

*South Carolina*  
***SPRINGDALE***

**MINUTES**

Town Council Regular Meeting

February 2, 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, Hallman, Peters, Fecas, Ricard, and Reeley, Town Attorney Danny Scott, and Town Administrator Jeff Stilwell.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

**I. Call to Order**

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

**II. Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved without objection.

B. Approval of Minutes. The minutes from the January 5, 2015 Regular Meeting and the January 18, 2016 work session were approved without objection.

**III. Old Business**

A. Discussion of Platt Springs Road Master Plan Progress. Mayor Bishop asked if any councilmembers had questions for Administrator Stilwell regarding progress on the Master Plan. Seeing that there were none, he closed the discussion.

**IV. New Business**

A. Consideration of O-16-01: An Ordinance amending the Town of Springdale Zoning Map for the property located at 3400 Platt Springs Road at the corner of West Fairhill Drive (TMS # 005618-02-014) from R-1 Residential to C-1 General Commercial. Mayor Bishop asked if there had been a public hearing for this property and Administrator Stilwell confirmed that there had been. Administrator Stilwell further reported to Council that the property had been for sale under a commercial real estate agent for ten years with renewed interest following the creation of the Master Plan. He stated that the property owner wanted to go ahead and rezone commercial rather than wait until the property was purchased. Mayor Bishop asked whether the Planning Commission recommended the change and Administrator Stilwell stated that it had. Councilmember Wilkerson asked if there were plans for the property that prompted the request to rezone and Administrator Stilwell answered that the owner wanted to rezone even though it meant his taxes would go up, but that there are no contracts or current plans for the property. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Peters, voted unanimously to rezone 3400 Platt Springs Road from R-1 Residential to C-1 General Commercial.

B. Amend Town Calendar. Mayor Bishop reported to Council that the original planned day of February 15 for the next work session is a holiday and Administrator Stilwell recommended moving the meeting to the 18<sup>th</sup>. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted unanimously to amend the Town Calendar to move the February Work Session from Monday, February 15 to Thursday, February 18 because of Presidents Day.

C. Approval of Mutual Aid Agreements. Mayor Bishop laid out the Mutual Aid Agreements as the General Mutual Aid Documentation, Mutual Aid Agreement with Gaston, SC, Mutual Aid Agreement with Pine Ridge, SC, and the Multijurisdictional Alcohol Enforcement Unit Agreement. Mayor Bishop recommended that these be adopted as a slate unless there was any disagreement. Council, on motion of Councilmember Wilkerson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to adopt the Mutual Aid Agreements as a slate.

## **V. Reports**

A. Town Council Reports. Mayor Bishop thanked Councilmember Fecas for joining him at the Municipal Elected Officials training conference session that day. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard discussed the Planned Development District known as the Landings and his concerns about the progress of development. Mayor Bishop stated that the Council could not take any action on it at this meeting but asked other councilmembers what their thoughts were. Councilmember Wilkerson suggested that the Council get more information about the development progress before the next work session meeting. Councilmember Reeley asked if there had been any contact lately with the developer and Administrator Stilwell responded that he had not heard from the developer since the beginning of January when the developer told Administrator Stilwell that he would have more funding in ten days. Administrator Stilwell said that any further action regarding rezoning the development back to R-1 Residential would need to go through the Planning Commission at their next meeting.

B. Administrative Report. Administrator Stilwell stated that several written copies of the Platt Springs Road Master Plan are available for members of the public and that the administration would be happy to answer any questions about it. He also reminded Council of the annual MASC meeting in Charleston from July 14-17 and to plan for it if they wish to attend.

C. Public Works Director's Report. Public Works Director Ancik's Report was received as information by Council. Councilmember Fecas asked about the status of the icemaker and Mayor Bishop stated that the Town is going to get some more prices as the company wanted \$1,200 to repair the machine at Town Hall.

D. Chief's Report. Chief Cornett reviewed his monthly report and statistics with the Council. He further discussed the use of the Next Door community app and encouraged members of the public to sign up. He also encouraged the public to call the police department to report suspicious activity in their neighborhoods. Chief Cornett encouraged the Council to attend the DARE program graduation at Springdale Elementary School that Friday and discussed the virtues of the program for the students.

## **VI. Appearance by Citizens**

Mr. Greg Jenkins addressed the Council concerning the Parrish Pond. Administrator Stilwell informed Mr. Jenkins that DOT had spoken to him about the drain system in Parrish Plantation and he was awaiting word from Lexington County Stormwater concerning the repairs and had informed the Parrish Pond HOA not to interfere with the pond until it was fixed. Mr. Jenkins also asked about the leak on the Caughman side of the pond. Administrator Stilwell stated that he spoke to Paul Caughman about the leak and that

the property management company is aware of the leak and are taking steps to fix it. Mr. Jenkins asked about the cleaning out of the ditch and Administrator Stilwell responded that it should be cleaned out within two months and that he was talking to the Lemmond Pond owners about lowering the pond levels and getting with the Parrish Plantation HOA about pond maintenance. Mr. Jenkins lastly asked about flooding and Administrator Stilwell responded that the steps being taken should alleviate future flooding. Administrator Stilwell also stated that the Town was consulting Town Attorney Danny Scott to see what steps need to be taken to ensure the developer fixes the issues with the pond.

## **VII. Executive Session to discuss board appointments and a real estate matter; property acquisition**

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Reeley, voted to go into executive session at 6:23 p.m. to discuss board appointments and a real estate matter involving property acquisition for economic development. Council, on motion of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Hallman, voted unanimously to exit executive session at 7:00 p.m. No action was taken during executive session.

## **VIII. Action Taken from Executive Session**

Council, on motion of Councilmember Peters, seconded by Councilmember Hallman, voted unanimously to appoint Richard Gadsden and Joseph Kennedy to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to appoint Ronnie Wilbourne and Lucas Erwin to the Design Review Board. Mayor Bishop reported that no action was taken with regards to the property acquisition.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

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Michael Bishop  
*Mayor*

Attest:

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Jeff Stilwell  
*Town Administrator*