

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

July 10, 2017

Mayor Crapps opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 P. M. to receive citizen input regarding an *Ordinance to Rezone a Parcel of Property at 140 North Carolina Avenue from C-1 "General Commercial" to C-2 "Transitional Commercial," Lexington County TMS #005918-04-009.* With no one appearing before Council Mayor Crapps closed the Public Hearing at 7:01 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 Crapps at 7:01 P. M. Members present were Mayor Crapps, Council Members Taylor, Cain, Simpkins, Penick, Spradley, Ricard and Wiszowaty.

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 Taylor with a second by Council Member Penick to approve the agenda. During discussion, Council Member Taylor withdrew her motion to approve the agenda and Council Member Penick withdrew his second. Council Member Wiszowaty made a motion to remove from the agenda the first reading on an *Ordinance to Provide for a Local Hospitality Tax on the Sales of Prepared Food and Beverages* with a second by Council Member Ricard. Council Member Wiszowaty stated the reason for the removal is he really doesn't think the approach we are taking is done in the correct way right now. He thinks Council needs to take a little more time, step back, get a committee together, put some projects together, bring the projects with cost analysis back to Council and know what we are voting on and where the money is going to go and how it is going to be spent.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONT'D.

This further study would be done in workshops and in a timely fashion. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Wiszowaty with a second by Council Member Spradley to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2017 Regular Council Meeting. Being no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 1 Denied - Council Member Cain

A motion was made by Council Member Wiszowaty with a second by Council Member Penick to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2017 Special Council Meeting. Being no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 1 Denied - Council Member Cain

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crapps reported the next Regular Council Meeting would be August 14, 2017.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Vacant

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

Council Member Penick

Council Member Penick stated EPAC was suppose to have a meeting this week but they cancelled.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Council Member Penick

Council Member Penick stated there was no meeting in June and for lack of agenda items will not have a meeting in July.

B-L Chamber of Commerce - Mike Taylor, Executive Director

- The Economic Development Committee changed their meeting date from the 1st Thursday of each month to the 2nd so they would follow the Town Council and School District Three Trustee meetings.
- County Councilman Larry Brigham reported they have finished the budget process and there would be a small increase in taxes. Homeowners (4%) would receive an increase of \$1.66 per \$100,000 and businesses (6%) would receive an increase of \$2.50 per \$100,000. He reported the county had two parties strongly interested in the B-L Industrial Park.
- School District Three closed a successful 2016-2017 school year.
- Manager Luckadoo gave a report on the Town Council Work Session, an update on the Strategic Plan, Phase One of the water project and a brief overview of the proposed Hospitality Tax.
- Reported he had attended a meeting at the SC Chamber of Commerce where an SCDOT update was given. The update centered on the Rural Roads Safety Program, pavement conditions, bridges to be replaced and interstates to be widened. Reported on the tour he and Council Member Simpkins had of the Boeing Plant in Charleston.
- Reported the Chamber and Lexington Medical Center held a free Heart Health Screening at the Chamber on Wednesday, June 14th from 7:30 until 10:00 A. M. where thirty-eight citizens were screened.
- Two committees that were formed under the Chamber over two years ago are very active and are seeking their own 501-3 (c) status, the Dream Catchers and Arts on the Ridge.
- A ribbon cutting was held on June 9th for Havana's Cuban Eatery and a ribbon cutting is scheduled for Trey Bruner's Edward Jones Investments on July 17th from 5:00 until 7:00 P. M.

Council Member Simpkins made a motion to go into Executive Session for discussion of his appointment to the Economic Development Committee by vote of Council. Legal Counsel stated since Executive Session was on the agenda, this matter may also be discussed in that Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The second reading on an *Ordinance to Rezone a Parcel of Property Located at 140 North Carolina Avenue from C-1 "General Commercial" to C-2 "Transitional Commercial," Lexington County TMS #005918-04-009* was held. A motion was made by Council Member Wiszowaty with a second by Council Member Penick to adopt. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

NEW BUSINESS

A. Captain Goss, who retired at the end of May, was honored with both South Carolina Senate and House Resolutions for his 25 years of public service in law enforcement. Senator Katrina Shealy and Representative Cal Forrest presented framed copies of the individual Resolutions to Captain Goss.

