In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, the news media and the public was notified of the time, date, and place along with a copy of the agenda of this meeting and a notice was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the Batesburg-Leesville Town Hall and the Town's website no later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

MARCH 11, 2019

Mayor Shull opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 P. M. to receive citizen input on *An Ordinance Amending the Animal Control Ordinance to Reflect Changes made to Lexington County.* Since no one appeared before Council, Mayor Shull closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 P. M.

Mayor Shull opened the next Public Hearing at 7:02 P. M. to receive citizen input on *An Ordinance Re-Zoning Two Parcels of Property Located NE of Mitchell Street from R-1 "Single Family Residential" to C-2" Office and Institutional Commercial. Lexington County TMS #5900-06-025 Consist of 13.77 Acres and TMS #5900-06-026 Consist of .73 Acres for a Total of 14.50 Acres.* Bob Hall stated he lives close to the property and has concerns about issues relating to traffic, quality of life and safety of the students. He asked that it be sent back to the Re-Zoning Committee to do a Impact Study. Brian Eleazor stated he owns a home adjacent to the property and also had concerns about what the use of the property will be once re-zoned. He said he was interested in this town growing, but smart growth. He stated that his family is opposed to this re-zoning. Harvey Sauls stated not based on anything said tonight, the family has decided to withdraw their request for re-zoning at this time. He said that it was found that some of the property is not annexed in the town; therefore, if we go through with the reading tonight we would be back requesting to annex the other property. No one else appeared before Council, Mayor Shull closed the Public Hearing at 7:11 P. M.

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville, held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Shull at 7:12 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Member Gambrell, Whittle, Prouse and Hallman. Council Member Etheredge, Cain, Simpkins and Mitchell was absent.

#### INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Carroll Hoover.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was lead by Council Member Gambrell, retired veteran.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Hallman with a second by Council Member Prouse to approve the agenda with the removal of the second reading on the re-zoning request for two parcels of property. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to adopt the minutes from the February 11, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

Vote:

5 Approved

0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hallman to adopt the minutes from the February 25, 2019 Council Work Session. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

Vote:

5 Approved

0 Denied

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting would be April 08, 2019.

### CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Council Member Gambrell

Council Member Gambrell stated Ted will have information, very important for Batesburg-Leesville in his update. He also stated that on the north side of the Saluda River from Johnny W. Jeffcoat Walkway to the Three Rivers Greenway at the Riverbanks Zoo is project that will be a \$10.5 new pathway, it will be a nice walking trail.

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

### **Council Member Prouse**

Council Member Prouse reported there was no meeting this month.

# JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Mayor Shull

Discussion was had on the Micro Plastic Report that had come out recently.

# B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Mike Taylor, President

- The Relay For Life/Chamber dance, "Crusin' for a Cure" will be this Friday at T&S Farms beginning at 7:00 PM. Tickets are available at the chamber and will be available at the door. Tom Ledbetter, Midlands Technical College, will be our speaker at our monthly membership meeting.
- The Arts on the Ridge will have a 2019 Summer Camps for Choral, Performing Arts, Visual Art Programs.
- The Batesburg-Leesville Ministerial Alliance will host the Community Good Friday Service at Wittenberg Lutheran Church on April 19th from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. The service is structured so that those attending can come and go as their schedule dictates.
- Information received from County Councilman Larry Brigham from our board meeting and email that I received today US1 four lane widening project into Batesburg-Leesville has been delayed until Summer/Fall of 2019 due to cable in the roadway design. DOT has mailed a letter to Quest asking them to relocate their cable or sign off that it's not in the roadway. According to Tevia Brown (SCDOT program manager for US 1 widening) this is the only utility left that's preventing the project from moving forward Horse Creek/Hollow Creek bridges on Hwy 378 are expected to be completed Winter 2020 I-20 six lane expansion from MM49-60 has been delayed due to drainage design. DOT engineering has redrawn the design plans and construction is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2020 Three sub-divisions (in my district) have been permitted to build homes: Finlay Farms Phase 1 (122 lots), Rocky Springs (82 lots), Springhill Lake Phase 3 (84 lots). All three are located in School District 1. SCDOT data shared with the COG on February 28 revealed 65% of SC highway accidents occurred on 35% of the roadways. "Per Federal rules COG's shall have

their Policy Committees formally adopt and set either the State's or their own safety targets through Long Range Transportation Plan amendment and provide SCDOT a letter confirming such action." As a representative of Lexington County Council and as a member of the Central Midlands COG Rural Transportation Advisory Board my focus is on rural road safety. The number of fatalities and number of serious injuries on rural roads has to greatly reduce. - The 4.2 mile stretch of W. Columbia Avenue/E. Columbia Avenue approved to be resurfaces has a bid cost of \$1,805,000. He has emphasized the fact that the road from Oswald Lumber to Broad Street will not be paved until the widening of Highway #1 reaches that point.

