



MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024 at 6:00 pm
2915 Platt Springs Road, Springdale, SC 29170

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

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Kelly, Chief of Police Andrew “Bear” Richbourg, Police Department Administrative Assistant Sheri Jonas, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, Patrolman Cody Day, Attorney Ward Bradley, and Attorney Sierra Carini.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Ricard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was present. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation, and Mayor Ricard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda.

B. Approval of Minutes.

- December 5th, 2023 Regular Meeting
- December 11th, 2023 Special Meeting

Council, on motion of Mayor Juston Ricard, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to amend the agenda to add Item 3: Oath of Office.

3. Oath of Office

A. Viki Sox Fecas, Councilmember

B. Steve Hallman, Councilmember

C. Cory Hook, Councilmember

Municipal Clerk Leeann Kelly issued the ceremonial Oath of Office to Councilmembers Fecas, Hallman, and Hook.

4. Nomination and Election of Mayor Pro Tempore

Council, on motion of Councilmember Hallman, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted unanimously to Elect Councilmember Jacob Wilkerson as Mayor Pro Tempore. Councilmember Wilkerson abstained from voting.

5. Employee Recognitions

A. Springdale Police Department Employee of the Quarter, Patrolman Cody Day. Chief Richbourg recognized Patrolman Day as Employee of the Quarter, citing his willingness to go above and beyond duty. Patrolman Day has recently increased his duties by assisting with field training.

6. New Business

- A. Discussion and Consideration of Final Lyn-Rich Pay App. Council, on motion of Councilmember Hook, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted unanimously to approve pay-app 15, and table a decision on pay-app 16 until the upcoming work session.

- B. Landscaping for Municipal Complex. Council, on motion of Mayor Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to table this item until all pay-apps are approved.

7. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Mayor Ricard invited Council to attend South Congaree Town Council’s tour the new municipal complex on January 5th, 2024.

- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg reviewed his monthly report with Council, highlighting statistics, code enforcement activity, and speed trailer data. He reported on major crimes and ongoing investigations including vehicle break-ins and domestic altercations. Chief Richbourg reminded everyone to lock the doors on their vehicles at night. Mayor Ricard stated the Santa Claus tour looked great.

- C. Public Works Report. Supervisor White reported his department is maintaining grounds, and removing Christmas decorations. He stated last month’s litter pick-up was successful, with 12 bags of litter being removed.

- D. Town Administrator Report. Administrator Watkins thanked everyone for a great 2023. She stated January 29th is the preliminary move-in date for the new municipal complex.

- E. Attorney Report. No report.

8. Public Comment

Public Comment was given by Ellin Baskin, Birdie Felkel, and Darla Stone.

9. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Hook, seconded by Councilmember Wilbourne, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Attest,

Juston Ricard, Mayor

Leeann Kelly, Municipal Clerk