

TOWN OF SUMMERTON

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

December 28, 2022 at 5:30PM

Council Members: Mr. Tony Junious, Mayor; Mr. Darion Canty, Mayor Pro-Tem; Mrs. Regina Brown; Mrs. LeAnn Berry; Mr. James Lloyd; and Mr. Keith Bowman. Staff/Other: Mrs. Mary Adger, Town Administrator; Mrs. Frances Feagin, Clerk to Council; Mr. Anthony Smith, Public Works Director; and Attorney Ralph Smiley. Absent: Councilman Ritchie Way	PRESENT
Mayor Tony Junious called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.	CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Tony Junious	INVOCATION
Media was notified	NOTIFICATION TO MEDIA
Mr. Allen Price	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilman Canty made a motion to approve the agenda as outlined. Seconded by Councilman Lloyd. All favored the motion.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA
A. To Grant Authorization to Purchase Pump System for one of the Town's Water Systems — Mr. Joey Oliver of Oliver Engineering, Operator. Mr. Oliver said on Dec. 1st, the Town switched from the Goat Island Water System to the Sigfield Water System. It was ran for about 15 days before resuming back on the Goat Island Water System. Once on the Goat Island System, there were some electrical issues which brought down the pump. To pull the pump and check for repairs it will cost approximately \$10,000.00. Another new pump for the lagoon is around \$20,000.00, give or take. Councilman Bowman asked of the age of the pump. Mayor Junious answered that it is five years old. Mayor Junious said that the Town purchased the system five years ago for about \$260,000.00 with a current balance around \$147,000.00 for the loan. The monthly payment of the loan is \$2,825.00. Repairs over the past five years have been around \$150,000.00. Mayor Junious said that since Mr. Oliver took over in October there has been no violations and sanctions with DHEC. DHEC has been pleased with the quality of work that has been presented. Mr. Oliver said that the improvement so far was with the help of the maintenance crew. Councilwoman Brown asked if Council could go into executive session to hear from the Town's Attorney and discuss contractual matters before making a decision.	NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Zoning for Businesses and Residential Properties — Mayor Junious mentioned this is a hot topic that needs to be addressed at the January meeting. The Town has businesses and residences that are dilapidated and some citizens are not satisfied with their neighbors' properties from a safety standpoint. Based on the current ordinance, it is weak. Council is looking for a grant that can assist the citizens the first time with clearing their properties, but afterwards the customer will have to deal with repercussions if not kept up. Council would like for Mr. Robin Fowler, Zoning Administrator, to take a look at different locations in town.	OLD BUSINESS
Councilman Canty made a motion to enter into executive session for Items 7A & 7B, verbatim. Seconded by Councilman Lloyd. All favored the motion.	EXECUTIVE SESSION
Councilman Bowman made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Councilman Lloyd. All favored the motion.	ENTERING OPEN SESSION
Mayor Junious asked if there were actions to take from executive session. Administrator Adger recommended to allow the renewal of the loan up to the cost of the purchase of a new pump and labor.	
Councilman Bowman made a motion to accept the recommendation of Administrator Adger to renew the loan up to the purchase of a new pump and labor. Seconded by Councilman Lloyd. All favored the motion.	
Councilwoman Berry made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Canty. All favored the motion. Meeting ended at 7:36pm. Respectfully Submitted,	ADJOURN
Clerk to Council	