

Town of Summerton

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Minutes of Council Meeting April 10, 2018, At 6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Mac Bagnal, Council Members: Ms. Ellen Ardis, Mrs. Loretta Pollard, Mr. Walker Wells, Mr. Chalmers Stukes, and Mr. Bryan Rembert. Public Works Director William Brailsford, Police Chief Ray Perdue, and Town Clerk Christine Richburg

Absent: Council Member Ritchie Way

CALL TO ORDER -- Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Chalmers Stukes while Town Clerk Christine Richburg held the Bible.

<u>INVOCATION</u> — Mayor Bagnal PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE — All

SWEARING IN OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS – Judge Gene Failmezger swore in the re-elected Mayor, Mac Bagnal, and the re-elected Council Members: Mr. Walker Wells, Mr. Bryan Rembert, and

<u>APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9, 2018, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES --</u> Ms. Ardis made the motion to approve the council minutes of January 9, 2018 as written. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A <u>Update on Briggs vs Elliott Event</u> Mr. Julius Adger congratulated the mayor and council members on their re-election. The Briggs vs Elliott event will be May 19, 2018. Mr. Adger said they are getting applications in for the parade, which is 12:00 PM on May 19, 2018. Mr. Adger said that the event will conclude on Sunday, May 20, at Historical Liberty Hill AME Church; and Pastor Robert China would like for Mayor Bagnal to come and represent the Town of Summerton. The ceremony will start at 4:00 PM on that Sunday. Mayor Bagnal thanked Mr. Adger for coming and said he looks forward to helping with the event.
- B. <u>Declare 2001 Chevrolet 1500 Pick-up Truck as Surplus for Auction</u> Mr. William Brailsford said they were looking to replace the motor in the truck, but after checking, the truck is beyond repair. Mr. Brailsford said he needs Council approval to declare the truck a surplus and have it placed on GovDeals. Mr. Brailsford said he has spoken with the Finance Director, and there are some funds available for purchasing a truck after getting the personnel together. Mr. Rembert made the motion to declare the 2001 Chevrolet 1500 pick-up truck as surplus and place it on GovDeals .com for auction. Mrs. Pollard seconded. All agreed.
- C. Accepting Mr. Trey Phillips Resignation from the Planning Commission —Mr. William Brailsford said Mr. Trey Phillips has given a verbal resignation from the Planning Commission. He has other obligations which will interfere with him devoting time to the Planning Commission. Ms. Ardis made the motion to accept Mr. Trey Phillips' resignation from the Planning Commission. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed.

- D. <u>Consideration of Appointing Mr. Harvey Belser to the Planning Commission—</u>Mr. William Brailsford said that Mr. Harvey Belser has been recommended by Mr. Dickie Felder to be a member of the Planning Commission. Mr. Brailsford said Mr. Belser has sat in on several of the Planning Commission meetings concerning the land use updates. **Ms. Ardis** made the motion to accept Mr. Harvery Belser as a member of the Planning Commission. Mr. Stukes seconded. All agreed.
- E. Request to Install Covered Bench at Church and Main Street—and Do a Painting on the Asphalt at Church and Main Street. Mayor Bagnal said that Mr. Cedric Liqueur is not here to speak about the request. He said that Mr. Liqueur is always doing something at 4 Main, and he urges anyone who has not visited 4 Main to drop by and see what he is doing. He said Mr. Liqueur has done a great job over at 4 Main, and he volunteers his time. Mayor Bagnal said Mr. Liqueur will be placed on the next Council agenda.
- F. Summerton Revitalization Commission Update - Mrs. Beth Phillips congratulated Mayor Bagnal and the re-elected council members. Mrs. Phillips gave an update of the Summerton Revitalization Commission. She said that Summerton Downtown Development Association was a 501C3 non-profit organization formed in 1994. She said for many years, that organization sponsored events coming to Summerton like Lee Greenwood and others, which raised considerable amount of money for Downtown Development. Then the organization went dormant for a while. She said Ms. Laura Ardis kept the tax returns and the status with the secretary of state in good standard. Mrs. Phillips said they have re-organized the group and have changed the name to Summerton Revitalization Commission (SRC). She said the new officers are, Chairperson Jay Bruner, Vice Chairperson Ken Wells, Treasurer Laura Ardis, and Secretary William Johnson. Mrs. Phillips said other members on the board are: Bryan Hacker, William Brailsford, Christina Darby, and herself. She said that she offered herself as a director with a fee of \$1.00 a year. She said businesses can join for \$35 a year; an individual can join for \$25.00 a year. She said one of the things they will be doing is identifying properties to see how the Summerton Revitalization Commission, being a non-profit private organization, can joint venture with the Town and address some of the issues they may be having. She said their 1st event will be in May, which will be an appreciation event for the businesses. She said this event will be sponsored by First Citizen Bank. Mrs. Phillips thanked Council for the opportunity to give an update on SRC. Mayor Bagnal thanked Mrs. Phillips for the update.

