

**MINUTES**

A Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 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 and James Broderick. City Manager Jeff Lord, City Clerk Betty Hudson and City Attorney George Cone were also present. Council Member Randy Peters was absent. There were approximately 13 persons present in the audience.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and gave the invocation. Council Member Bonds led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

**INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

No public comments or questions on agenda items were received.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Mayor then opened a public hearing duly advertised to receive comments and questions on two public hearing items as follows:

- 1) **Ordinance # 2013-07**, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations, to Amend the Adoption of Mandatory Standard and International Codes Relating to Inspection Activities by the City of Walterboro and Enforcement of Building Activities as Provided in Said Codes to Add the International Existing Building Code.

Mr. Lord briefed Council on this ordinance. He pointed out that this ordinance more clearly defines that we are adopting whatever is currently mandatory plus the administrative sessions and the existing building codes.

No public comments or questions were received on this ordinance.

- 2) **Proposed Rural Development Project - New Radios for Public Safety Department, as Mandated by FCC Regulations**

City Manager Lord told Council that the City applied for a grant with a \$50,000 offset on the cost for radios that were presented in this year's budget. This is the same USDA grant that we have used to apply for vehicles. They have a normal round and an emergency funding. We are applying under the emergency funding for the radios, and we will apply for normal round for things that are budgeted such as vehicles, etc. later on.

Mayor Young then opened the floor to receive comments or questions on the Proposed Rural Development Project for radios.

Council Member Bonds then asked a question. The emergency funding that we are applying for, if we get that, have we factored that into the budget? . Mr. Lord replied no. Mr. Bonds added, would we be to the plus? Mr. Lord responded affirmatively.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the June 14, 2013 Special Called Meeting were approved as submitted on the motion of Council Member Lohr, seconded by Council Member Siegel and **passed unanimously, except Council Member Peters was absent and did not vote.**

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Ordinance # 2013-07**, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations, to Amend the Adoption of Mandatory Standard and International Codes Relating to Inspection Activities by the City of Walterboro and Enforcement of Building Activities as Provided in Said Codes to Add the International Existing Building Code, Second Reading and Adoption.

A motion was made by Council Member Broderick, seconded by Council Member Bonds, giving Second Reading and Adoption to Ordinance # 2013-07. The motion passed unanimously, except Council Member Peters was absent and did not vote.

2. **Appointment to Internal/External Committee**

The Mayor announced that at the last Council Meeting, he was supposed to appoint two people to the Railroad Right-of-Way Committee, but only appointed one Council Member Bobby Bonds. So, if there is no objection from Council, Mayor Young stated that he would serve with Mr. Bonds on this committee. No objections were made by Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Mayor then entertained a motion to enter an Executive Session, and Council Member Bonds So Moved. Council Member Broderick seconded the motion that passed with all members voting in favor, except Council Member Peters was absent and did not vote. The Mayor announced that the meeting would convene into an executive session for receipt of legal advice and for a discussion of negotiations related to proposed contractual arrangements.

The meeting returned to Open Session, and there being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Broderick, seconded by Council Member Lohr and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 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: August 20, 2013**