- Dream Catchers have been busy, one thing they are involved in now is the Highway 23 Peachtree Yard Sale which is the first weekend in June.
- Thanked Patricia Saeed for helping with a project to send letters to all the new businesses in town and thanking them for their investment in our community and to let them know that the town and the chamber are here if they need anything.

### PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Bob Hall requested to address council on utility lines.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Second Reading on an *Ordinance to Amend the Animal Control Ordinance to Reflect Changes by Lexington County* was held. A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Prouse to approve the amendment. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

B. Second Reading on *Approval of Funds Related to Relocation of Sewer Line in Alley in Downtown Leesville District* was held. A motion was made by Council Member Whittle and seconded by Council Member Prouse to approve the funds to relocate the sewer line in the Downtown District of Leesville. After a brief discussion by Council, Brent Shealy owner of Economy Furniture was asked to addressed council on this request. Mr. Shealy stated that he would give the town an easement for the entire alleyway, for maintenance and repair. Manager Luckadoo stated cost of relocation was \$28,760. A motion was made by Council Member Whittle and seconded by Council

Member Prouse to withdraw their motion. A motion was made by Council Member Whittle and seconded by Council Member Prouse to approve the funds after the town has the easement for the alleyway, vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

C. Second Reading on *Approval of Funds Related to Relocation of Water Line Along Pershing Street and Skyline Drive* was held. A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell for discussion only, no second motion died for lack of second.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Proclamation -** *Autism Awareness Month of April* **2019**. Mayor Shull read the Proclamation after which a motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to approve. Council Member Whittle introduced a family to council in which their child is a very active member of Dream Catchers after which a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

**B.** Proclamation - Parkinson's Awareness Month of April 2019. Mayor Shull read the Proclamation after which a motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to approve, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

### MANAGER'S REPORT - Ted Luckadoo

- A. Survivor Coin Presentation Presented by Lexington County EMS, Council Member Magen Hallman will do the presentation. Council Member Hallman stated that each year Lexington Council has 600 to 800 cardiac arrest out of those about 20 were discharged neurological intact and it is because of the First Responders. Captain Bobby Hallman, Lt. Dustin Crapps, Firefighter Blake Shealy and Firefighter Dylan Rice. We have some members that are not present they are Asst. Chief Shane Summer, Asst. Chief John Gall, Lt. Chris Hallman and Firefighter D.J. Attaway. So far this year we have had six people go home from the hospital, because of their efforts this is possible.
- B. Due to the length of the Manager's Report, the attached is an official part of the minutes for March.

**C.** Fire Department End of Year Presentation - Chief Jay Hendrix presented 2018 year-end report.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Discussion of Contractual Matters Relating Inspections Services for the Town
- B. Discussion of Contractual Matters Relating to the Selection of Consulting Firm to Perform Water Project Alternative Study
- C. Discussion of Contractual Matters Relating to the Selection of Consulting Firm for Master Plan Study

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hallman to go into Executive Session at 8:27 PM. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

## Return to Regular Council Meeting

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hallman to return to Regular Council Meeting at 9:13 PM. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

### POSSIBLE ACTIONS BY COUNCIL IN FOLLOW-UP TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Possible Action for Matters Relating to Building Inspection Service for the Town - A motion was made by Council Member Whittle with a second by Council Member Hallman to approve a 60 day contract between Safebuilt and the Town to provide building inspections. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

**B.** Possible Action for Matters Relating to Selection of Consulting Firm for Water Project Alternative Study - A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hallman to select Hayes and Sawyer Engineering Firm to perform the Water and Sewer Alternative Study for the town. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

C. Possible Action for Matters Relating to Selection of Consulting Firm for Master Plan Study - A motion was made by Council Member Hallman with a second by Council Member Whittle to select the Land Plan Group for the Master Plan Study. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

# POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR APRIL 08, 2019 MEETING - None

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Council Member Hallman with a second by Council Member Prouse to adjourn at 9:16 PM. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:

5 Approved

0 Denied

Approved this 08th day of April, 2019.

Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tudy F. Edwards Town Clerk