B. Mayor Crapps read a *Resolution to Recognize the Batesburg-Leesville Lions Club for their Contributions to the Town and 90 Years of Community Service*. A motion was made by Council Member Spradley with a second by Council Member Penick to adopt. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

C. **Appointment of Central Midlands Council of Government Representative**
Council Member Simpkins made a motion to appoint Council Member Taylor which was seconded by Council Member Spradley. Council Member Taylor stated due to a number of things she has going on right now and the fact that her term will be up in November, she would like to withdraw her name for appointment. Council Member Taylor made a motion to nominate Seth Duncan with a second by Council Member Wiszowaty. Manager Luckadoo stated he has spoken with Central Midlands and was advised that the vacant municipal seat should be filled by a Council Member. However, if a consensus cannot be reached with regards to a Council Member appointment, Council may appoint the Town Manager to the seat temporarily. Council Member Taylor withdrew her motion and Council Member Wiszowaty withdrew his second to her motion. Council Member Simpkins made a motion to appoint Council Member Cain with a second by Council Member Spradley. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

Appointment Cont'd.

VOTE: 4 Approved 4 Denied - Council Member Taylor, Penick
Ricard, Mayor Crapps

There are four votes in the affirmative and four votes in the negative. The negative has it and the motion is lost.

D. Approval of a Contractual Agreement Between Lexington School District Three and the Town of Batesburg-Leesville Relating to the School Resource Officer Program

A motion was made by Council Member Spradley with a second by Council Member Wiszowaty to approve the Agreement. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 1 Denied - Council Member Cain

E. First Reading on an Ordinance to Provide for a Local Hospitality Tax on the Sales of Prepared Food & Beverages

This was removed by vote from the agenda

MANAGER'S REPORT - Ted Luckadoo

Manager Luckadoo reported that National Night Out will be August 1st from 5:00-8:00 at Leesville College Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Discussion of Personnel Matters

A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member Penick to go into Executive Session at 7:44 P. M. for the discussion of personnel matters.

With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 2 Denied - Council Member Cain,
Council Member Wiszowaty

A motion was made by Council Member Spradley with a second by Council Member Wiszowaty to return from Executive Session with no action taken. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

Vote: 8 Approved 0 Denied

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

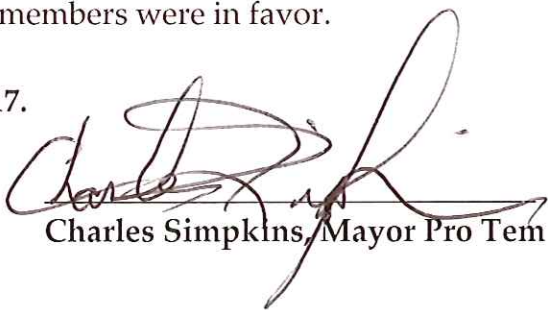
POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR AUGUST 14, 2017 MEETING

1. Council Member Simpkins stated he would like to place on the agenda for next month a Request by Ministerial Alliance to host their annual back-to-school prayer meeting for the students, teachers, staff and community at the Haynes Auditorium on August 22nd with fees waived.
2. Council Member Cain stated he would like to have on the agenda Council's two minutes for District reports.
3. Council appointment for the COG.

ADJOURNMENT

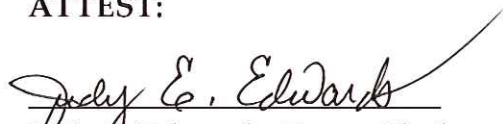
A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member Spradley to adjourn at 7:58 P. M. All members were in favor.

Approved this 14th day of August 2017.



Charles Simpkins, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk