

MINUTES

A Special Called Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 5:00 P.M., with Mayor Bill Young presiding.

PRESENT WERE: Mayor Bill Young, Council Members: Carl Brown, Judy Bridge, Paul Siegel, Bobby Bonds, James Broderick and Greg Pryor. City Manager Jeff Molinari, Assistant City Manager Hank Amundson, City Clerk Betty Hudson and City Attorney George Cone were also present. There were 4 persons present in the audience, which included Mr. Larry Hinz of Coastal Electric with 3 other persons.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order, and invited everyone to stand and join Council in the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Mayor Young gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

This meeting was called to consider an Intergovernmental Agreement regarding dispatch services between the City of Walterboro, Colleton County and the Colleton County Sheriff's Office. An Executive Session is also scheduled on a contractual matter regarding the Coastal Electric Franchise Agreement.

INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

No comments or questions were received on the agenda item for this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business before Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Dispatch Services Between the City of Walterboro, Colleton County and the Colleton County Sheriff

City Manager Molinari briefed Council on this agenda item. He said, as you are aware the City has been in negotiations with the County the last couple of months to put together a contract whereby we would contract with Colleton County to provide dispatch services for all of the City of Walterboro. As part of this arrangement, we would pay a year one flat fee of \$162,000, plus \$13,000 in one time initial cost which covers the outstanding annual leave and sick leave of the four dispatchers who, if approved, as of July 1 would become County employees. I have spoken to the County Administrator and he is comfortable with the document as written. The County is holding their June meeting this coming Monday and will be taking action on this contract. I had an opportunity yesterday morning to meet with all four of the City dispatchers to inform them of the change and to answer any questions.

Mr. Molinari concluded by stating that he would be happy to answer questions. If not, I would ask for Council's favorable consideration of this contract.

Mayor Young then asked the City Manager if he was comfortable with the Consumer Price Index increases on a yearly basis? City Manager Molinari responded, yes. He added, I have run the numbers based on what the average CPI has been the last five years. Off the top of my head, I think that number is about 1.2 or 1.3. But I have extrapolated that out through the duration of the contract and there would not be a significant increase in what the City pays.

A motion was then made by Council Member Brown to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement between Colleton County and the City of Walterboro

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concerning the 911 Call Center as submitted. Council Member Broderick seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. A copy of said agreement is attached as part of these minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Mayor then entertained a motion to enter into an Executive Session. Council Member Bridge then made a motion to enter an Executive Session. Council Member Pryor seconded the motion that passed unanimously. The Mayor announced that the meeting will convene into an Executive Session for a contractual matter regarding the Coastal Electric Franchise Agreement.

The Mayor announced that Council may take action on matters discussed in the Executive Session after the Executive Session.

The meeting then entered into an Executive Session.

At approximately 6:05 p.m., a motion was made by Council Member Bridge to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session. Council Member Siegel seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting returned to Open Session and there being no further business to consider a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Broderick, seconded by Council Member Pryor and passed unanimously. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:05 P.M. Notice of this meeting was distributed to all local media, posted on the City's website and the City Hall bulletin board at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Betty J. Hudson
City Clerk

APPROVED: August 7, 2018