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## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 26, 2016**

Mayor Crapps called the Special Council Meeting to order at 6:33 P. M. Members present were Mayor Crapps, Council Member Taylor, O'Dell, Cain, Simpkins, Penick and Ricard. Council Member Spradley and Wyszowaty was absent.

Also in attendance were department heads, Tim Schumpert, Jeremy Driggers, Wallace Oswald, David Padgett and Jay Hendrix.

## **INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Council Member Simpkins.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was held.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council Member Penick with a second by Council Member Simpkins to approve. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:                      7 Approved                      0 Denied

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Approval of Funds and Contractor to Perform Remediation of Wellington Elevated Water Tank**

As part of the SCDHEC Consent Order issued to the Town in 2013, it calls for the remediation of all 3 elevated water tanks in Town. The Granite Street Water Tank has undergone remediation and according to the consent order, the Town's timeline to complete remediation of the Wellington Tank is the 2016 calendar year. On August 13, 2015 the County of Lexington awarded the Town \$125,000 in CDBG funds to utilize towards the remediation of the Wellington Tank. Southeastern Tank & Tower was the low bidder in the amount of \$127,480.00. Staff requests Council approve funding up to

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\$23,000 for the remediation of the Wellington Elevated Water Tank and award the construction bid to Southeastern Tank & Tower. A motion was made by Council Member Penick with a second by Council Member Simpkins to approve funds up to \$23,000 and award the construction bid to Southeastern Tank & Tower. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:                      7 Approved                      0 Denied

**B. Approval of Funds and Contractor to Install New Water Distribution Lines on Bobcat Road**

Utilities Director, Tim Schumpert stated to date 8 residents have submitted the necessary applications and fees for water service connection to the Town's water distribution system. The recommended bid amount is \$74,750.00, which is \$5,230.00 over the collected fees and previously approved Town funding of \$53,211.33. The directional drill requirement by SCDOT added \$21,000, which increased the bid over the original estimate. Therefore, Utility Staff is requesting approval of an additional \$5,230.00 to fund the Bobcat Road project. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor with a second by Council Member O'Dell to award the bid to Lake Murray Utilities and approve an additional \$5,230.00 for the project. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:                      7 Approved                      0 Denied

**C. Approval of Funds and Contractor to Install New Water Distribution Lines on Bob Sharpe Point**

Tim Schumpert stated the low bid received is \$90,293.00, which is \$67,013.00 over the collected fees of which only 12 residents submitted the necessary applications and fees. Previously, Council approved \$19,000 to fund Bob Sharpe Point water line project. Based on the low bid received, \$48,013.00 of additional funding is required to award the project. Funding for the project was previously approved to be utilized from the Impact Fee and Utility Reserve Account. Additional funds are necessary to cover unexpected costs associated with rock excavation and water service connections. Based on review of the bids and conversations with the bidding contractors, we recommend postponing



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any additional funding until further geotechnical exploration can be performed to confirm the amount of rock in the area. A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member Penick to table based on the administrative recommendation. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE:                      7 Approved                      0 Denied

### **MANAGER'S REPORT - Ted Luckadoo**

#### **A. Identification of Funds for Amended Town Manager Contract**

At the October 10, 2016 Regular Council Meeting, Council Member Wiszowaty asked if funds could be identified for the 7% increase in salary for the remainder of this year's budget. Manager Luckadoo stated since the pay increase is occurring at the completion of the 4th month in this current fiscal year, that means \$3,332 is needed for the remainder of the year. He recommended for the remainder of this year to pull the \$3,332 from the Police Department Salary & Wages and employer paid contributions since these line items are \$26,640 under budget due to 6 vacancies over the course of the past two months.

#### **B. Federal Surplus Donation of MRAP Vehicle to the Town**

Chief Oswald reported the Police Department has been awarded a federal surplus 1033 Program MRAP with no cost to the Town. This is an International truck that's armored and does not require any special parts. The cost to transport the vehicle from California to B-L is \$6,200,00. There will be no cost to the Town since this money was raised through donations from Shealy's BBQ, Wiz's Eatery, Berwick-Offray, Palmetto Propane, Oswald Lumber, Oswald Movers, Walmart, and Fisher Tank.

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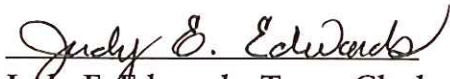
## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member Penick to adjourn at 7:00 P. M. All members in favor.

Approved this 14th day of November 2016.

  
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Marguerite J. Crapps, Mayor

## ATTEST

  
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Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk

## WORK SESSION

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The Work Session was held immediately following the Special Council Meeting and was called to order by Mayor Crapps at 7:00 P. M. Members present were Mayor Crapps, Council Member Taylor, O'Dell, Cain, Simpkins, Penick and Ricard. Council Member Spradley and Wiszowaty were absent.

## FURTHER DISCUSSION ABOUT THE STRATEGIC PLAN & PRIORITIES/GOALS

The majority of the time was spent discussing the Hospitality Tax. Additional facts are to be provided by the Town Manager to Council so they can be looked at objectively.


Also discussed were future traffic needs on Highway #23, Highway #1, Main Street, Pine Street, #178 & Highway 23.

Discussion was held on buying water from Newberry.

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Penick with a second by Council Member Taylor to adjourn at 7:27 P. M. All members were in favor.

Approved this 14th day of November 2016.

  
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Marguerite J. Crapps, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk