

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 6:15 P.M., with Mayor Bill Young presiding.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Bill Young, Council Members: Jimmy Syfrett, Paul Siegel, Tom Lohr, Bobby Bonds, James Broderick and Judy Bridge. City Manager Jeff Molinari, City Clerk Betty Hudson, and City Attorney George Cone were also present. There were approximately 8 persons present in the audience.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Council Member Syfrett gave the invocation, and Council Member Bridge led the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

No public comments or questions were received on agenda items.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

There were no Minutes before Council for approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business before Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request to Close the Streets for 5K Run/Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run, Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 8:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. by Walterboro-Colleton Chamber of Commerce

A motion was made by Council Member Siegel to close the streets for the 5K Run/Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 8:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. as submitted. Council Member Broderick seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of the 2016 Rice Festival Requests for April 22-23, 2016 by Jimmy Trippe, Chairman Colleton County Rice Festival, Including Street Closing Requests and Parade Permit Request

A motion granting the 2016 Rice Festival requests and approval of the parade permit as submitted was made by Council Member Bonds and seconded by Council Member Bridge and passed unanimously.

Mayor Young told Mr. Trippe, present on behalf of the Rice Festival Committee, that we appreciate all you do. The festival has gotten better and better every year and you and your committee do an outstanding job.

3. Request to Use the City Parking Lot for Community Action Day Event on Friday, May 27, 2016 from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. by Arlene Dobison, Lowcountry Community Action Agency

A motion was made by Council Member Bonds, seconded by Council Member Lohr, to approve the request to use the City Parking Lot on May 27, 2016 for a Community Action Day Event by Arlene Dobison, Lowcountry Community Action Agency as submitted. In discussing the motion, Mayor Young asked the City

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Manager to be sure that this event would not interfere with any other planned event for that day. He also asked the City Manager to let Ms. Dobison know that if the Methodist Church is having a wedding or anything else going on that day, that they (Ms. Dobison) will only be able to use part of the parking lot. Council Member Bonds added that it was his understanding that the City owns half of the parking lot and the Methodist Church owns the other half.

Mayor Young stated that the church usually does not have a problem, but we try to make sure that if we have something at the same time the church is having an event, that we at least let our people know which part of the parking lot they can use. City Manager Molinari said he would be happy to run that by the church to make sure it's ok with them.

The motion then passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of Appointment to the Airport Commission

At this point, City Manager Molinari pointed out that pursuant to the City's Code of Ordinances, that this appointment to the Airport Commission has to be made by City Council. The Mayor explained that a minority needs to be appointed to the Airport Commission because the statute says that if the Mayor is white, that our at-large appointment needs to be a minority.

A motion was then made by Council Member Syfrett to reappoint Mr. Franklin Smalls to the Airport Commission for another term. Council Member Lohr seconded the motion that passed with all members voting in favor.

5. Acceptance of the Resignation of Ted Tucker from the Municipal Election Commission

Mayor Young announced that Mr. Ted Tucker will be moving away. A motion was made by Council Member Bridge to accept the resignation of Mr. Ted Tucker from the Municipal Election Commission. Council Member Broderick seconded the motion. The Mayor then asked that staff notify Mr. Tucker that we appreciate his service and that we are sorry that he is not going to be with us anymore. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS OR CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

There was no Committee Reports or City Manager's Report given.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Syfrett, seconded by Council Member Siegel and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M. Notice of this meeting was distributed to all local media and posted on the City Hall bulletin board at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Betty J. Hudson
City Clerk

APPROVED: February 9, 2016