

ADOPTION OF MINUTES CONT'D.

A motion was made by Council Member DeLoach with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adopt the minutes from the April 23, 2018 Work Session. With no discussion, a vote was taken. With a show of hands, the vote was unanimous.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be June 11, 2018.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Council Member Gambrell

Council Member Gambrell reported the COG held their regular meeting which involved:

- Discussion of road grants in the Columbia area
- Discussion of changing the bus routes
- Discussion of walk along the river

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ADVISORY COMMITTEE (E. P. A. C.)

Council Member Prouse

Council Member Prouse stated they had a meeting April 18th. Discussion was held on the permitting process for the NPDES permit renewals for the lower Saluda, Broad and Congaree Rivers. The big topic of discussion was the plan update for the 208 Water Quality Management Plan. One of the things discussed was they would actually like to have each municipality/area who is represented nominate personnel to serve on a technical sub-committee. Council Member Prouse stated he had briefly spoken with Tim Schumpert in that regard and he mentioned he may be interested in serving in such a capacity if we decide to elect him to such a position.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Mayor Shull

Mayor Shull reported the meeting consisted of a Budget Work Session before the meeting for one hour. The Commission has a \$16 million budget to work with and did

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many projections out 5-10 years and even further with some of the population projects which is moving in our directions. Received an update on the water tank that is being built on Calks Ferry and Highway #1. That work is being done by Fisher Tank, a Batesburg-Leesville Company. There was a water main break in Pelion during the meeting.

B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Mike Taylor, Executive Director

Mr. Taylor reported the following:

- The Economic Development Committee set up a meeting with the SC Department of Transportation on Monday, April 30th. Those in attendance were Christy Hall, Secretary of Transportation, Representative Cal Forest, County Councilman Larry Brigham and several members of the EDC. The hour and half meeting centered on the intersections of Church Street and Mitchell Street, Highway #23 and Pine Street, and congestion in the Wal-Mart area. Also mentioned by EDC was widening #178 and Pond Branch. At the conclusion of the meeting, the EDC had a much better understanding of what SCDOT can and cannot do. A feasibility and cost projection for these intersections will be provided. We were told there were no plans at this time to pave or widen Pond Branch or four lane #178. The money from the new fuel tax will go to interstate widening, resurfacing, bridges, and safety features.
- The EDC met on May 10th at which time County Councilman Larry Brigham stated that the four lane into town is scheduled for Spring 2019. The paving of Hwy. #1 from the railroad trestle to the county line will let out in July with paving in late fall. Chester Road, Clover Road, Saber Drive, Sam Dennis, and Dixie Red Road will be paved to the highest level to prevent runoff into Hwy. #1. County Council is reviewing a Neighborhood Appearance Ordinance which would apply to neighborhoods north of #378. The Ordinance would only apply to homes within 100 feet of each other. Dr. Gary could not attend but reported via text that the Board had approved a 1.09 mil increase and also approved Matt Velasquez as the new principal at the B-L Elementary School and Coach Gary Adams as the new Athletic Director, replacing retiring Gary Phillips.

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B-L Chamber Report Cont'd.

- Arts on the Ridge has received more than \$4,500 for visual and performing arts camps this summer from businesses and a Church endowment. There will be a Spring Celebration on June 8th beginning at 6:30 at Southern Occasions where we will have a performance by Sam Phillips and items for a silent auction.
- Dream Catchers is very active having a "Summer of Excellence" plan. It will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays with proposed dates of July 9 - August 17, 2018 and proposed time from 10 A. M. - 2 P. M. Mondays will be study day at the B-L library. This will include book club, using books suggested by the schools, tutoring in reading, math and English, and skill learning games. Wednesdays will be Community and Community Service Day. Visits to local businesses, Town Hall, Post Office, Fire Department, etc. to see how our Town/businesses work. Also Community Service Projects will be done on these days. Fridays will be fun days of swimming, going to Lake Murray public beach, movies, bowling, sleep outs and cookouts at Whittle Farms, fishing, gardening, etc. This "Summer of Excellence" is possible through grants from a church.
- The SC Poultry Festival Golf Tournament, hosted by the Chamber each year, had 19 teams, a beautiful day and a great tournament.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Proclamation - B-L Elementary School Palmetto Finest Award

Mayor Shull read the Proclamation after which a motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Simpkins to approve. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

B. Proclamation - National Police Week 2018

Mayor Shull read the Proclamation after which a motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member J. Mitchell to approve. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

C. Proclamation - Poppy Day 2018

Mayor Shull read the Proclamation after which a motion was made by Council Member DeLoach with a second by Council Member Gambrell to approve. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

