



# Town of Summerton

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## Minutes of Council Meeting March 9, 2021 at 6:00PM

**Present:** Mayor Mac Bagnal, Council Members: Mr. Bryan Rembert, Mr. Terrance Tindal, Mr. Walker Wells, and Mr. Chalmers Stukes. Town Administrator Beth Phillips, Finance Director Amanda Salka, Clerk Feagin

**Absent:** Council Members: Mr. Ritchie Way and Mrs. Regina Brown

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION** – Mayor Bagnal

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – All

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Mr. Rembert motion to approve agenda as written. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed.

### **NEW BUSINESS** –

a. Presentation of Audit Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020 – Sheheen, Hancock & Godwin LLP. The Audit was presented, it started off with it being mentioned that there were no internal control findings at all. It was said that it's a compliment to the staff of the hard work that they do. There was an outline of the audit report that was given along with the audit, which the auditing firm went over briefly with council. It was suggested to have a rate study done, due to our water rates being really low comparable to other municipalities the same size. They thanked Mrs. Beth, Mrs. Amanda and Mrs. Frances for all the hard work that they did to provide the documentation for the audit. Mayor Bagnal mentioned that we inherited the Summerton Project and we weren't aware of the situation. We need to be comparable to the other towns our size, we need to get up to date on our rates (not only water & sewer).

### **UPDATES FROM STAFF** –

- a. Mayor Bagnal updated on Anthony that he does have a injured knee and is out due to that. We are glad that Mrs. Frances is back from her surgery. We are short by a few employees from different departments. So please be patient with us. He thanked the guests that came to the meeting. He mentioned Duckfest is coming back this year.



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- b. Chief Perdue provided a copy of the monthly report. We do have the 2 new cars, hopefully the 2<sup>nd</sup> one be in service as of next Thursday. We have computers to be installed in the cars. We applied for a grant with MASC for some vests, and we are waiting for a quote for it.
  - c. Mrs. Frances mentioned the new procedure of the Waste Management Trash pickup. We are down to a one-man truck. Need to make sure that there are no obstacles around the trashcan. Instructions will be added to the upcoming water bills.
  - d. Mrs. Amanda said that she spoke with Meredith, who works with the auditing firm. She is helping her with gathering the documentation for finances.
  - e. Mrs. Beth we do have a preliminary report for review. We have Amanda as Finance Director / Town Clerk, we have Frances as Court Clerk / Water Clerk and doing some Town Clerk duties. We are looking at some possible candidates for employment. We have done some improvements within the building. We have cleaned and blocked off some of the HVAC vents. We are focusing on maintenance of the building.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mr. Wells made a motion to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed.

**UPON RETURNING TO THE OPEN SESSION, COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mr. Rembert made a motion to exit executive session with no action taken. Seconded by Mr. Tindal, all agreed.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Rembert made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:06PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Francis Feagin  
Clerk

