# **MINUTES**

Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 6:00 pm

# VIRTUAL MEETING

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

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Ashley Watkins, Chief of Police Andrew Richbourg, Attorney Ward Bradley, Attorney Sierra Carini, Municipal Clerk Leeann Eden, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, Police Captain Chris Manuel

### I. Call to Order

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was present. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation. Mayor Bishop led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### II. **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Agenda.
- B. Approval of Minutes.

  - i. June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Regular Meeting
    ii. June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Called Meeting & Work Session
  - iii. June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Called Meeting

Council unanimously approved the agenda for the July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Regular Council Meeting, the minutes for the June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Regular Council Meeting, the minutes for the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Called Meeting & Work Session, and the June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Called Meeting.

### III. **Employee Recognitions**

A. Officer of the Month, Springdale Police Department – Patrolman X. Rodriguez. Chief Richbourg promoted Patrolman Rodriguez to Patrolman First Class and stated that he will provide field training to new officers and will assume more responsibilities as a supervisor. Patrolman First Class Rodriguez was also recognized as Employee of the Month.

### IV. **New Business**

A. Consideration of Resolution R-20-02; A RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING CLASS OF 2020 GRADUATES FROM SPRINGDALE AREA SCHOOLS. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

- B. Discussion and Consideration of Text Amendment to the Springdale Zoning Ordinance O-20-06; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SPRINGDALE ZONING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 2: DESIGN OVERLAY DISTRICT (1<sup>ST</sup> Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to pass the ordinance at its first reading.
- C. Consideration and Discussion of Ordinance O-20-07; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11: LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS, SECTION 2 "DEFINITIONS", TO INCLUDE NEW PROVISIONS FOR RENTERS OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WITHIN TOWN LIMITS (1<sup>st</sup> Reading). After a brief discussion, Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Hallman, voted unanimously to pass the ordinance at its first reading. Mayor Bishop requested that the ordinance be added to the next work session for further discussion.

# V. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Councilmember Fecas requested an update on correspondence with John McCain of DHEC concerning Parrish Pond. Attorney Bradley stated that he has not had any correspondence with John McCain as of yet. Councilmember Hook commented that Code Enforcement Officer Ed Devore has been doing a good job. Councilmember Fecas stated that she will be attending the Municipal Association of South Carolina's virtual Annual Meeting and will take notes.
- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg provided his report to Council, highlighting major crimes and statistics. He described grants that were awarded to the Police Department and gear that has been donated such as tasers, defibrillators and gym equipment. Mayor Bishop thanked Chief Richbourg and Captain Manuel for the invitation to the Trinity Baptist Church Law Enforcement and Youth Forum. He commented that so much of police officer's work is not documented and is unseen, yet they are constantly building relationships with youth and making a difference in the community.
- C. Public Works Report. There was a discussion of a rain barrel project and a replacement fixture for the broken merry-go-round in the park. Mayor Bishop suggested attending the Lexington County Recreation Commission's board meeting for support with park equipment. Councilmember Reeley reported a street light out at the intersection of Sightler Drive and Platt Springs Road.
- D. Town Administrator Report. No further report.
- E. Attorney Report. Attorney Bradley updated Council on his research concerning the Town rehabbing blighted properties. Mayor Bishop stated that Council would continue to look into it.

# VI. Public Comment

No public comment was given.

# VII. Adjourn Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm. Michael Bishop, Mayor Attest:

Leeann Eden, Municipal Clerk