STATUS REPORTS: Mayor Bagnal

- The Easter egg hunt was March 31, 2018 with a visit from the Easter bunny where over 1000 eggs were hidden.
- Super Saturday will be April 14, 2018 in Summerton where different events will take place on Cantey Street. Mr. Bryan Hacker and his committee are heading this event.
- Striped Bass Festival is April 21, 2018 in Manning.
- Bird Fest event is May 18 and May 19 in Panola.

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- The Car Show will be June 2, 2018, downtown Summerton.
- Duck Fest is October 13, 2018 with other events starting October 6, 2018.
- Movie night will be the 1st Monday after school is out, probably June 11, 2018.
- Raj Patel, the manager of the Short Trip Stores has purchased the old Piggly Wiggly.
 Mr. Patel has a group from Texas doing a study of this area for a Save A Lot or an IGA
 Store. Mayor Bagnal said he is trying to encourage Mr. Patel to put an IGA Store there.
 There will not be an announcement until the study is finished on April 20, 2018.
 Mrs. Pollard was curious as to when the store would probably open. Mayor Bagnal said
 Mr. Patel is currently working with Mr. Lamar Kennedy, former manager of IGA in
 Manning, to purchase equipment for the store, and he anticipates opening around the
 end of this year.

UPDATES FROM STAFF

Police Chief Perdue:

- Chief Perdue gave Council his report, which listed the total amount of tickets written for March was 129 of this 14 were warning tickets. The total amounts of fines collected were \$31,054.76.
- Chief Perdue said "Kids Night Out Event" will be Friday, June 15 starting at 6:00 PM, on 4th Street at the Community Center. This event is being sponsored by the Clarendon County Sheriff's Department, Town of Turbeville, and the Town of Summerton.

Public Works Director Brailsford:

• Mr. Brailsford said he met with Mr. Rusty Craven (USDA), Attorney William Johnson, and Mr. David Hunt (Town Engineer) on March 20, 2018, concerning the North Summerton Water Project. He said they are projecting to put this project out for bids around July and start construction around September. He said one important thing that was pointed out is that the Town would need to take a serious look at the compliance issues with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Council was concerned with the cost of the repairs to be in compliance with ADA. Mr. Brailsford said that USDA has a community facility grant that operates on the general side that helps with issues and repairs. Mayor Bagnal said for Mr. Brailsford to make some notes and have them ready for the budget meeting. Mrs. Pollard was concerned if there was a deadline for the repairs.

Mr. Brailsford said right now all he needs is to get a transition plan to USDA identifying all the problems that we do have. He said part of the transition plan is to give a projected date when each particular issue will be addressed. Mayor Bagnal said the Town needs to set a plan now. Mr. Brailsford said it is best to address the smaller items

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first then work toward the bigger items over the next 4 to 5 years. Mr. Rembert said that USDA can't make you change anything, because you are grandfathered in but if you build anything new, it has to meet ADA requirements. He said when you apply for funds from USDA, you will be required to present a plan of how you will change the items to meet ADA compliance before they will release any funding. Ms. Ardis wanted to know if Council needed to have a meeting with the Finance Director to discuss the ADA Compliance with the budget. Mr. Brailsford said he would not recommend pushing that into this year budget because we need to identify the issues and get with contractors and get estimates of the cost.

