

*South Carolina*  
***SPRINGDALE***

**MINUTES**

Town Council Regular Meeting

January 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers – Springdale Town Hall, 2915 Platt Springs Road

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Michael Bishop, Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, Councilmembers Peters, Wilkerson, Hallman, and Fecas, Town Attorney Danny Scott, and Administrator Ashley Watkins.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilmember Reeley.

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6 P.M. A quorum was present. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation. Mayor Bishop led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Agenda. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to add Executive Session to for the purpose of receiving legal advice.  
B. Approval of Minutes. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the December 5, 2017 Regular Meeting, the December 18, 2017 Special Meeting, and the December 18, 2017 Work Session.

**III. Oaths of Office**

A. Mayor Michael Bishop. Judge George Nicholson swore in Mayor Michael Bishop for a new term.  
B. Town Council. Judge George Nicholson swore in Mayor Pro Tem Juston Ricard and Councilmember Jacob Wilkerson for new terms.  
C. Officer Bruce Compton. Judge George Nicholson swore in Officer Bruce Compton as the newest member of the Springdale Police Department. Officer Compton's wife pinned on his badge and Chief Cornett explained Springdale P.D.'s tradition of having a family member pin the badge.

**IV. Nomination and Selection of Mayor Pro Tempore**

A. Mayor Pro Tempore. Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to select Juston Ricard as Mayor Pro Tempore.

**V. Council appointment to the Joint Water and Sewer Commission and the Central Midlands Council of Governments**

A. Joint Water and Sewer Commission. Council, on motion of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to appoint Mayor Bishop to the Joint Water and Sewer Commission.

B. Central Midlands Regional Council of Governments. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to appoint Mayor Pro Tem Ricard to the Central Midlands Council of Governments with Mayor Bishop as an alternate for COG meetings.

## **VI. Special Recognition of Council Member**

A. Recognition. Council recognized Councilmember Nancy Peters for her 20 years of service on council.

## **VII. New Business**

A. Consideration of Ordinance O-18-01: Amending the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Springdale; Section 5-41 to include the most current editions of the International Building Codes. Administrator Watkins informed Council that Mr. Steve Martin, the Town Building Inspector, pointed out that the current codes used by the Town were out of date. Special Projects Coordinator John Rabon explained the wording of the ordinance to adopt the most current codes. Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to amend the codes to adopt the latest editions of the International Building Codes.

## **VIII. Reports**

A. Town Council Reports. Councilmember Fecas reported the school renovations were on pace. Councilmember Peters discussed her conversations with Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission to set up a meeting for the splash pad. Councilmember Wilkerson spoke on signs and Mayor Bishop offered the name of Ron Clamp who offered to meet with Council to draft some Town Sign designs. Mayor Bishop discussed having a pot hole fixed under the bridge on Highway 302. Councilmember Hallman discussed the proposed Planned Development District vote and his thoughts on it. Councilmember Wilkerson stated his desire to have another meeting with D.R. Horton and Council discussed the development further and the intention to have more discussions with D.R. Horton before voting again.

B. Chief's Report. Chief Cornett reviewed the Police Department's monthly report and statistics with the Council. Chief Cornett also discussed the Santa Claus event and Council provided their support for the event and how the department conducted itself during Chief Cornett's absence. Chief Cornett informed Council of a new hire for the Police Department.

C. Public Works Report. Chief Cornett provided the Public Works monthly report. He updated Council on the hiring process for a part-time employee. He also discussed motivating the Public Works employees and making a policy change to allow the employees to pick up trash bags that are outside of the cans, provided they are wearing gloves.

D. Administrative Report. Administrator Watkins informed Council of the progress on Dollar General including the Design Review Board's approval of the building design, the permits from Lexington County, and the projected closing date for the property. Mr. Rabon announced that the contractors doing site development and the general contractors had both pulled all necessary licenses and permits. Ms. Watkins expanded more on the development of Dollar General for the benefit of those in the audience. Council discussed the development. Administrator Watkins stated that one person had applied for the

Accommodations Board and encouraged members of the public to apply. She also informed Council that a PDD was not possible to do because it did not include a commercial district and the Municipal Association recommended establishing a new zoning classification to meet Council and the developer's needs for the subdivision.

**IX. Appearance by Residents**

Mr. Bill Jordan, Chair of the Springdale Planning Commission, spoke to Council and expressed his concerns on the Planning Commission's recommendation concerning the proposed subdivision. Mayor Bishop expressed his thanks to Mr. Jordan for his statement and work on the Planning Commission.

**X. Adjourn to Executive Session**

A. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to end Executive Session at 6:40 P.M. to discuss negotiations incident to the proposed purchase of property and receive legal advice.

**XI. Return to Open Session – Action may be taken regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.**

A. Return to Open Session. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to return to open session at 7:25 P.M. Mayor Bishop announced that no action was taken during Executive Session. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

**XII. Adjournment**

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 P.M.

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Michael Bishop  
*Mayor*

Attest:

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John Rabon  
*Town Clerk*