



MINUTES

Town Council Work Session
Monday, September 18th, 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 Hook, Wilbourne, Reeley, Fecas, and Hallman.

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Kelly, Chief of Police Andrew “Bear” Richbourg, Public Works Supervisor Kevin White, Attorney Ward Bradley, and Attorney Sierra Carini.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Ricard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Councilmember Hallman provided the invocation and Mayor Ricard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda
Council unanimously approved the consent agenda.

3. Discussion

A. Springdale Municipal Complex. No further report.

B. Springdale Parks Priority List for Funding Opportunities. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson stated that the list needs to be prioritized. Administrator Watkins stated that she would like to focus on things other than playground equipment because matching grants are available for those items. Councilmembers agreed to individually prioritize the list and send it to Administrator Watkins.

C. Future Plans for Town Hall. Mayor Ricard discussed placement for the proposed sign, stating that it would be best to keep the sign in the middle of the parking lot where the current box is. Councilmember Fecas inquired about stormwater, and Mayor Ricard stated that he is waiting for a response from the County about it. Councilmember Hallman expressed that he is struggling with the thought of demolishing the building. Councilmember Hook offered to obtain a rough estimate for demolition.

D. Short-Term Rentals Ordinance. Administrator Watkins provided an update on the draft ordinance. Mayor Ricard and Councilmember Fecas submitted feedback to Administrator Watkins. Administrative staff will continue to work on the ordinance.

E. Hometown Economic Grant. Administrator Watkins stated that Councilmember Fecas informed her of the grant and suggested it be pursued for greenspace development. The grant is for \$25,000 and requires a 5% match. Administrator Watkins explained to Council that she felt the best use for the grant would be to remodel the current Police Department for the Community Center. Council agreed to pursue the grant for the Community Center.

F. Business License Lists. Councilmember Fecas expressed her interest in having a list of current business licenses on the website to support community relations and businesses in Town. Administrator Watkins explained the capabilities of the Town's business license system and what report could be created. Council agreed to have a list of licensed in-town businesses on the website that is updated monthly.

4. Town Council Reports

- A. Elected Officials – Council discussed a wish list of items that Representative Caskey could assist with. Mayor Ricard reported that a pond management meeting would be held on Thursday, September 21st at 6:00 pm at Town Hall with biologist Mac Watson. Council discussed the desire for additional park rules signage in the park. Councilmember Fecas discussed a tree that needs to be trimmed on Sightler Drive and potholes on Lemmond Drive and Pond Drive. Administrator Watkins stated that in addition to Public Works Supervisor Kevin White reporting these items to SCDOT, it could be helpful if additional reports are made by others. Mayor Ricard stated that Lexington County Board of Registrations and Elections has requested representation from each municipality at a board meeting on September 25th at 6:00 pm to decide on early voting centers. Councilmember Fecas stated that she will attend a Municipal Association Legislative Action meeting later this month.
- B. Kitty Hawk Sidewalk – Ricard. Mayor Ricard stated that the sidewalk project is completed and has been signed off on.
- C. Sewer Expansion – Wilbourne. Administrator Watkins stated that a letter and questionnaire to gauge interest in phase 1 expansion is being sent out this week.
- D. Cottages at Roof's Pond – Wilkerson. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson asked if the subdivision was waiting for any approvals from Springdale. Administrator Watkins stated they were not, and that the County had sent out revisions for phase 2 twice.
- E. Platt Springs Road Corridor – Reeley. No update.
- F. Durham Drive Dam – Hook. No update.
- G. Town Events – Ricard. Mayor Ricard stated that National Night Out will be held on October 3rd from 6-8 pm. The October Council meeting has been moved back one week.
- H. Town Parks – Wilkerson. No update.
- I. Springdale Municipal Complex. No update.
- J. Community Relations – Fecas. No update.

5. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm.

Juston Ricard, Mayor

Attest:

Leeann Kelly, Municipal Clerk