

ADOPTION OF MINUTES CONT'D.

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Etheredge to adopt the minutes of the June 10, 2020 Special Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Prouse to adopt the minutes of the June 22, 2020 Council Work Session. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hall to adopt the minutes of the June 24, 2020 Special Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be August 10, 2020.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS – Council Member Hall

Council Member Hall reported there was a virtual meeting held June 25, 2020 with 29 participants. There was an extensive agenda and the major issues addressed were:

- Approval of the budget for the coming fiscal year in the amount of \$14,209,523, which is the actual operating budget. There were some comments about the approval of the budget with the stipulation that salary increases included in the budget were subject to further review before they were implemented.
- Extensive discussion on the new transportation route from the Elgin-Lugoff area to Camden, which will be fully funded by the CARES fund for two years. After the two years Kershaw will fund 50% and other funding is unknown. Costs for long-term service ranges from \$206,000 to \$274,000 annually dependent upon the number of daily trips and days of service.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Council Member Prouse**

Council Member Prouse reported there was no meeting in June.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION – Mayor Shull

Mayor Shull reported no meeting was held in June and the next meeting will be in August.

B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Mike Taylor, President

No report since Mr. Taylor was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Appointment of a Representative to Serve on the Comet Advisory Board

Council Member Mitchell nominated Council Member Cain to serve on the Comet Advisory Board with a second by Council Member Lemon. Council Member Hall made a motion that the nominations come to a close; without any objections the nominations were closed. With no further discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

NEW BUSINESS

MANAGER'S REPORT – Jay Hendrix, Assistant Town Manager

Due to the absence of Town Manager Luckadoo, Assistant Town Manager Hendrix gave the Manager's Report.

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MASC ANNUAL MEETING

- As a reminder, if any Council members plan to attend the online virtual MASC Annual meeting, you need to register now on the MASC website.
- The event is this Friday, with the business meeting starting at 9:00am, followed by streaming sessions.
- Once you register for the event, an email with instructions for participating will follow.

FY 2019/2020 AUDIT

- Council was provided a letter in the weekly report this past week from our new Auditors (McGregor & Co.).
- They are expected to be onsite at Town Hall the week of August 10th to begin their auditing process. They are expecting to have it completed and ready for presentation to Council by the end of October.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT

- We had reported that we were moving forward with scheduling National Night Out for August 5th, with a movie night to follow. Based off feedback our Police Department has received from partnering agencies, it was decided to cancel/postpone the event until later in the year, due to COVID-19.

**Council Member Cain arrived during the above presentation.*

CENSUS 2020

- As of 7/9/20, here are the updated statistics for Census 2020:
 - National Response – 62% (Up from 60.7% last meeting)
 - South Carolina – 56.4% (Up from 55.5%) (42nd out of 52 States/Territories)
 - Lexington County – 63.8% (Up from 63%) (4th out of 46 counties)
 - Saluda County – 46% (Up from 45.5%) (38th out of 46 counties)
 - Batesburg-Leesville – 55.9% (Up from 55.2%) (68th out of 271 cities/towns, 67th last month)
 - Batesburg-Leesville – 68% (2010 total response % for the Town)

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2020 LEXINGTON COUNTY "C" FUND PROJECT

- The sidewalk contractor has now completed the sections of sidewalk along North Peachtree Street.
- The contractors on Wednesday removed the old sidewalk on Charleston Avenue and poured the new sidewalk on Thursday.
- The contractor is unavailable this week due to a family issue but will return soon to repair small sections of sidewalk (West Columbia Avenue, North Oak Street, Summerland Avenue) to spend the remaining funds that were available after the bid process. These additional sections were approved by Lexington County Engineering in June.
- We also spoke with school district officials and asked if they would install new bumper stops in the side parking lot of the district office to avoid people driving over the new sidewalk, except where the entrance and exit points are. They agreed to do so and are getting those installed.
- The roadway contractor was on site today on Brookwood Drive repairing the 40'x 8' section of the road.

NORTH LEE STREET & LIVINGSTON LANE SEWER PROJECTS

- Both the North Lee Street and Livingston Lane sewer lines as a part of this project have been completed.
- We should be holding a project close out meeting soon with the contractor to wrap this completely up.

➤ **BRODIE PUMP STATION CDBG PROJECT**

- ❖ Project Description – Installation of new pumps, replacement of electrical system, installation of SCADA and monitoring equipment, and replacement static bar screens at Brodie Mill Pump Station.
- ❖ Status – Construction
- ❖ Est. Completion Date – July 2020
- ❖ Est. Cost – \$279,700
- ❖ Grant Funds - \$240,000 (CDBG – Lexington County)
 - **We have received the final electrical shop drawings and the contractor is awaiting the delivery of the magnetic flow meter, ultrasonic level indicator, surge valve, and motor control center.**
 - **Once those items are received, the contractor can begin work on the installation of all this.**

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- **To date, with rain and the new pumps, the town pond continues to remain full or only inches low, but when pumps are running it fills back up.**

➤ WWTP CDBG LIQUID CHEMICAL FEED SYSTEM PROJECT

- In this past weeks Weekly Report, it was reported that this project, due to aerator equipment failure in basin #1 at the WWTP, may get postponed until the next round of CDBG funding, and that the funds for this will be redirected to the aeration equipment and getting basin #1 back online fully and likely with floating aeration.
- CDBG and HUD officials have agreed to this change due to changes in current priorities.
- SCDHEC officials also don't want to see the rotating disc and shafts remain and want to see the plant transitioned to floating aeration.
- You can see this past week's weekly report for further details.

The Town Monthly Financial Updates were placed at each Council Member's seat.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

POSSIBLE ACTIONS BY COUNCIL IN FOLLOW UP TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

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POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING – August 10, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Hall to adjourn at 7:17 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

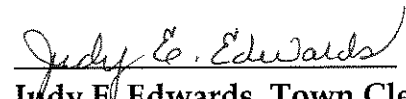
VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 10th day of August 2020.



Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:



Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk