

South Carolina
SPRINGDALE

MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting

January 5, 2016 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, Councilmembers Wilkerson, Peters, Fecas, Ricard, and Reeley, Town Attorney Danny Scott, and Town Administrator Jeff Stilwell.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Hallman.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. A quorum was present. Councilmember Ricard provided the invocation. Council amended the agenda without objection to remove Councilmember Hallman from the Oath of Office section due to his absence. Mayor Bishop led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Oath of Office

A. Judge George Nicholson administered the Oath of Office for Town Council to Councilmembers Peters and Fecas.

III. Nomination and Selection of Mayor Pro Tempore

A. Council, on nomination of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to name Councilmember Juston Ricard as the new Mayor Pro Tempore. Councilmember Ricard did not vote.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. The minutes from the December 8, 2015 meeting were approved without objection.

V. Old Business

A. Discussion of Platt Springs Road Master Plan Progress. Administrator Stilwell informed Council that the next steps would be acquiring encroachment permits from SCDOT, working with SCE&G to bury power lines, and issuing a Request for Proposals for construction of two welcome signs. He further stated that staff would be researching other funding resources. Councilmember Wilkerson stated that he wanted to see progress over the next year to year-and-a-half and Administrator Stilwell agreed.

VI. New Business

A. Approval of 2016 Town Calendar. Administrator Stilwell introduced the Town Calendar for 2016 and recommended additions for Recycling collection on December 29 and Yard Trash collection on

December 30. Mayor Bishop suggested adding work session meetings and Council discussed holding said meetings on the third Monday of every month. Council, on motion of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to amend the calendar to include extra collection days and work sessions and adopt it as modified.

VII. Reports

A. Town Council Reports. Mayor Bishop discussed having work session meetings once per month in addition to the regular Town Council meeting. He also stated that the Christmas light pole banners would be removed soon. Mayor Bishop informed Council of upcoming training sessions with the Municipal Association of South Carolina, including the Municipal Elected Officials Institute and the Parliamentary Procedure Workshop on January 14. He stated that the Town would pay for any official who took the training.

B. Administrative Report. Administrator Stilwell reported on his advances learning the position of Town Administrator and praised the Town residents for their values and sense of community. He discussed the financials with Council and announced that the final report of the Town's audit should be ready next month. Administrator Stilwell informed Council that he had not yet received a final report for the Platt Springs Road Master Plan and was withholding payment until the final report arrived. Lastly, he recommended that Councilmembers inform him if they wanted to participate in the Municipal Elected Officials Institute of Government and the Municipal Association of South Carolina Annual Meeting in July.

C. Public Works Director's Report. Public Works Director Ancik informed Council and the public of an upcoming electronics recycling collection at Springdale Baptist Church. He also informed Council that he was looking at purchasing a used bucket truck to assist with the light pole banners, tree limb removal, and other jobs. Per the new regulations for trash cans, he also stated that Public Works had begun tagging cans and dumpsters that fell out of compliance.

D. Chief's Report. Chief Cornett reviewed his monthly report and statistics with the Council. He further discussed the department's use of the NextDoor app as a social networking platform for neighborhood associations.

VIII. Appearance by Citizens

No public comment was made.

IX. Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue a real estate matter; property acquisition for economic development.

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted to go into executive session at 6:37 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue and a real estate matter involving property acquisition for economic development. Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to exit executive session at 7:25 p.m. No action was taken during executive session.

X. Action Taken from Executive Session

Mayor Bishop reported that no new action needed to be taken from the discussion in executive session.

XI. Adjournment

Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Michael Bishop
Mayor

Attest:

Jeff Stilwell
Town Administrator