D. Resolution - Peachtree 23 Yard Sale

Mayor Shull read the Resolution after which a motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hallman to adopt. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

E. Approval of Contractor & Funds for Replacement of Existing Sidewalks in Town

Assistant Manager Duncan reported between 2017 and 2018, the Town was awarded \$40,000 in C-Funds to repair broken sidewalks throughout Town. These funds were allotted by the County Transportation Committee in an effort to repair old, broken sidewalks, and sections that have deteriorated due to settling. Staff compiled a list of broken and deteriorated sidewalks focusing on high pedestrian areas. This list was prioritized down to long continuous sections in the most utilized areas of Town. Two bids were received - Advantage Outdoor Services, LLC for \$150,340.00 and C. B. D., Inc for \$91,202.22. Upon Council approval, work will commence in June 2018 and be completed within 60-90 days, weather permitting. The list compiled totaled \$42,000; the Town has \$40,000 of the projected \$42,000 from Lexington County C-Funds to complete this project. Staff is requesting an allocation of \$2,000 from the Town Savings to complete the 13 sections selected for repair. Council Member DeLoach made a motion

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E. Approval of Contractor Cont'd. - Sidewalks

but withdrew her motion after which a motion was made by Council Member Prouse to select CBD, Inc. to perform up to \$40,000 in repairs to existing sidewalks and allocate an additional \$2,000 from the Town Savings for this project with a second by Council Member Gambrell. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

F. First Reading - Ordinance Rezoning 114 North Pine Street from C-1 "General Commercial" to C-2 "Office and Institutional Commercial" (Lexington County TMS #007020-06-005) was held. A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to approve. Discussion was held, after which Council Member Gambrell withdrew his motion but Council Member Hallman did not withdraw her second so a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5 Approved 4 Denied - Council Member Cain,
S. Mitchell, Prouse, Mayor

G. Discussion Regarding Formation of Hospitality Tax Public Advisory Committee

Council Member Hallman made a motion that a Public Advisory Panel shall be established to review and recommend to Council projects, ideas or initiatives to be funded by the revenue of the Hospitality Tax Fund. The panel shall be composed of 8 members, one nominated by each Council Member and approved by full Council. The Committee will be overseen by the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gambrell. Mayor Shull read the motion for a second time. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 1 No Vote - Council Member S. Mitchell

The Mayor asked that the name of each representative nominated by each Council Member be brought to the June Regular Council Meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT - Ted Luckadoo

A. Investment Sweep Account

April 25th the Town started using the Investment Sweep on the General Fund and the Utility Fund and swept for roughly 5 days. The General Fund was sweeping a little over \$1.3 million and in the 5 day time period earned \$174 in interest. The Utility Fund started at the same time and was sweeping approximately \$2.3 million and earned \$297.70 in interest making a total combined interest earned of approximately \$472. This is more interest we see in an entire year in the previous old bank structure. The interest rate is .80%.

B. Ridgell Street Water Tank Improvements

The work on the Ridgell Street Water Tank finished May 4th and after filling the tank all of the water samples passed. The tank is in full operation at this time. The tree trimming was done and the fencing is to go back up this week around the water tank.

C. CDBG Sewer Lift Station Improvements

This grant was received from Lexington County. The control panels and shop drawings for these lift stations have been returned to AAA Utilities, all submittals have been made, the by-pass pumping submittals have been approved and all the materials for those have been ordered. AAA Utilities has met with staff at each of the pump station sites to expose the existing piping to verify sizes. Work is scheduled to begin the week of May 14th on the pump stations.

D. May Work Session

Since Monday, May 28th is a holiday for the Town, the Council Work Session is rescheduled for Tuesday, May 29th. This will be a budget work session.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member J. Mitchell to go into Executive Session at 8:18 P. M. to discuss:

A. Contractual Matters Relating to Advanced Disposal Contract

B. Possible Contractual Matters Relating to the Water Project

After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

*****Return to Regular Council Session*****

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to return to the Regular Council Meeting at 8:57 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken by the show of hands.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

POSSIBLE ACTIONS BY COUNCIL IN FOLLOW UP TO EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING - June 11, 2018

Council Member Cain - Twin City Park

Council Member Simpkins - Names of the representatives from each Council District to serve on the Hospitality Tax Public Advisory Panel be submitted.

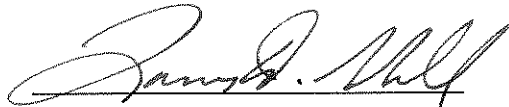
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ADJOURNMENT


A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member DeLoach to adjourn at 9:00 P. M. With no discussion a vote was taken by a show of hands.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 11th day of June 2018.


Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:


Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk