

# MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</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 Hook, Fecas, Reeley, Wilbourne, and Hallman (attended via Zoom).

# COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Administrator Ashley Watkins, Municipal Clerk Leeann Eden, Chief of Police Andrew "Bear" Richbourg, Police Captain Chris Manuel, Police Department Administrative Assistant Sheri Jonas, Attorney Ward Bradley, and Attorney Sierra Carini.

## 1. Call to Order

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

## 2. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Agenda.
- B. Approval of Minutes.
  - April 4th, 2023 Regular Meeting
  - April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Work Session

Council unanimously approved the consent agenda.

#### 3. Open Public Hearing

A. Public Comments for **ORDINANCE 0-23-02; AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE, SOUTH CAROLINA TO ADOPT THE 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.** Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to open the Public Hearing. There were no public comments.

# 4. Adjourn Public Hearing and Return to Regular Meeting

Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn the public hearing and return to the regular meeting.

# 5. Old Business

A. Discussion and Consideration of **ORDINANCE 0-23-02; AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE, SOUTH CAROLINA TO ADOPT THE 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.** (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its second reading.

#### 6. New Business

A. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance O-23-03; AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TOWN OF SPRINGDALE TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT RELATING TO SOUTH CAROLINA LOCAL REVENUE SERVICES; TO PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR MORE LOCAL REVENUE

## SERVICE PROGRAMS; TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ONE OR MORE PARTICIPANT PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. (1<sup>st</sup>

Reading) Council, on motion of Councilmember Reeley, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, voted unanimously to approve the ordinance at its first reading.

- B. Change Order for Underground Power at Springdale Municipal Complex. Council, on motion of Councilmember Hook, seconded by Councilmember Wilbourne, voted unanimously to approve the change order.
- C. Golf Cart Purchase. Mayor Ricard stated that the Town would like to purchase a golf cart for use at events, parades, and Town projects. Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Fecas, unanimously approved the purchase of a golf cart up to \$12,000.
- D. The Hobbs Group Engagement Letter for Fiscal Year 2022 Financial Audit. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to approve the engagement letter.

#### 7. Reports

- A. Town Council Report. Councilmember Fecas discussed a recent From the Dome to Your Home article concerning short-term rental legislation. Council agreed for Councilmember Fecas to draft a letter to the Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs in time for their debate on the legislation the following day. Mayor Ricard thanked the Public Works Department for their assistance with cleaning up after the hot dogs in the park event. Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson stated that he was unable to make the hot dogs in the park event due to family commitments.
- B. Police Chief Report. Chief Richbourg reviewed his monthly report with Council, highlighting statistics, code enforcement activity, and speed trailer data. He stated that there were no major incidents over the last month. He reported to Council that he received two light tower generators from the 1033 Program, one is in operable condition and he is waiting for parts to come in for the other one. Chief Richbourg finished his report by expressing his appreciation for Code Enforcement Officer Ed DeVore's diligence in his work.
- C. Public Works Report. No report.
- D. Town Administrator Report. Administrator Watkins updated Council on the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority's grant awards. Springdale's submission for sewer expansion was not awarded. Still, the work that was completed for submission will be used for future grant opportunities. She stated that bidding for the Kitty Hawk Sidewalk project is open and closes May 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm at Town Hall. Administrator Watkins reported that Fairfield Inn has withdrew their request and is considering next steps. She stated that the Airport High School Educational Foundation inducted Chief Richbourg as a Distinguished Alumni into their Hall of Fame. She reported that Springdale is hosting the upcoming Lexington Municipal Association meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>. The splash pad will be opening on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Administrator Watkins concluded her report by stating volunteers are needed for Summerfest on June 24<sup>th</sup>.
- E. Attorney Report. Attorney Bradley stated that a document has been drafted concerning ownership of the dam on Durham Drive. Councilmember Fecas asked for an update on the insurance payment for the Town sign. Administrator Watkins stated that there was no update and she has been trying to contact Allstate.

# 8. Public Comment

Public Comment was given by Lisa Terrell and Ellin Baskin.

#### 9. Adjourn to Executive Session

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wilkerson, voted unanimously to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:25 pm.

#### 10. Executive Session

A. Receipt of Legal Advice

B. Discussion of Personnel Matters

**11. Return to Open Session – Action may be taken regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.** Council returned to open session at 7:31 pm. Mayor Ricard stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

#### 12. Adjourn

Council, on motion of Councilmember Fecas, seconded by Councilmember Hook, voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm.

Attest,

Juston Ricard, Mayor Attest:

Leeann Eden, Municipal Clerk