

South Carolina
SPRINGDALE

MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, April 2, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers – Springdale Town Hall, 2915 Platt Springs Road

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pat Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem Gus Manos, Councilmembers Jacob Wilkerson, Nancy Sox-Peters, and Steve Hallman, Town Administrator Erica Barton, and Town Attorney Danny Scott.

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: Councilmember Kevin Reeley

I. Call to Order

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6pm. A quorum was present. Councilmember Steve Hallman provided the invocation. Mayor Smith explained that

II. Approval of Minutes

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Sox-Peters, voted unanimously to approve the March 13, 2012 regular meeting minutes.

III. Old Business

A. Council reconsidered the Planning Commission's recommendation with regards to text amendment O-12-02; an ordinance amending the Parrish Plantation PDD; removing the requirement for the installation of a turn lane on Wattling Road into Parrish Plantation; adding a requirement to install common area amenities. Member Sox-Peters, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, motioned to amend the ordinance to require the turnlane at 80% of the lots sold. Mayor opened the floor for discussion. Mayor said Mr. Caughman needs to find investors to bring better opportunities to the neighborhood as he promised. Member Ricard stated he'd like to see hardscaped surfaces in the common areas and trails. Mr. Wade Caughman stated he made the decision for the turnlane, initially, to appease everyone in the meetings. Mr. Caughman states that he has facts that prove a turn lane is not required. Mr. Caughman requested Council to not vote on this matter until the May council meeting. Mr. Caughman stated he ordered playground equipment which will be installed by May 1st. Mr. Caughman argues that the traffic congestion on Wattling is between the Baptist church and the school; not the neighborhood. Mr. Caughman stated that the only projects left to complete are the playground, signage, and pool equipment. Councilmember Sox-Peters retracted her motion. Council on motion by Councilmember Ricard, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to table the matter until May 1st council meeting.

B. Council reconsidered Chief Cornett updated Council on status of the crime and code enforcement issues. Chief stated that Mr. Sam Patel, the owner of Traveler's Inn, is working on complying with the Town: installed cameras around the hotel and responds to police requests for improvements to the

exterior and other issues. Mayor Pro Tem Manos and Mayor Smith stated to allow the Town to proceed with a business license to the hotel contingent on Mr. Patel complying with the terms set by staff.

IV. New Business

A. Council considered the purchase of a knuckle boom truck for the purpose of yard trash collection and other heavy items (i.e. refrigerators, trees, etc.). Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to purchase the proposed truck from state contract and finance with BB&T (R-12-01). Mayor Pro Tem Manos asked for the Town to make a down payment of \$30-50,000.

B. Mayor Smith asked Council to consider allocating \$1500 towards the resurfacing of the basketball court at the Springdale Elementary Healthy Fitness Zone. He explained the park is actually a public fitness park and that Lexington County is going to provide the resurfacing labor/installation. Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted to spend up to \$2000 for this project.

V. Reports

The Administrator referred Council to her monthly report.

The Chief reviewed his monthly report and statistics with Council. Chief also introduced McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog to Council.

VI. Appearance by citizens

Ms. Viki Mitchell at 508 Dickson Hill Circle expressed concern for the public park partnership with the Town and Springdale Elementary. She explained that her backyard faces the playground and is concerned with the noise, lighting, and unwanted traffic.

VII. Adjournment

Council, on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Manos, seconded by Councilmember Ricard, voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:12pm.

Pat G. Smith, Mayor

Attest:

Erica Barton, Town Administrator