

*South Carolina*  
***SPRINGDALE***

**MINUTES**

Town Council Work Session

April 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers – Springdale Town Hall, 2915 Platt Springs Road

The media and public were duly notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Bishop, Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, Councilmembers Hallman, Fecas, and Town Administrator Jeff Stilwell.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilmembers Wilkerson, Reeley, and Peters, and Town Attorney Danny Scott.

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation. Mayor Bishop led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Consent Agenda**

A. Approval of Agenda. Council approved the consent agenda without objection.

**III. Old Business**

A. Discuss Current Projects, Concerns, and Action Steps. Administrator Stilwell informed Council of his meetings with DOT and Dennis Corporation concerning projects coming out of the traffic study. He stated that Dennis Corporation should have plans and cost estimates ready to take to DOT for approval. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard asked if signs were part of the original plan and Administrator Stilwell responded that designing the signs was not on the original plan, but that Dennis Corporation proposed to design them as well as other traffic calming measures. Administrator Stilwell and the Council discussed DOT's refusal to place traffic light mast arms at the intersection of Platt Springs Road and Tarrytown Lane. Councilmember Fecas asked whether Council should send DOT a letter concerning the traffic lights and Administrator Stilwell said that the Council could and also discussed suggestions for painting traffic lines. Mayor Bishop stated that he would also reach out to DOT. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard asked about effects of the intersection and Administrator Stilwell answered that it would let people know they are in Springdale and discussed the work that would be done. Council discussed further DOT requirements, traffic calming efforts, and necessary steps for the projects.

Councilmember Fecas discussed the need for more sidewalks and bike lanes on the southern side of Town near Airport Boulevard and Boston Avenue as well as sidewalks by Springdale Elementary School. Council discussed adding sidewalks to Watling Road for pedestrians and golf carts. Council asked Chief Cornett for his opinions and he discussed other municipalities that have separate paths for golf carts. The Council further discussed the renovations surrounding the school. Councilmember Fecas asked for an update on the Roof property and Administrator Stilwell said that he discussed the property with Mr. Wayne Roof, including discussing the upkeep of the property and Administrator Stilwell recommended to

Mr. Roof that he should prepare it to be commercial property. Council discussed potential commercial uses for the property. Mayor Pro Tem Ricard further discussed the need for sidewalks going in at the new subdivision to connect it, the school, and Hollydale Drive.

#### B. Discuss Future Projects.

Councilmember Fecas asked for an update on Parrish Plantation stormwater efforts and Administrator Stilwell stated that he needed approval for the proof roll before the Town could begin on the punch list for Lexington County. He also discussed the capturing of beavers at Parrish Pond to help lower the pond levels. The Council discussed options for repairs of the stormwater drainage, pond, and the roads in the subdivision and how to get the pond owner to take action to address the problems.

### **IV. New Business**

A. Retail Strategies Proposal. Administrator Stilwell informed Council of his discussions with the firm Retail Strategies to bring new businesses into Town.

B. Land Fair Discussion. Administrator Stilwell also discussed having an event outside of the Town of Springdale to help market the town to investors or participate in an investment training seminar to help Council learn how investors think. Council discussed attending a conference for investors and setting up a vendor space to help market the Town. Council also discussed past efforts to bring in developers.

C. Food Truck Friday Ideas. Administrator Stilwell suggested moving the food trucks to Lee Circle for this year and use Accommodations Tax funds to pay overtime to police officers. Council discussed the logistics of moving Food Truck Friday to Lee Circle.

D. Technology Masterplan Proposal with InterDev. Administrator Stilwell informed Council of the Police Department's technology audit from the FBI and difficulties with the Town's current information technology contractor. He discussed putting the IT services out to bid and what InterDev could do for the Town over a period of five years. Council discussed updating the IT systems, cost, and options. Councilmember Fecas asked Chief Cornett to reach out to one of his colleagues to ask what they use and Chief stated that he would and further discussed the results of the audit. Councilmember Fecas also discussed the possibility of providing residents with special glasses to view the upcoming eclipse in August. Council discussed the possibility of viewing the eclipse as a Town event. Council also discussed the next neighborhood cookout event on April 22.

E. Upcoming Regular Meeting Agendas. Administrator Stilwell discussed seeking more involvement from Council on meeting agendas so that the agendas can be set on the Wednesday preceding a meeting and asked for topics that they wanted to see discussed. Mayor Bishop also spoke on his meeting with Mr. Charles Leonard regarding Mr. Leonard's garbage pickup and Administrator Stilwell and Town Clerk Rabon informed Council of the circumstances regarding Mr. Leonard's missed recycling pickup. Council discussed the Public Works Department and plain language job descriptions and schedules for the Town staff. Council returned to discussing the neighborhood cookout.

### **V. Adjournment**

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ricard, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

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Michael Bishop  
*Mayor*

Attest:

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John Rabon  
*Town Clerk*