- Mr. Brailsford said Mr. Barry McCarthy from the street department is out with a broken leg. The water department is short one man, and the street department is short one man. Mr. Brailsford said Mayor Bagnal and himself have been discussing the possibility of getting some quotes from contractors to cut the grass out of town like the Goat Island areas. He said the Town would cut those areas first to determine the time, the fuel, and the manpower; then check the expense with the quotes from the contractors. Mr. Brailsford said the Town is bringing in the projected numbers as was figured from the Goat Island Water System.
- Mr. Brailsford said on April 17, 2018, he will be meeting with Mr. Bill Taylor (MASC), Robin Fowler (SafeBuilt), Attorney William Johnson, Judge Percy Harvin, and someone from the fire department concerning the dilapidated building. He said the main building to discuss is at Buff Blvd and South Church Street.
- Mr. Brailsford said the flatbed truck is having some issues with the transmission. He said a used transmission for that truck would be around \$1500 to \$2000 not including labor.
- Mr. Brailsford said there was no map of the Taw Caw area water sites. He said since then he has been in contact with Ms. Kimberly Rutledge, Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project, who is funded through USDA, to do GPS mapping; and, they are helping to do mapping for that and other areas.
- Mr. Brailsford said in case someone ask, at the corner of Furse and Urbana Road, there will be a 90 acre solar panel site.
- Mr. Brailsford said there is a new business in town called "Get Fit Training", which is a fitness center.

Mrs. Pollard had a few questions concerning the cleaning of the property on Buff Blvd, the sale of the property on Mayland Drive, the new business on Main Street, and the sale of the Harvin house on Duke Street. Mayor Bagnal said that's private property on Buff Blvd. Mr. Brailsford said attorney Johnson has not gotten in touch with him about the Mayland Drive property –

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Mr. Bryan Hacker's wife will be opening a dress shop on Main Street and the Harvin house is still up for sale.

<u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AS IT RELATES TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA</u>—Mrs. Janet Caldwell introduced herself and said she recently moved back to the Liberty Hill area in Summerton, and she is very impressed with what is going on in Summerton. Mrs. Beth Phillips said she has spoken with Mr. Raj Patel on behalf of the Summerton Revitalization Commission to see if he needed a petition for citizens in Summerton to sign expressing that they would support a grocery store in Summerton. Mayor Bagnal told Mr. Fred Richburg they would like to donate some of the proceeds from Duck Fest to replace the basketball nets at Wassau Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Ms. Ardis made the motion to go into executive session. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed. **Ms. Ardis** made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed. **Mr. Rembert** made the motion to authorize Mr. Brailsford to proceed with the repairs of the flatbed transmission with the amount determined not to exceed what was discussed in executive session; and also, to authorize Mr. Brailsford to proceed with hiring additional employees within the guidelines set forth in executive session. Mr. Wells seconded. All agreed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>—Mr. Wells made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

More to Richburg

Christine Richburg

Town Clerk



Jown of Summerton

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Minutes of Council Meeting March 13, 2018, At 6:00 PM

<u>Present</u>: Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Ardis, Other Members: Mr. Walker Wells and Mr. Bryan Rembert. Public Works Director William Brailsford, Police Chief Ray Perdue, and Town Clerk Christine Richburg <u>Absent</u>: Mayor Mac Bagnal, Council Members: Mrs. Loretta Pollard, Mr. Chalmers Stukes, and Mr. Ritchie Way.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ardis said we do not have a quorum.

A QUORUM WAS NOT PRESENT. MEETING CANCELLED.

Submitted,

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Town Clerk

NOTICE

THE SUMMERTON TOWN **COUNCIL MEETING** SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, **FEBRUARY 13, 2018** AT 6:00 PM HAS BEEN CANCELED **DUE TO A QUORUM WILL** NOT BE PRESENT. THE MEETING WILL BE RESCHEDULED FOR A LATER DATE



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Minutes of Council Meeting January 9, 2018, At 6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Mac Bagnal, Council Members: Ms. Ellen Ardis, Mr. Walker Wells, Mr. Chalmers Stukes, Mr. Bryan Rembert, Mrs. Loretta Pollard and Mr. Ritchie Way. Public Works Director William Brailsford, Police Chief Ray Perdue, and Town Clerk Christine Richburg

CALL TO ORDER -- Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.

