

MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 6th, 2024 at 6:00 pm 2909 Platt Springs Road, Springdale, SC 29170

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

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilmember Steve Hallman

STAFF PRESENT: Municipal Clerk Leeann Kelly, Chief of Police Andrew "Bear" Richbourg, Police Captain Brian Lorick, Police Department Administrative Assistant Sheri Jonas, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, and Attorney Ward Bradley.

1. Call to Order

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

2. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes
 - July 2, 2024 Regular Meeting
 - July 15, 2024 Work Session
 - July 15, 2024 Special Meeting

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Presentations

A. Noelle Delalla, Director of Government Affairs, Ripple Fiber Municipal Clerk Kelly informed Council she received an email from Ms. Delalla shortly before the meeting stating the presentation and the Ripple Fiber project was canceled until further notice.

4. Old Business

A. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance O-24-05; AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING, BY REFERENCE, THE COUNTY OF LEXINGTON'S UPDATED ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE; CHAPTER 10, ANIMALS, ARTICLE II, ANIMAL CONTROL, DIVISION I, GENERALLY; AMENDING SECTION 10-32 - COMMERCIAL BREEDING KENNELS/CATTERIES, SECTION 10-33 - DOG IDENTIFICATION, SECTION 10-38 -REDEMPTION, MANDATORY STERILIZATION AND MICROCHIPPING OF CERTAIN CATS AND DOGS, AND SECTION 10-41 - PET REGULATION - COMMERCIAL PURPOSES (2nd Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its second reading.

5. New Business

A. Discussion and Consideration of a Memorandum of Agreement for the Provision of Secure Detention Services with SCDJJ for FY 24/25. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to approve the memorandum of agreement as presented.

6. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Councilmember Fecas reported that a recap of sessions she attended during the Municipal Association's Annual Meeting has been disseminated to Council and staff. She also informed those in attendance of WeShopSC, an online marketplace for small businesses in South Carolina.
- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg reviewed his monthly report with Council, highlighting statistics, code enforcement activity, and speed trailer data. He discussed significant crimes, including vehicle break ins that seem to involve multiple jurisdictions. He stated the police department has one opening. He concluded by stating he has been checking pond levels and properties for flooding from the tropical storm.
- C. Public Works Report. Supervisor White reported ongoing and upcoming projects including Adopt-a-Highway. He stated that a median was hit near the armory and will be replanted. The park fence at Lee Circle seems to have some damage and will need to be repaired. Council agreed to talk about the park fence and the split rail fence at the Town's property on Wattling Road during the upcoming work session. Mayor Ricard asked Public Works Supervisor White to get quotes for adding block to town signs. Councilmember Reeley stated he has a contact he will send to Supervisor White.
- D. Town Administrator Report. No report.
- E. Attorney Report. No report.

7. Public Comment

Public Comment was given by Ellin Baskin, and Darla Stone. Mrs. Stone proposed a discussion concerning Ready, Set, Supply, an initiative to supply readiness closets for local schools. Council agreed to discuss the initiative further at the upcoming work session.

8. Adjourn to Executive Session

A. Receipt of Legal Advice

Council, on motion of Councilmember Hook, seconded by Councilmember Wilbourne, voted unanimously to adjourn to executive session at 6:16 pm.

9. Return to Open Session – Action may be taken regarding matters discussed in Executive Session. Council returned to open session at 6:36 pm. Mayor Ricard stated that no action was taken during executive session.

10. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm.

Attest,

Juston Ricard, Mayor

Leeann Kelly, Municipal Clerk