustainability and stability and downtown revitalization .

Next the department heads present gave their top three (3) priorities.

- 1) Identify new sources of revenue and enhancing existing sources.
- 2) Economic Development
- 3) Reliable long-term water and wastewater systems.

Town Manager Luckadoo stated the next step is to meet with department heads and staff.

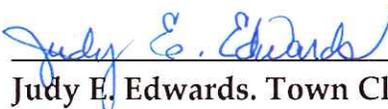
There was no motion to adjourn since Council Member Ricard had to leave early so there was no longer a quorum. The meeting was over at 11:51 A. M.

Approved this 10th day of October 2016.



Marguerite J. Crapps, Mayor

ATTEST:



Judy E. Edwards. Town Clerk