

*South Carolina*  
***SPRINGDALE***

**MINUTES**

Town Council Regular Meeting

August 1, 2017 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 Ricard, Councilmembers Reeley, Peters, Wilkerson, and Fecas, Town Attorney Danny Scott, and Interim Administrator Ashley Watkins. Councilmember Hallman joined by telephone.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6 P.M. A quorum was present. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard provided the invocation. Mayor Bishop led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Agenda. Council adopted the agenda for the meeting without objection.

B. Approval of Minutes. Council adopted the minutes from the July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting and the July 17, 2017 Work Session without objection.

**III. Old Business**

There was no Old Business for this meeting.

**IV. New Business**

A. Discussion of Council Project Committees. Councilmember Fecas asked whether the Town had received a punch list for Parrish Plantation from DHEC and Mayor Pro Tem Ricard stated that had not been received yet. Mayor Bishop discussed the assignment of Councilmembers to individual projects and opened the discussion up to the rest of Council for project suggestions and volunteers to be responsible for that project. Council made several suggestions for projects including Parrish Plantation drainage issues, DOT, Bear Branch Planned Development District, signage, the spray pool, and water distribution RFQ. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard offered to be responsible for Bear Branch PDD while Councilmember Fecas offered to keep Council up to date on Springdale Elementary School's renovation. Mayor Bishop volunteered to work with other elected officials while Councilmember Peters offered to manage the spray pool project and Councilmember Hallman agreed to be responsible for the Water Distribution RFQ along with Mayor Pro Tem Ricard. Mayor Bishop reviewed the list of projects and volunteers. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to amend the list to include Councilmember Reeley on Town signage and medians with Councilmember Wilkerson. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to approve the list as amended.

B. Discussion of Water Distribution Request for Qualifications Committee. Interim Administrator Watkins updated the Council on the progress of receiving RFQs. Mayor Bishop stated that the Council would look at the applications after the due date of August 18, 2017.

C. Discussion of vacancies on Design Review Board. Mayor Bishop discussed vacancies on the Design Review Board and reviewed applications with Council. Mayor Bishop instructed Interim Administrator Watkins to set up a special meeting after the next work session meeting at which time Council could make a determination to fill the vacancies.

D. Discussion of Town Sign Request for Proposals. Interim Administrator Watkins and Special Projects Coordinator John Rabon updated Council on the status of the Signage RFP. Council discussed what they wanted to see for the Signage RFP.

E. Discussion of contributing funds to Explore Lexington County Guidebook. Mayor Bishop discussed Lexington County reaching out to the Town for advertising money for a guidebook that features each municipality. Interim Administrator Watkins discussed the source for funds that could be contributed to the County for this publication. Mayor Bishop requested that discussion of the Hospitality Board be added to the next work session meeting. Council discussed the Hospitality Board. Council then discussed how much to contribute for the guidebook. Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Wilkerson, voted unanimously to contribute \$2,500 to the Explore Lexington County Guidebook.

## **V. Reports**

A. Town Council Reports. Mayor Bishop praised the work done by Interim Administrator Watkins and communication between Councilmembers. Council also discussed the possibility of updating the Town website and comprehensive plan. Council discussed updates on the Bear Branch PDD. Mayor Bishop also informed Council that Rainbow Drive should get asphalt soon.

B. Chief's Report. Chief Cornett reviewed his monthly report and statistics with the Council. Chief Cornett and the Council discussed Rainbow Drive traffic and the bridge construction. Chief Cornett discussed working with Key Changes Therapy. He informed Council that Officer Plyler graduated from the academy and is currently undergoing field training. Chief Cornett also discussed a recent sting operation the Police Department conducted with the help of one of the hotels. Mayor Bishop asked Town Attorney Scott about nuisance ordinances and Mr. Scott provided information on municipal nuisance ordinances.

C. Public Works Director's Report. Public Works Director Ancik spoke to Council about the new lighting in the picnic shelters at the park. He also informed Council of his meetings with Lexington County about establishing a new drainage system for the spray pool as well as new banners for the light poles on Platt Springs Road. Additionally, he informed Council of the Yard of the Month and meetings with Green Earth Landscaping about the medians on Town roads. Council discussed improving Town medians and bidding for services. Director Ancik discussed reducing garbage collection to cover both routes on Monday and free up Public Works staff to do landscaping maintenance two days per week. He informed Council that Josh Howell acquired his Commercial Driver's License. Council discussed the presentation from the spray pool vendor and what Town would need to do to improve the splash pad at the park.

D. Administrative Report. Interim Administrator Watkins thanked the efforts of Town staff in recent weeks. Council thanked her for her work over the past two weeks. She updated Council on the Bear Branch PDD as well as the upcoming Food Truck Friday and thanked Clerk of Court Amanda Jones for her work on that. She also updated Council on the efforts to acquire property on Delree Street for a Town shed and Council discussed the potential acquisition. Interim Administrator Watkins discussed the efforts of Public Works employee Joshua Thomas on a splash pad grant and Councilmember Fecas thanked Mr. Rabon for putting a list of active business licenses on the Town's website.

**VI. Appearance by Residents**

Mr. Hoyte Smith asked council about the regulations for outdoor burning. Council and staff provided him with answers as to under what conditions he could burn and operate an outdoor flame.

**VII. Adjournment**

Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M.

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Michael Bishop  
*Mayor*

Attest:

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John Rabon  
*Town Clerk*