



MINUTES

Town Council Work Session
Monday, February 26th, 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 Wilbourne, Hook, Reeley, Hallman, and Fecas.

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

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

1. Call to Order

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

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Discussion

- A. Road and Drainage Maintenance Agreement with the County of Lexington. Council discussed the maintenance agreement and agreed to schedule a meeting with Lexington County Administrator Lynn Sturkie and Lexington County Councilmember Debbie Summers.
- B. C-Funds Proposal – Sidewalks Along Watling Road. A proposal was submitted for two phases of sidewalk from Platt Springs Road to Silstar Road (phase one), and Platt Springs to Empress Road (phase two). Due to cost, Council agreed to withdraw Phase two of the proposal. Phase one will remain for consideration by Lexington County.
- C. Lumos Fiber Franchise Fee Agreement. Administrator Watkins stated that NC based fiber-optic internet company Lumos has approached Springdale concerning a franchise fee agreement. The company is currently working with all other Lexington County municipalities. Administrator Watkins has requested Attorney Ward Bradley review the agreement. Council agreed to request Ben Breazeale, Director of Market Development for Lumos, to attend an upcoming Council meeting.
- D. 4D Engineering – Proposal for Civil Engineering Services. 4D Engineering has submitted a proposal for engineering services for the Town’s property behind the municipal complex Mayor Ricard explained the proposal is comprehensive and includes wetland delineation. Council agreed that without wetland delineation, plans for the property would be uncertain. Council agreed to seek the cost to obtain a survey and wetland delineation from 4D Engineering, and Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering.

4. Town Council Reports

- A. Elected Officials – Councilmember Fecas discussed an advanced budget and finance training session she recently attended. She explained the importance of looking further into the yearly audit and reviewing the Town’s budget at least quarterly. After a brief discussion, Council agreed to review a monthly budget report at work sessions beginning in April.
- B. Sewer Expansion – Wilbourne. No report.
- C. Cottages at Roof’s Pond – Wilkerson. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson stated that most of the phase two roads have been paved. Councilmember Fecas requested Mayor Ricard follow up with SCDOT concerning the broken pipe near the creek behind her residence.
- D. Platt Springs Road Corridor – Reeley. No report.
- E. Durham Drive Dam – Hook. Mayor Ricard stated he would like to speak with Attorney Bradley concerning Durham Drive.
- F. Town Events – Ricard. Mayor Ricard stated that Summerfest planning will begin soon.
- G. Town Parks – Wilkerson. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson requested Administrator Watkins reach out to the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission in mid-March concerning funding for park improvements. Councilmember Fecas discussed some work done on water lines at the park on Pond Drive. Public Works Supervisor Kevin White is to contact West Columbia utilities to determine if they are returning to clean up the worksite.
- H. Springdale Municipal Complex. No report.
- I. Community Relations – Fecas. Councilmember Fecas reported she has been in discussions with neighbors over a loose dog issue.

5. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilbourne, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm.

Juston Ricard, Mayor

Attest:

Leeann Kelly, Municipal Clerk