

MINUTES Town Council Regular Meeting November 6, 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.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Michael Bishop, Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, Councilmembers Fecas, Peters, Wilkerson, Reeley, Hallman

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Tare' Stapp, Police Chief Kevin Cornett, and Attorney Ward Bradley

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 unanimously approved the November 6, 2018 Regular Meeting Agenda.
- B. Approval of Minutes. Council unanimously approved the October 2, 2018 Regular Meeting, October 15, 2018 Work Session Meeting, and October 15, 2018 Special Meeting minutes.

III. New Employee Introductions

- i. Sandy Beaty, School Resource Officer, Springdale Police Department. Chief Cornett swore in Officer Beaty, who was accompanied by her fiancé and family members as she took her oath. Officer Beaty's fiancé pinned on her badge while Chief Cornett explained the Springdale Police Department's tradition of having a family member pin the badge. Officer Beaty will be the new Springdale Elementary School Resource Officer.
- ii. Allen Sharpe, Patrolman, Springdale Police Department. Chief Cornett swore in Officer Sharpe, who was accompanied by his wife, daughter, and family members as he took his oath. Officer Sharpe's wife pinned on his badge while Chief Cornett explained the Springdale Police Department's tradition of having a family member pin the badge. Officer Sharpe will be filling a road patrol officer position.

IV. New Business

- A. Discussion and Consideration of ORDINANCE O-18-08; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17: PURCHASING, OF THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE CODE OF ORDINANCES. (1st Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to approve this ordinance.
- B. Discussion and Consideration of ORDINANCE O-18-10; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE ORDINANCES, ADDING CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE IV,

LICENSING AND REGULATION OF FOOD TRUCKS AND FOOD TRAILERS (1st Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve this amended ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem Ricard requested to recuse himself, due to a potential conflict of interest with his employment at SCANA with Resolution R-08-03, Ordinance -18-11 and Ordinance 18-12. A copy of Councilmember Ricard's recusal is attached to the official minutes.

- C. Discussion and Consideration of RESOLUTION R-08-03; AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRIC SERVICE RIGHTS BETWEEN MID-CAROLINA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY. Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to pass Resolution R-08-03 adopting the electric service rights agreement between Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative, Inc and the South Carolina Electric and Gas Company.
- D. Discussion and Consideration of ORDINANCE O-18-11; AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE FRANCHISE ORDINANCE BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE AND SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY. (1st Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Hallman, voted unanimously to approve the updated franchise ordinance.
- E. Discussion and Consideration of ORDINANCE O-18-12; AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FRANCHISE ORDINANCE BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE AND MID-CAROLINA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. (1st Reading). Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve this ordinance.
- F. 2019 Town Calendar. Administrator Watkins stated this is the calendar that will be sent out to residents for the upcoming year. Councilmember Wilkerson stated that his only concern would be the conflicts between holidays and Council meetings. Administrator Watkins explained that the dates have already been adjusted. Councilmember Fecas inquired whether the County dispatch number should be added to the calendar as well. Chief Cornett responded stating that his recommendation would be to leave the phone number as it is on the calendar. Councilmember Wilkerson also suggested moving the Council meeting on July 2nd to the week after due to the possibility of members being out of town for the holiday. Mayor Bishop responded stating to leave the date as is, and Council can amend the date as the holiday gets closer.
- G. Notary Fees for residents and non-residents. Administrator Watkins stated that Town Hall has been receiving a significant increase of notary requests over the past couple of months. Administrator Watkins recommended charging a small fee for non-residents and offering this as a courtesy service to residents. Councilmember Fecas suggested looking into the recommended amount by the State of South Carolina.
- H. Fees for residents who wish to purchase additional trash cans. Administrator Watkins stated this is another issue that is presenting itself to Town Hall and Public Works, due to requests for additional cans from residents. Administrator Watkins stated that each resident is given one trash, one yard trash can, and one recycling can; however there are residents who have four or five cans on their property. Due to the increase of requests and the cost of each,

Administrator Watkins recommended having residents purchase or put a deposit down for any additional cans beyond three. Mayor Bishop requested the opinion of the other Councilmembers. Councilmember Fecas stated that each resident be given three cans and for any requests for additional cans, a fee will be charged. Mayor Bishop recommended three cans for each resident and charging \$53.35 plus tax for any additional. Administrator Watkins stated that at the next Council meeting she will have an updated list of the prices for the notary fee as well as for the additional trash can fee.

V. Reports

A. Town Council Reports:

Councilmember Hallman reported the Town sign looks great. Mayor Bishop inquired whether Council wanted to put in an order for another Town sign or to wait until Council had a specific location for the next Town sign. The Councilmembers decided to look further into placing the sign on the corridor of Platt Springs Rd. before starting the construction of the next sign.

Councilmember Reeley also reported on how great the Town sign looked.

Mayor Pro Tem Ricard did not have anything to report at this time.

Mayor Bishop did not have anything to report at this time.

Councilmember Wilkerson reported he is happy to have the Town sign.

Councilmember Peters did not have anything to report at this time.

Councilmember Fecas reported that she has been to a few special trainings over the last month that has been very insightful. Councilmember Fecas also reported she will be attending the meeting with CMRTA on Tuesday, November 13th.

B. Police Report: Chief Cornett reported that there are two patrol vacancies still available at this time. Chief Cornett continued to report that there was an increase in the statistical numbers for the month of October, as well as nine summons written by the Town's Code Enforcement officer for violations within the Town. Councilmember Wilkerson inquired about the business located next to his residence, and Chief Cornett responded by stating that unfortunately the large amounts of debris at this location is not considered unsightly, therefore the Town cannot cite them for such.

C. Public Works: Public Works Supervisor, Scott Bolser, reported that Public Works has flowers planted in front of Town Hall and has prepared the Splash Pad for winter. Mr. Bolser also reported that Public Works still has not filled the two sanitation worker positions.

D. Town Administrator Report: Administrator Watkins reported that one of the mobile homes has been taken down; however she received a letter receipt showing the property owners did in fact receive the letter she had sent, but they have yet to contact her regarding the matter. Mayor Bishop and Administrator Watkins agreed on giving the property owners more time. Administrator Watkins also reported a few events that will be taken place during the month of December. The first event is the Christmas tree lighting that will be held on December 3rd at 6:00 pm. The next event the Town will be participating in will be the Greater Cayce West Columbia Chamber Parade of Lights on December 8th at 5:30 pm. The last event is the Town Christmas party on December 6th at 6:00 pm.

E. Attorney Report: Attorney Ward Bradley reported that he and Sierra had worked on the Food Truck Ordinance as well as the Purchasing Ordinance that was requested by Council. Mr. Bradley also reported that he and Sierra were working on the mobile homes, but since the property owners are tearing them down, they have not been pursuing this matter any further.

VI. Appearance by residents

No members of the public signed up to speak at this meeting.

VII. Adjournment

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 P.M.

Michael Bishop, Mayor

Attest:

Tare' Stapp, Municipal Clerk