

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.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

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 7:00 P. M. Members present were Mayor Crapps, Council Member Taylor, Cain, Simpkins, Penick and Ricard.

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. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 0 Denied

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor with a second by Council Member Penick to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2017 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5 Approved 1 Denied - Council Member Cain

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crapps reported the next Council Meeting would be December 11, 2017.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Ted Luckadoo, Town Manager

Manager Luckadoo reported there was a meeting October 26th at which time the Board approved the revised FY 2018 Budget to update grant awards received from the State. The Board tabled the idea of a Resolution calling for the completion of the V. C. Summer Nuclear Facility. The Board approved the Central Midlands Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The COG staff along with EngenuitySC developed a new five year CEDS plan as required by the US Economic Development Administration (EDA). This plan ensures the COG's ability to receive EDA funding/grants that foster job creation and attract private investment with an emphasis on supporting economically distressed areas. For informational purposes, the COG staff briefed the Board on helpful information for residents and their families in long-term care facilities.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ADVISORY COMMITTEE (E. P. A. C.)
Council Member Penick**

Council Member Penick reported for the first time in many months they had a meeting and he missed it.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Council Member Penick

Council Member Penick reported there was a meeting this past Wednesday with two items on the agenda. Instead of an audit, they received their CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) and as usual the Commission is doing very well with money. Lastly, their Christmas Party will be held November 30th at the Embassy Suites and all Council Members, old and new, are invited to attend. Invitations are to be mailed out.

B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Mike Taylor, President

Mr. Taylor reported the following:

- The Economic Development Committee met Thursday, November 9th at Midlands Technical College campus. Ted Luckadoo presented the Town Report.

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- Dr. Gary reported on the Leadership Lexington Three Tour of the schools. All feedback from those attending was extremely favorable. The district is planning another tour in the spring. B-L Elementary School has applied for the Palmetto's Finest Award. This award recognizes a few schools which offer excellent instruction and outstanding leaders, augmented by strong family and community involvement and a supportive business community. The Primary and Elementary schools are a part of TransformSC. TransformSC schools and districts are designing, launching, promoting and proving transformative practices in the classroom.
- County Councilman, Larry Brigham, reported council has approved funding for 23 lights for the entrances to the Industrial Park with landscaping being next.
- The Chamber reported that a Ribbon Cutting would be held at QC Supply at 11:00. The Annual Chamber Banquet will be Thursday, November 16th at T&S Farms beginning at 7:00 P. M. Todd Carnes, former lead Pastor of Radius Church, Lexington Town Councilman and General Manager of SouthernMED Pediatrics will be the guest speaker. The Ministerial Alliance will host the Thanksgiving Community Service at St. Matthews CME Church located at 214 S. Lee Street on November 19th at 6:00 P. M. The 2017 Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting will be Sunday, December 10th beginning at 5:30. There is a committee meeting in the morning at the Chamber and all information will be shared by social media, paper, etc. later this week.

Mr. Taylor thanked Mayor Crapps and the present Council for allowing them to be here and give these reports and the working relationship that they have had with the Town.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. First Reading on the *ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR the Town of Batesburg-Leesville for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to Add a New Position in the Fire Department* was held. A motion was made by Council Member Penick with

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a second by Council Member Ricard to approve. With no discussion, a vote was taken.
VOTE: 6 Approved 0 Denied

B. Acceptance of Results from the November 7, 2017 Election

Attorney Spradley read the certified results from the Lexington County Election Commission for the November 7, 2017 General Election and Special Election for District 6 and District 8. The successful candidates are:

Mayor - Lancer Shull
Council 1 - Linda DeLoach
Council 3 - Steve Cain
Council 5 - Shirley Etheredge Mitchell
Council 7 - Jason Prouse
Special Election Council 6 - Jim Mitchell
Special Election Council 8 - Magen Hallman

Attorney Spradley reported there will be a run-off in District 2 on November 21st since no one received more than 50% of the votes.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor with a second by Council Member Ricard to accept the results from the Lexington County Election Commission. After discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 4 Approved 2 Denied - Council Member Cain, Simpkins

C. Recognition of Outgoing Council Members

Mayor Crapps along with Council Member Taylor, Penick, Ricard and O'Dell were recognized for their service and presented plaques by Mayor Shull. Council Member Spradley and Wiszowaty, outgoing Council Members for District 6 and District 8, were absent for the proceedings.

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D. Swearing In of Council Members from the November 7, 2017 Election

The Oath of Office was administered before the recognition of the outgoing Council.

Attorney Spradley administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Shull, Linda DeLoach, Steve Cain, Shirley E. Mitchell, Jim Mitchell, Jason Prouse and Magen Hallman. After each received the Oath of Office, they took their respective seat on Council.

MANAGER'S REPORT - Ted Luckadoo

Manager Luckadoo stated he had no report for tonight.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Simpkins requested to go into Executive Session to discuss Ordinance #2017-7-Section 6. Since this was not posted on the agenda twenty-four hours before the meeting for the public and press to see, according to law, Executive Session could not be held.

POSSIBLE ACTIONS BY COUNCIL IN FOLLOW UP TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR DECEMBER 11, 2017 MEETING

A motion was made by Council Member Cain with a second by Council Member Simpkins to place the Anti-Littering Campaign on the agenda for December 11, 2017. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member Cain to place Ordinance #2017-7-Section 6 on the agenda for discussion December 11, 2017. Being no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

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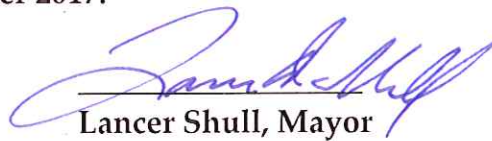
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ADJOURNMENT

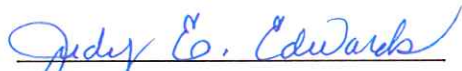
A motion was made by Council Member Simpkins with a second by Council Member DeLoach to adjourn at 7:44 P. M. Being no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 11th day of December 2017.


Lancer Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:


Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk