

South Carolina
SPRINGDALE

MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting

February 4, 2014 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 Manos, Councilmembers Reeley, Ricard, and Sox-Peters, Town Administrator Erica Barton, and Town Attorney Danny Scott.

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: Councilmembers Hallman and Wilkerson.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. A quorum was present. Councilmember Ricard provided the invocation. Chief Cornett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Ricard, voted unanimously to approve the January 7, 2014 meeting minutes.

III. Old Business

A. Consideration of O-14-01; an ordinance to approve the updates to the Comprehensive Plan. Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, voted unanimously to approve O-14-01; an ordinance to approve the updates to the Comprehensive Plan. [SECOND READING]

B. Planning Commission/Town Council Workshop February 25, 2014 at 6 p.m. Administrator Barton notified Council that the workshop will be held on February 25, 2014 at 6 p.m. She noted that the previous workshop was postponed due to inclement weather. This was originally the regular meeting for the Planning Commission but would be modified to be a workshop instead.

C. Appointment to the Joint Water & Sewer Commission. Mayor Bishop volunteered to serve on the Board of the Joint Water & Sewer Commission. Council, on motion of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Ricard, voted unanimously to appoint Mayor Bishop to the Board.

IV. New Business

A. Consideration to prioritize and approve projects for the Lexington County Penny for Progress Commission. Mayor Bishop listed the projects for consideration, including: Sewer Phase II, a new municipal complex, Cindy's Place at Springdale Elementary School, a recreational water park complex

(The Springs of Lexington County), Wattling Road improvements (sidewalk from school to Old Barnwell Rd), and I-26 and Hwy 302 intersection improvements. Mr. George Capps and Lynn Hutchinson presented an overview of their visit to the Splash in the Boro water park in Statesboro, Georgia. They also presented pictures from the water park. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve all projects but I-26 and Hwy 302 improvements.

B. Consideration to amend Ch. 7 Elections, Section 7-23. – Time of taking office; contested election. Council, on motion of Councilmember Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve the start of research into amending Ch. 7 Elections, Section 7-23. – Time of taking office; contested election.

C. Consideration to approve a lease agreement with SCE&G for a light near the median at Platt Springs Rd. and Ermine Rd. Administrator Barton notified Council that SCANA has already conducted an assessment and can install a light at that location. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted 4-0 to approve a lease agreement with SCE&G for a light near the median at Platt Springs Rd. and Ermine Rd. Councilmember Ricard abstained from this vote because of his employment with SCE&G.

D. Consideration to amend Ch. 2 Administration, Section 2-22 Compensation, reimbursement of expenses for Town Council. Mayor Bishop expressed an interest in doing research into how other municipalities handle the reimbursement of officers and employees for expenses related to town business. Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve the start of research into how other municipalities handle reimbursement.

E. Consideration of P-14-01; a proclamation in support of Meals on Wheels. Mayor Bishop read his proclamation to those present at the Council meeting. Mayor Bishop then proclaimed March to be “March for Meals” Month. Mayor Bishop issued proclamation P-14-01; a proclamation in support of Meals on Wheels.

V. Reports

A. Town Council Reports. Mayor Bishop reported that he attended several meetings. Councilmember Ricard reported that he attended the Central Midlands Council of Governments meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Manos suggested to Mayor Bishop that meeting times change from 3 p.m. to 5 or 6 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Manos also discussed the need for more sidewalks in heavily congested areas and recognized the accomplishments of Colonel Charles Moore, a Springdale native. Councilmember Reeley requested the Council consider a resolution to look into increasing garbage service to twice a week during the summer. Council, on the motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to approve the research of twice-weekly garbage pickup during summer.

B. Administrator’s Report. Administrator Barton took requests for information for revisions to Ch. 14 nuisances. She recommended having a budget workshop for Council in late-March or early-April. She also asked for workshop items. Administrator Barton noted that there are two positions available for appointment to the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals. She also reminded Council that ethics reports are due. She noted that Lexington County wants to hold a joint community meeting with Springdale and Administrator Barton asked for requests for meeting dates from the Council.

C. Public Works Director’s Report. The report was received as information by the Council.

D. Chief's Report. Chief Cornett reviewed his monthly report and statistics with the Council.

VI. Public Comment

Bobby Crapps, from Airport Heating and Cooling, stated his approval of the water park and sewer projects, but suggested putting a hold on a town center. George Capps suggested that the Town send a get well card to Nell Poole at Lexington Medical Center. Kayleen Mobley expressed residents' concern with plant overgrowth on Baywater Drive and paving a dirt road at the back end of Lonely St. and Shadblow subdivision.

VII. Executive Session

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted unanimously to enter executive session to discuss a contract matter at 7:20 p.m.

Council, on motion by Councilmember Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted unanimously to exit executive session at 8:04 p.m.

No action was taken in executive session.

On resuming the regular session, Mayor Bishop recommended changing the sewer payment plan from six months to twelve months. Council, on motion from Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to change the sewer payment plan to one year.

VIII. Adjournment

Council, upon motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm.

Michael Bishop
Mayor

Attest:

Joe Boyes
Interim Town Administrator