

**City of Fountain Inn
Council Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2015 – 6pm – Council Chambers**

MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRESENT:

Erick Chapman
Matthew King
Mayor, Gary Long
John Mahony

Michael Maier
Berry Woods, Jr.
Rose Ann Woods

STAFF PRESENT:

Russell Alexander (Fire)
Chris Barrineau (Recreation)
Van Broad (Eco Dev/Per Arts)
Eddie Case (City Administrator)
Roger Case (Public Works)
David Holmes (City Attorney)

Steve Ivester (HR)
Mike Pitman (Gas)
Diane Turner (Comm Dev)
Melissa Woods (Police)
Sandra Woods (Administration)

VISITORS: 2

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Long called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Rose Ann Woods gave prayer.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:*

Minutes: 2/12/2015

February 2015 Budget Report – Motion by Rose Ann Woods to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Report is on file with the City Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS

R 2015-002 CDBG Allocation of CDBG and HOME Funding

Eddie Case reviewed the allocation and five year plan with Council. Below is the allocation of funds for Program Year 2015.

	<u>CDBG</u>	<u>HOME</u>
County Allocation	\$73,905	\$23,523
Program Income	\$ 5,000	\$30,000
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Total	\$78,905	\$53,523

Motion by Matthew King, 2nd John Mahony to approve the resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously 7/0

Ordinance 2015-003 to amend Chapter 11, Article II in its entirety to adopt the NAICS system for classifying businesses; to provide an effective date; and other matters related thereto. (First Reading)

Attorney, David Holmes reminded Council that we discussed this about a year ago that we need to move from the SIC code to the North American Industrial Codes (NAIC). The Municipal Association has recommended that all cities go to this code because it is reviewed and updated. The MASC did a study and proposed how the businesses should be classified. The Public Works Committee met and recommends to move to this new code.

Motion by the Public Works Committee to approve the NAIC code system on first reading. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

R 2015-005 Proposed building permit fees

Mayor Long explained that the building permit fees have not been increased in about 18 years. The Public Works Committee met and approved the increase. The increase will go into effect April 1, 2015.

The following is a schedule of the basic building permit fee schedule. The remaining building permit fees, unless indicated below, remain unchanged:

Description	Current Fee	Change Fee To
Base Fee	\$25.00	\$40.00
Electrical Amps	\$.15	\$.20
Breakers	1.50	\$2.50
Plumbing Fixtures	\$2.50	\$4.00

Motion by the Public Works Committee to approve R 2015-005 as presented. The motion carried Unanimously 7/0.

R 2015-004 from Planning Commission - Approval of Jones Crossing – PD “Planned Development”

The Fountain Inn Planning Commission met on Tuesday February 24, 2015 to hear request for FI-2015-001, for Final Development Plan for Highlands at Carolina Springs (Eagle Springs) Zone II.

Greenville County Planning Commission recommended approval for the Final Development Plan in Zone II and the Fountain Inn Planning Commission voted unanimously in favor of the Final Development Plan.

The Fountain Inn Planning Commission presents this status report to Mayor and City Council.

Motion by Planning Commission approved 7/0

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 2015-002 to amend the city code of ordinances by amending section 4-1 entitled: Definitions to amend the definition of the words “Public Place” and various provisions relating thereto. (First Reading)

Van Broad with Economic Development made a presentation to the Economic Development Committee about the creation of a Hospitality District at Commerce Park. This would allow the city to sell alcoholic beverages on the street and sidewalk areas in the Hospitality District similar to what the city of Greenville does during special events. Mr. Broad indicated that this would enhance Commerce Park and make it more flexible for use during special events. Mr. Broad presented a diagram that depicted fences or gate type barriers to identify the area where alcoholic beverages could be sold. Now that restaurants are opening up in downtown, there is also some interest in allowing small “sidewalk cafes” in which a restaurant owner could sell and serve alcoholic beverages. That will be decided later.

To create the Hospitality District and to allow the possession of alcoholic beverages, the ordinance must be amended to re-define “public place.” The ordinance also clarifies the names of the public facilities where the possession of alcoholic beverages is allowed.

The Economic Development Committee approved the amendment to the ordinance unanimously.

Resolution 2015-003 to amend Alcohol Event Policy as a result of changes made to city code of ordinances Section 4-1.

The city has not allowed the sale of alcoholic beverages at public facilities. To this point, alcoholic beverages could be served, but they could not be sold. Mr. Broad believes that in order to be competitive with similar facilities, the city should allow the sale of alcoholic beverages at public facilities. With the changes being made to the ordinance (Section 4-1(c), the policy for alcohol events would need to be

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changed. The purpose of the change would be to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages; however, all of the other requirements of the alcohol event policy would still have to be met. The event sponsor would be required to obtain a special permit from the City Administrator, liability insurance, and would have to get all of the appropriate licenses from the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

Motion by Economic Dev committee to approve the revised Alcohol Event Policy. The motion carried 6/1. Rose Ann Woods opposed.

Motion by Mike Maier, second by Matthew King to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Woods
City Clerk and Treasurer