

Mayor
Ricky Waring

Council Members:
Bob Jackson
Russ Touchberry
Aaron Brown
Terry Jenkins
Kima Garten-Schmidt
William McIntosh



Town Administrator
Lisa Wallace

Town Clerk
Beth Messervy

Town Attorney
G.W. Parker

TOWN of SUMMERVILLE

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES September 8, 2022

ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Ricky Waring, Councilmembers Kima Garten-Schmidt, Bob Jackson, Aaron Brown, Russ Touchberry, Bill McIntosh (via Zoom), and Terry Jenkins. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Lisa Wallace, Town Attorney GW Parker, and Town Clerk Beth Messervy. A quorum was met. Public and press were duly notified. The meeting took place in Council Chambers at 200 South Main Street and was livestreamed from the Town's website.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Waring called the meeting to order at 6:00pm on Thursday, September 8, 2022. Councilman Terry Jenkins gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND STAFF AWARDS

Mayor Ricky Waring commended Russ Cornette and the Town of Summerville Public Works Department on winning the 2022 Public Works Project of the Year from the American Public Works Association. The Mayor then presented proclamations for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, National IT Professionals Day, and Adult Education & Family Literacy Week. Mayor Waring presented a resolution to Frank Nigro in appreciation of his 36 years on the Town of Summerville Police force.

JEFF BARBER – CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Mr. Barber, the Athletic Director at Charleston Southern University, introduced himself to the Mayor and Council. He gave a brief overview of his career in athletics as well as a projection for the future of CSU football. Mr. Barber invited the Mayor and Council to participate in Summerville Appreciation Day at the October 22, 2022 home football game.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2022 Council meeting; the August 18, 2022 Special Council meeting; and the September 6, 2022 Standing Committee meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT – SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Waring opened the floor for public comments for items on the September 8, 2022 agenda. There being none, the Mayor closed this section of the meeting.

PETITIONS N/A

PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Brown made a motion, second by Mr. Jenkins, to give second and final reading to an ordinance supplementing Ordinance 22-0106 of the Town of Summerville and approving the forms of a Preliminary Official Statement and a Bond Purchase Agreement to be executed by the Town in connection with the issuance of not exceeding \$20,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount Limited Obligation Bonds (Tax Increment Pledge), Series 2022. The motion carried 5-1 with Mr. McIntosh voting in opposition and Mr. Touchberry recusing himself from the vote.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Touchberry, to second and final reading to an ordinance to rezone TMS# 137-11-14-005, 414 S. Main Street, approximately 0.64 acres, and owned by 414SMS, LLC, from GR-2, General Residential (2 units/acre), to N-MX, Neighborhood Mixed-Use. (Council District 2). The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Garten-Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to give second and final reading to an ordinance to rezone TMS# 154-13-05-002, on Ladson Road, approximately 9.54 acres, and owned by Summerville Commissioner of Public Works from PL, Public Lands, to G-B, General Business. (Council District 6). The motion carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Touchberry, to give first reading to an ordinance to rezone TMS# 145-11-03-010, 160 Community Road, approximately 2.19 acres, and owned by Classic Car Restoration, LLC from G-B, General Business to PL, Public Lands. (Council District 3). The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to give first reading to an ordinance to rezone TMS#s 130-00-00-008 and -055, 130-00-00-053.999 and 130-00-00-054.999, owned by North Maple MBM, LLC; 130-00-00-057 and -058, owned by 7P Partners, Inc.; and a portion of 130-00-00-021, owned by Dustoff 22, LLC; seven parcels totaling approximately 4.599 acres, from G-B, General Business, to PUD, Planned Development District. The existing North Maple Mixed Use PUD shall be amended to include these parcels for commercial uses. (Council District 1). The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve a resolution adopting a Municipal Securities Post-Issuance Disclosure Policy for the Town of Summerville. Town Administrator Lisa Wallace explained that this resolution is to adopt a policy committed to the timely issuance of financial disclosures. The motion carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to approve the acceptance of a private citizen’s donation of a portion of TMS #152-00-00-043 totaling approximately 1.23 acres near King Charles Circle and Sawmill Branch Trail. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (open)

Mayor Ricky Waring opened the floor for public comments for any topic.

Eric Epstein stated that he has developed a “win-win solution” for the pickleball vs. tennis court debate for the facilities on Laurel Street. He would like to keep the tennis courts in place and add 4 pickleball courts on the property behind the tennis courts.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garten-Schmidt, to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual and legal matters related to American Homes 4 Rent agreement; and a legal matter related to gate on Bailey Drive. The motion carried unanimously, and Council entered into Executive Session at 6:30pm.

Council reconvened at 6:44pm. Town Attorney GW Parker stated that Council met in Executive Session to discuss contractual and legal matters related to American Homes 4 Rent agreement; and a legal matter related to gate on Bailey Drive. He stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to authorize Russ Cornette and Town staff to remove the gate on Bailey Drive. The motion carried unanimously, with Mr. McIntosh voting via an email to the Town Clerk, as he was not able to reconnect virtually after Executive Session.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

APPROVED:

Beth Messervy, Town Clerk

Ricky Waring, Mayor