INVOCATION - Mayor Bagnal

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -- All

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 12, 2017, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES -- Ms. Ardis had a question for Mr. Brailsford from the last minutes, concerning the repair cost of the tank leaks at Goat Island. She wanted to know if Council needed to vote on the repair cost. Mr. Brailsford informed her that no vote was necessary for the cost of the repairs. Ms. Ardis made the motion to approve the minutes of Council meeting December 12, 2017 as written. Mr. Wells seconded. All agreed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A <u>Presentation by Friends of Summerton</u> – Mrs. Beth Hinson-Phillips. Mrs. Phillips said she has been meeting with some people of Summerton who have expressed an interest in getting involved with Summerton in a focused and organized way. She said one of the things that has impressed her is how the mayor of Summerton organized the Duck Fest. She said the potential of the Duck Fest on a statewide southeastern regional level is phenomenal. Mrs. Phillips said that's why it is so important to have a group of people who are excited about Summerton. She said in the last year, events in Summerton have included Duck Fest, car show, Easter egg hunt, Christmas on Main, and movie night for the kids. She said now the Rocket Girls display will be featured at 4 Main. She said very few towns of this size are featuring the events that Summerton is doing. Mrs. Phillips said the *Friends of Summerton* is hoping to be more involved with Summerton; and this way, in the event someone is interested in being a part of the planning commission, zoning board, or council, someone from the group would be ready. She said it is free to join the *Friends of Summerton*. She thanked Mayor and Council for the great work they are doing for Summerton, and she thanked the mayor for his leadership. Mayor Bagnal thanked Mrs. Beth Hinson-Phillips for her presentation.

STATUS REPORT - Mayor Bagnal

- Mayor Bagnal suggested for Council to stop by 4 Main to see the new exhibit on display. He said Mr. Cedric Liqueur has donated a lot of time with the events and displays.
- Mayor Bagnal said four seats are up on council including his seat. He said he will run again for mayor, and he suggested that the others on council, who wished to run, pick up their petitions.



- Mayor Bagnal said for Council to make sure they file their Statement of Economic Interest report before the due date of March 30, 2018.
- Mayor Bagnal said he has received a lot of positive feedback about Christmas on Main.

UPDATE FROM STAFF -

Police Chief Perdue -

- He gave Council a copy of his report, which showed 66 total calls came into the police department. There were 209 tickets written and 22 warning tickets written. The total collected from the tickets was \$46,757.60.
- He said no accidents were reported during the snow, only outside Summerton. Mrs. Pollard thanked Chief Perdue for how he went around Summerton checking on the community to make sure they were safe.

Public Works Director Brailsford -

- He said we usually do 5 to 6 work orders in a day. He said on the 1-8-2018, we had 18 work orders with waterlines bursting from in Town, Goat Island to Gin Pond. He said the worst leak was on Caldwell Street, and the second worst leak was on North Dukes Street.
- The lift station at Santee Campground is still in the talking stage. Ms. Ardis wanted to know if there were any problems at North Shore. Mr. Brailsford said the automatic well control needs repair. He said the parts have been ordered. In the meantime, he said we have to cut the pump on manually and let it fill up and monitor it throughout the day. Mr. Stukes wanted to know, concerning the lift station at Santee Campground, if Summerton would take over and maintain the lift station, shouldn't the town have a say so in how it is built. Mr. Brailsford said yes Summerton would be involved with the building decision.
- The Rocket Girls exhibit will be January 23 through February 28. There will be an opening Ceremony at the Cultural Arts Center on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 8:30AM with the guest speaker Captain Kayla Hill, a Squadron Pilot from Charleston. A F-16 Fighter Jet static display from Shaw Airforce Base will be placed in the Ridgeway Park area on January 23 and 24. All the schools have been invited to attend. Mr. Cedric Liqueur is in charge of all the displays.
- There is an article in the Clarendon County Historical News Letter on 4 Main as a place to visit.
- There was damage to the center pivot where one of the small misters was damaged.

