# **MINUTES**



Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 pm 2915 Platt Springs Road, Springdale, SC 29170

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

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Juston Ricard, Mayor Pro Tem Jacob Wilkerson, Councilmembers Fecas, Hook, Wilbourne, and Reeley.

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilmember Steve Hallman.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Kelly, Chief of Police Andrew "Bear" Richbourg, Police Captain Chris Manuel, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, Attorney Ward Bradley, Attorney Sierra Carini, Sergeant David Jordan, Patrolman Justin Jeffcoat, and Patrolman Karson Mann.

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Ricard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was present. Councilmember Reeley provided the invocation, and Mayor Ricard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 2. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Agenda.
- B. Approval of Minutes.
  - September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Meeting
  - September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Work Session
  - September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Special Meeting

Council unanimously approved the consent agenda.

# 3. Employee Recognition

- A. Springdale Police Department Employee of the Quarter, Justin Jeffcoat
- B. Formal Swearing-In of Officer Karson Mann

Chief Richbourg recognized Patrolman Jeffcoat as Employee of the Quarter and swore in Patrolman Karson Mann with the assistance of his mother.

#### 4. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Councilmember Fecas discussed an upcoming Municipal Association Regional Advocacy Meeting that she plans to attend. Mayor Ricard thanked everyone for their hard work in preparation for National Night Out and stated the event was a success.
- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg reviewed his monthly report with Council, highlighting statistics, code enforcement activity, and speed trailer data. He reported on major crimes and ongoing investigations. Chief Richbourg expressed gratitude to his staff and the other departments for their assistance in preparing for National Night Out. He reported that he is continuing work on the self-assessment portion for accreditation. He expects the outside assessment will occur before the end of the year.

- C. Public Works Report. Supervisor Kevin White reviewed his monthly report with Council. He highlighted current projects and stated the department is preparing for Christmas events. Councilmember Fecas thanked Supervisor White for his assistance in submitting work order requests to SCDOT.
- D. Town Administrator Report. Administrator Watkins reported that the Hometown Economic Grant was submitted. She stated that sewer interest postcards are being returned and the deadline is October 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be a parade planning meeting on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. She concluded her report by stating Springdale will be hosting a stormwater consortium rain barrel workshop on December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- E. Attorney Report. No report.

#### 5. Public Comment

Public Comment was given by Ellen Baskin, and Anita Baker of the League of Women Voters.

### 6. Adjourn to Executive Session

Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:19 pm.

#### 7. Executive Session

- A. Board Appointments
- B. Receipt of Legal Advice
- **8.** Return to Open Session Action may be taken regarding matters discussed in Executive Session. Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to

return to open session at 6:59 pm. Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to re-appoint John Huffman to the Planning Commission for a four-year period beginning on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

# 9. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm.

Attest,		
	Juston Ricard, Mayor	
Leeann Kelly, Municipal Clerk		