

— South Carolina —
SPRINGDALE

MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 4th, 2021 at 6:00 pm

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting. A quorum was present.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Juston Ricard, Councilmembers Fecas, Hallman, Hook and Wilkerson.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Mayor Bishop and Councilmember Reeley

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Eden, Chief of Police Andrew Richbourg, Police Captain Chris Manuel, Attorney Ward Bradley, Attorney Sierra Carini, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, Officer Matthew Young, Officer Matthew Hagins, Code Enforcement Officer Ed DeVore, SRO Rodriguez, Investigator Jordan.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Ricard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was present. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard provided the invocation. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Agenda.
- B. Approval of Minutes.
 - i. April 6th, 2021 Regular Meeting
 - ii. April 19th, 2021 Work Session

Council voted unanimously to approve the agenda for the May 4th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, the minutes for the April 6th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting and the minutes for the April 19th, 2021 Work Session.

III. Employee Recognitions

- A. Springdale Police Department Employee of the Month. Chief Richbourg recognized Code Enforcement Officer Ed DeVore and Officer Matt Hagins as Employees of the Month. Chief Richbourg cited Officer DeVore's diligence and consistency in his work as reasons for his nomination. Chief Richbourg stated that Officer Hagins was selected as Officer of the Year in the 2020 DUI Enforcement Awards from the S.C. Department of Public Safety's Office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs.

IV. New Business

- A. Discussion and Consideration of a Text Amendment to the Springdale Zoning Ordinance **O-21-03**; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SPRINGDALE ZONING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 2: DESIGN OVERLAY DISTRICT SEC. 2.8.3. PROHIBITED USES OF THE DESIGN OVERLAY DISTRICT. (1st Reading) Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its first reading.
- B. Discussion and Consideration of **ORDINANCE O-21-04**; AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A TOWN OPERATING BUDGET, ITS EXECUTION AND EFFECT, FOR

THE FISCAL PERIOD JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022. (1st Reading) Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its first reading.

- C. Discussion and Consideration of **ORDINANCE O-21-05**; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE ZONING ORDINANCE MAP; TMS 005733-05-013 (LOWNSDALE ROAD); REQUEST TO CHANGE ZONING FROM C-2, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL TO R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. (1st Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its first reading.
- D. Discussion and Consideration of **ORDINANCE O-21-06**; AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND THE NORMAL OPERATING PROCEDURES OF SPRINGDALE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS AND PROVIDE FOR ELECTRONIC MEETINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (1st and Final Reading) Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance.

V. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Councilmember Fecas discussed a meeting with the Lexington Municipal Association on April 22nd, 2021 and requested that a discussion of priority projects for the American Rescue Plan funds be placed on the next Work Session agenda. She thanked everyone who was able to attend the recent DHEC meeting concerning Parrish Pond Dam.
- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg reviewed his monthly report and statistics with Council, highlighting major crimes. He stated that the department recently worked tirelessly with Richland County on a murder suspect who had charges in Springdale as well.
- C. Public Works Report. Public Works Supervisor White reviewed his monthly report with Council, covering current and future projects. He stated that the borders and monument signs have been landscaped and that he is working on obtaining bids from contractors regarding drainage issues. Supervisor White stated that he is waiting until the end of the season to pursue a possible well for the splash pad.
- D. Town Administrator Report. Administrator Watkins reviewed her report with Council, stating that the Town-owned property behind the Dollar General was closed on and the money has been received. She stated that the Kitty Hawk Sidewalk Project was not selected for CDBG funding. Administrator Watkins discussed a follow up meeting with DHEC regarding Parrish Pond Dam. She stated that the splash pad will be opening on June 1st, 2021 and discussed upcoming events including the blood drive, litter clean-up day and employee headshots.
- E. Attorney Report. Attorney Ward Bradley stated that he was pleased that DHEC seems to be addressing the concerns with Parrish Pond Dam.

VI. Adjourn to Executive Session

- A. Discussion of Personnel Matters
- B. Discussion of Board Appointments

Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn to executive session at 6:17 pm.

VII. Return to Open Session – Action may be taken regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.
Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to return to open session at 7:22 pm. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hallman, voted unanimously to appoint Margaret Hook to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a term of four years, beginning on May 4, 2021 and ending on May 4, 2025.

VIII. Public Comment

Public Comment was made by Ray Bryson and Ginger Swanson.

IX. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm.

Juston Ricard, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:

Leeann Eden, Municipal Clerk