

**City of Fountain Inn
Called Council Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2016 – 6pm – Council Chambers**

MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor, Sam Lee
Matthew King
John Mahony
Andrew Stoddard

Phil Clemmer
Berry Woods, Jr.
Rose Ann Woods

STAFF PRESENT:

Eddie Case (City Administrator)
Roger Case (Public Works)
Melissa Woods (Police)
David Holmes (City Attorney)
Judge Tammy Finley (Judicial)

Ronnie Myers (Fire)
Mike Pitman (Gas)
Carolyn Keller (Administration)
Byron Rucker (Economic Development)
Naomi Buckmire-Reed (Clerk)

VISITORS: 19

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sam Lee called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Administrator Eddie Case gave prayer.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS:

Russell Haltiwanger recognized Chris Barrineau on his time and tenure with the Recreation Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mart Harrod addressed council regarding the noise level coming from Triple M. Councilman Clemmer asked if the officers have been out and did any noise level testing. Chief Morton confirmed that since June 10, 2015 they have been out 19 times. The acceptable decibel reading for residential is different than for the business district. Each reading was acceptable decibel readings for that area according to the levels set by the noise ordinance. John Mahony asked what the readings were. Chief Morton informed council that he had them on file after reading a few readings.

CONSENT AGENDA:

March 10, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2016 Budget Workshop Minutes

Motion by John Mahony, second by Phil Clemmer to approve minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously 7/0

DEPARTMENTAL AND ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

POLICE: Chief Morton gave a report on the recent armed robberies at Heritage Park and noted that Fountain Inn PD apprehended two of the 3 suspects. He also mentioned they are working diligently to make an arrest in the home invasion that took place the night before. He stressed their calendar motto: "If you see something, Say something." Also, the new taser law stipulates that unless the officers are being attacked they are not able to utilize their taser.

PUBLIC WORKS: Roger Case stated there were 38 permits for the month of March. Fountainbrook is expanding into their 3rd phase. West Farm is in their 2nd phase. Village at Fountain Inn has finalized their inspections. Jonesville Crossing will be installing drain lines.

RECREATION: Opening Day, April 9th, was a huge success. There were between 800-900 citizens in attendance.

NATURAL GAS: March was a dismal month. However, they took 61 applications for the month of March. On 04/11/16 High pressure expansion began. They have started work on Lakeview Terrace. There is also a new subdivision going in at Parker and Neely Ferry Road.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Bandstands start the next day and they have had great participation from sponsors this year. Byron extended the invitation for everyone to come out and join the fun from 7-9pm of Friday evenings.

JUDICIAL: Began the new alarm installation.

FIRE: Chief Myers has extended two job offers for new firefighters. The firefighters will be going door to door checking smoke detectors.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Eddie Case gave his report. He highlighted the Tiger grant application. Councilman Berry Woods would like to bring before council for full consideration the Tiger Grant as it relates to the Greenlink and public transportation before the City moves forward.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2016-004: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 11 – LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS BY ADDING ARTICLE VIII “OUTDOOR DISPLAYS AND CAFÉ’S” AND VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

City Attorney David Holmes gave a brief overview of the proposed ordinance.

Motion by Phil Clemmer, second by Berry Woods to approve first reading of Ordinance 2016-004. The motion carried unanimously 7/0

NEW BUSINESS

The Fire Committee – represented by Chief Ronnie Myers presented a recommendation to council to declare the vehicles and the equipment listed to sell as surplus and that the surplus would cover the cost of the trailer and storage closet.

The request was approved 6/1. Berry Woods voted no.

ORDINANCE 2016-003 2016-2017 FY BUDGET ORDINANCE.

Eddie Case reviewed the highlights of the budget.

Mayor Lee and Councilman Clemmer commended Eddie Case, department heads, staff, and Jill Vales for their hard work on the budget.

Motion by Matthew King, second by Phil Clemmer to approve first reading of Ordinance 2016-003 FY 2016-2017 Budget. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Eddie reviewed the following items for Mayor and Council:

Fountain Inn Chamber Banquet – Tuesday, April 19, 2016

Community Survey due in by April 22, 2016 <http://www.fountaininn.or/survey.html>

New City Master Plan Public Meeting – Tuesday, April 26, 2016 @ 6pm, Activities Center, 610 Fairview Street

MASC Achievement Award Filming – Thursday, April 28, 2016

MASC Elected Officials Institute – May 5, 2016 info on MASC website

MASC Annual Meeting -July 14-17, 2016 – Charleston Place Hotel

February – April Financials will be available in May

Mayor Lee advised Councilmembers that an Executive Session was not necessary.

Mayor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17pm. Matthew King second. Motion carried unanimously 7/0

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Respectfully submitted,

Naomi Buckmire
City Clerk