

# Town of Summerton

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## Minutes of Town Council Meeting June 15, 2021 at 6:00PM

**Present**. Mayor Bagnal, Council Members: Mr. Bryan Rembert, Mr. Walker Wells, and Mr. Chalmers Stukes. Also present was Mrs. Salka, Town Administrator, Mrs. Feagin, Deputy Town Clerk, Mrs. Shaquona White, Utility Clerk and Chief of Police Ray Perdue

Absent: Council Members: Mr. Ritchie Way, Mrs. Regina Brown and Mr. Terrance Tindal.

**CALL TO ORDER** — Mayor Bagnal called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

**INVOCATION** – Mr. Stukes

### <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> – All

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> – Mayor Bagnal asked to amend the Agenda to remove Item #7a Old Business. Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve the amended agenda by removing #7a. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u> – November 2020 – May 13, 2021 minutes presented to Council to approve. Mr. Rembert stated that Mrs. Frances will be delivering December minutes by email tomorrow. Mr. Rembert made a motion to accept for review, to be approved at the next Council Meeting. Seconded by MR. Stukes, all agreed.

#### **ACCEPT AS INFORMATION** –

a. Financials for review, May 2021 – Mr. Wells made a motion to accept Financials as information. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed.

### **NEW BUSINESS** –

a. Update on 4 Main Projects – Mr. Cedric provided Council with a copy of the update on the 4 Main Projects. He briefly went over them with Council. The center was closed during COVID for maintenance and repairs. Getting it ready for Duckfest. The building is not up to code and needs to be up to code. During the discussion of different projects, Mr. Rembert asked about the Hemp House project. He asked who would have the deed to the house. Mr. Cedric said that it would be the property owner. Mrs. Amanda asked about possibly opening a separate account for the 4 Main Projects, instead of placing the funds into the water checking account. Mr. Rembert made a motion to open another



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account for the 4 Main projects. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed. Mr. Cedric mentioned the air quality in the Town Hall building. Mr. Rembert explained what the EPA did to access locations, that they normally deal with contaminated soils not air quality.

- b. Purchase of a Truck for Water/Sewer Department Mrs. Amanda said that we are in need of a truck. The Dodge is having issues and the Flat Bed needs to be replaced. The town needs a F250 to pull the trailer, with possibly a wench on the front of the truck. Mrs. Salka mentioned that I will have to get 3 quotes for the purchase of the truck. Mayor Bagnal asked Chief to get some prices on the truck to present to Council at the next meeting.
- c. Code Red Program Mrs. Amanda said that we had this in place in the past. Mr. Rembert made a motion to table until the next Council Meeting, July 13, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed.

#### **UPDATES FROM STAFF** –

- a. Police Department Chief Perdue submitted his monthly report for months of May and June 2021. I don't have a whole lot to bring to Council. I did sell the Impala on GovDeals. I will be glad to answer any questions if anyone has any.
- b. Water Department Mrs. Shaquona White is getting acquainted with the customers. I am excited for the new payment system. And we are getting a handle of the lateness of the bills going out. We have done away with the Credit/Debit card payments in the office, it is only over the phone or online. We are working on a work order system, to get the calls answered in a timely manner.
- c. Court Department Mrs. Feagin said that the Court Department is running more smoothly since the computers are in the cars. I will try to have a report for this month at the next month's meeting. We do have one officer that is still handwriting tickets. In the Zoning Department, I am getting with the Chairperson of Zoning Board of Appeals and Chairperson of Planning Commission on some questions that have been presented. We got some information on Speedway. We had a question on the distance between a business that wants to sell alcohol to a school. I will research the ordinance book to verify that. Speedway has sent some signage plats for viewing.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – Mr. Wells made a motion to enter executive session. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed. Mr. Rembert made a motion to exit executive session with no action taken. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed.



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#### **UPON RETURNING TO OPEN SESSION, COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON**

MATTERS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mr. Rembert made a motion to move employee from Water/Sewer Department to the Street Department. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed. Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve pay increase for employee as discussed. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed. Mr. Rembert made a motion to promote Amanda Salka as Town Administrator, at agreed upon rate. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed. Mr. Rembert made a motion to approve hiring of Chandler Scott at agree upon rate for the Water/Sewer Department. Seconded by Mr. Stukes, all agreed. Mr. Rembert made a motion approve the plat provided to us as surveyed by Davis Mitchum and identified as Tax Map #078-15-02-024-00 & a portion of Tax Map# 078-15-02-006-00. A copy will be provided to Mrs. Frances to be added to the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Wells, all agreed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – Mr. Wells made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Rembert, all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frances Feagin

Clerk