

# Town of Summerton

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### Minutes of Council Meeting July 13, 2021 at 6:00PM

Present. Mayor Bagnal, Council Members: Mr. Bryan Rembert, Mr. Terrance Tindal and Mr. Walker Wells and Mrs. Regina Brown. Also present was Mrs. Amanda Salka, Town Administrator, Ray Perdue, Chief of Police, Jay Kates, Public Works Director, William Johnson, Town Attorney, Shaquona White, Utility Clerk.

Absent: Council Members: Mr. Chalmers Stukes and Mr. Ritchie Way.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p. m.

**INVOCATION** – Councilman Walker Wells

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - All

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> – Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Mrs. Brown, all was in favor.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> – Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2020, December 17, 2020, March 31, 2021, May 11, 2021 and May 13, 2021 to be as written. Mr. Rembert further stated, additional make a motion to approve the minutes of February 9, 2021, March 9, 2021, April 7, 2021, June 15, 2021 and June 28, 2021 with a few corrections being made of the missing attendance on said minutes. Also add to the motion the minutes for January 5, 2021 for approval after the corrections being made on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all was in favor.

**ACCEPT AS INFORMATION** – Financials of June 2021 were accepted for review.

#### **NEW BUSINESS** –

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading to amend Ordinance to increase Water/Sewer Rates will be included in Item #7 under Old Business.
- b. Resolution making July to be Fair Housing Month Mrs. Salka stated that the town is applying for a grant and the Resolution is needed to be approved by Council to be placed in the paper. This must be done so that the Town can apply for the grant. This grant is for in town residents only. It will be for the Storm Drains and Water/Sewer lines. Mr.



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Rembert made a motion to create the resolution to make the month of July Fair Housing Month. Seconded by Mr. Tindal, all was in favor.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of 2021/2022 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance No. 21-001 – Mr. Rembert asked if there were anything changed. Mrs. Salka said no changes. Attorney William Johnson said nothing in the numbers changes. The language of the Ordinance was amended to include the 5% rate increase in the Water/Sewer rates. This was included for the budget to be able to balance.

#### STAFF UPDATES -

- a. Police Dept. Chief Perdue submitted a monthly report for Council to review and ask questions if they had any. He informed Council that he is still working on a grant for the Police Department. He informed Council that 2 radios were purchased for 2 police cars and a handheld radio was also purchased.
- b. Public Works Dept. Public Works Director Jay Kates informed Council that the Boil Water Notice had been lifted for the Goat Island and Sigfield areas and that the tank has been replaced. All samples from DHEC and Town came back clear. The Town has 120 days to get all the things fixed on all the systems that were listed on the Consent Orders. 180 days to get all the tanks in order from the Consent Orders.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Mr. Rembert made a motion to go into executive session. Seconded by Mrs. Brown, all was in favor.

Mr. Rembert made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Mrs. Brown, all was in favor.

<u>WATTERS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – Mr. Rembert made a motion to waive the \$5.00 Penalty Fee that was placed on the water bills on June 15, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all was in favor.

### ADJOURNMENT -

Respectfully Submitted,

Frances Feagin
Deputy Town Clerk