<u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AS IT RELATES TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA</u> --No comments from the public. Ms. Ardis wanted to know about the problems the customers had at Goat Island whether that was the customer's problem or was it on the Town. Mr. Brailsford said it was on the Town. He said the problem was with the air compressor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No items for executive session.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – Ms. Ardis made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Richburg, Town Clerk



Jown of Summerlan

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Minutes of Council Meeting December 12, 2017, At 6:00 PM

Present: Mayor Mac Bagnal, Council Members: Ms. Ellen Ardis, Mr. Walker Wells, Mr. Chalmers Stukes, and Mr. Bryan Rembert. Attorney William Johnson, Public Works Director William Brailsford, Police Chief Ray Perdue, and Town Clerk Christine Richburg

Absent: Council Members, Mrs. Loretta Pollard and Mr. Ritchie Way

CALL TO ORDER -- Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

INVOCATION - Mr. Stukes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -- All

<u>APPROVAL OF November 14, 2017, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES --</u> Mr. Rembert made the motion to approve the minutes of Council meeting November 14, 2017 as written. Mr. Wells seconded. All agreed.

STAUS REPORT - Mayor Bagnal

- Summerton hosted Christmas on Main Street on November 29, 2017, which was a big success.
- The Downtown Development paid for the lighted snowflakes for Main Street, which cost approximately \$2200.

Mayor Bagnal said he would like for Mrs. Beth Phillips to talk about the Friends of Summerton.

Mrs. Phillips thanked the Mayor and Council for giving her the opportunity to speak. She said their group would like to be put on the agenda for the next council meeting in order to discuss more concerning their group. She said this is a group that is interested in the growth of Summerton. She said they have put together a host of people that would be groomed and trained in the event if Council needs to appoint someone to the Planning Commission or the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mrs. Phillips thanked the Mayor and Council for all the work they do for the Town. She thanked Mr. William Brailsford and the public works guys for their hard work with *Christmas on Main*. She also complimented Mr. Cedric Liqueur on the great work he is doing at 4 Main. Mayor Bagnal urged everyone when they have some time to stop by 4 Main and see what is going on there.

UPDATE FROM STAFF

Public Works Director Brailsford -

- There is a leak in the tank at the Goat Island Water System, which will cost around \$1000.
- On the wastewater side, Mr. Brailsford said our engineer has been contracted by the owner of
 the Santee Lakes Campground to build a lift station or sewer pump station and have it tied
 into the town force main that runs from North Shore to the wastewater treatment plant.
 Mr. Brailsford said the owner of the Santee Lakes Campground will build the lift station and



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after completion, would turn it over to the Town of Summerton to own, operate, and maintain. He said if this takes effect, then Council would need to come up with a rate usage for the campground. Mr. Stukes was curious if there was a flow meter on the well. Mr. Brailsford said according to the owner of the campground, he would build it to whatever specification we needed. Mr. Rembert wanted to know what size was the lift station. Mr. Brailsford said their lift station if it ties into the Town would be 6-inch.

- Cedric Liqueur will have The Rocket Girls on display January 9, through February 28, 2018, at 4
 Main. This will be a static display from the Rocket Girl's Museum out of Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Mr. Liqueur will also have a female air force pilot to speak from Charleston on January 9, 2018, along with other speakers.
- Mr. Brailsford and Mr. Liqueur have been invited to go to Charleston in March of next year to a
 nationwide conference to talk about the Popup Theater.

Police Chief Perdue – He said everything was going well with the police department. He encouraged everyone to call 911 anytime they see something that looks suspicious, especially during the holiday season.

<u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AS IT RELATES TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA</u> – Mayor Bagnal thanked Attorney William Johnson and other guests for attending the meeting. No comments from the public.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – Ms. Ardis made the motion to go in executive session for personnel matters. Mr. Wells seconded. All agreed. Ms. Ardis made the motion to come out of executive session with no action taken. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agree. Ms. Ardis made the motion to authorize the Mayor to resolve personnel issues as discussed. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – Mr. Wells made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Rembert seconded. All agreed. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Richburg

Town Clerk