

William C. Collins, Mayor

Council Members:

Terry Jenkins, Mayor Pro Tem
Walter Bailey
Aaron Brown
Kima Garten-Schmidt
Bob Jackson
William McIntosh



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Town of Summerville

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 14, 2014

ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor William C. Collins, Mayor Pro-Tem Terry Jenkins, and council members Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Kima Garten-Schmidt, Bob Jackson and Bill McIntosh. Also present were Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services & Clerk-Treasurer and G.W. Parker, Town Attorney. Members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting and were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Summerville Town Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 in Council Chambers. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mayor Collins, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION OF 2013 AUDIT REPORT

Charlotte Allen of Webster Rogers, LLP presented Town Council with the FY 2013 Audit Report. The report was accepted as information.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to open the public hearing on the amendment to the development agreement with Nexton. Planning and Economic Development Director, Madelyn Robinson, gave a brief overview of the proposed amendments and Mayor Collins asked for any comments. There being no comments offered, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed on motion of Mr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. Jackson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Collins called for any comments from the public. Jan Orenstein, representing the Cultural Arts Alliance, announced that the "Summerville Rocks" project has been very successful and invited everyone to attend the auction of 48 rocking chairs on May 31st that will benefit the Larry Barnfield Arts Scholarship. Peter Gorman, a resident of South Magnolia Street, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance to restrict truck traffic on Richardson and Marion Avenues. Leslie Rhoden of Richardson Avenue also spoke in support of the ordinance prohibiting through trucks. She added that Richardson Avenue should have the same speed limit of 30 mph from end to end. Robbie Robbins of Pine Forest subdivision spoke about recent negative letters to the editor published in the Journal Scene. He stated that he recently had an opportunity to witness Senator

Bennett and Representatives Horne and Murphy in action and complimented their professionalism and efficiency. Dave Comer of 708 W. Richardson Avenue stated that he has witnessed frequent accidents Richardson Avenue and supports limited truck traffic but also wants a reduced speed limit to 30 mph. Melvin McClellan of 203 Gardenia Street stated that speed is also a problem on Gardenia Street. Additionally, he requested that the sign at 5th and S. Main Street directing people to the different churches in town be replaced and also reported that the ditches in the Robynwyn subdivision are not draining properly. Jim Reaves, Executive Director of Sculpture in the South, thanked Council for their continued support and invited everyone to attend their annual show and sale this weekend in Azalea Park. He reported that this event brings world-class sculptors into the Town of Summerville. Diane Frankenberger, a business owner at 129 W. Richardson Avenue, also spoke in support of the truck restriction ordinance. Leslie Rhoden added that she would like SCDOT to consider realigning the area where Richardson Avenue meets Hwy. 78. There being no further public comments, the Mayor declared that portion of the meeting closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2014 Council meeting as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Garten-Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the May 12, 2014 Finance Committee Report, the May 7, 2014 Public Works Committee Report and the May 7, 2014 Planning and Development Committee Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

PETITIONS

Ms. Wallace reported that no petitions have been submitted.

PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to have second and final reading of the following ordinances: an ordinance to annex Dorchester County TMS # 130-00-00-008, 23.81 acres located off of N. Maple St. and owned by Rosemary Family Limited Partnership to be zoned AC, "Agricultural Conservation"; an ordinance to annex Dorchester County TMS # 130-00-00-021 (including portion in Berkeley Co.), 24.072 acres located off N. Maple St. and owned by Margaret Newcomer and John Bell, Jr. to be zoned AC, "Agricultural Conservation"; an ordinance to annex Dorchester County TMS #130-00-00-022 (including portion in Berkeley Co.), 23.825 acres located off N. Maple St. and owned by Uchee Farms, LP and LSB, LLC to be zoned AC, "Agricultural Conservation"; and an ordinance to annex Berkeley County TMS # 221-00-00-008 (including portion in Dorchester Co.), 10.571 acres, owned by Uchee Farms, LP and LSB, LLC to be zoned AC "Agricultural Conservation". The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to have second and final reading of an ordinance to annex Berkeley County TMS # 232-00-01-063, located at 1102 N. Main Street

owned by Louis Huntley Enterprises, Inc. to be zoned B3, "General Business". The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to have second and final reading of an ordinance to amend the previously approved PUD for the Nexton development. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to have second and final reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS #137-07-04-002 located on W. Richardson Avenue and owned by the Town of Summerville from B2 "Neighborhood Business Center" to B3, "General Business". The motion carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Garten-Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins to adopt a Resolution authorizing the third amendment to the development agreement with Nexton. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to repeal the approved PUD and authorize amendments to the PUD for Limehouse Plantation. Mr. Bailey expressed some concern about connectivity of the road in that area. There being no other comments, the Mayor called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to create the Summerville Redevelopment Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Garten-Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to amend Section 28-46 of the Code of Laws of the Town of Summerville entitled "Designation of Truck Routes" to establish a prohibition of through trucks alone Marion and Richardson Avenues. The motion carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the proposed social media policy. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to enter into executive session at 8:02 p.m. to discuss matters related to a proposed economic development project. Council returned to public session at 8:53 p.m. and announced that no action was taken.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. on motion of Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Jenkins.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services
Clerk and Treasurer

APPROVED:

William C. Collins, Mayor