

**Minutes
Special Meeting - Council Meeting
Council Chambers
Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

August 2, 2006

Members Present: Mayor Samuel E. Murray and Councilmembers Vernon DeLoach, Mary Beth Heyward, Joe Lee and Henry Robinson

Staff Present: Town Manager Van Willis, Planning Administrator Linda Bridges, Police Chief Jim Cadien, Assistant Fire Chief Jim Colwell and Codes Officer Bill Eustis

Staff Absent: Municipal Clerk Tanya Payne (personal vacation)

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Murray opened the meeting at 7:10 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. INVOCATION:

Councilmember DeLoach offered the invocation.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Sheldon Assistant Fire Chief Lee Walters who died of a heart attack while fighting a fire earlier that day.

Mayor Murray told Council the prayer service which they had been invited to at Old Fort Baptist Church on Sunday had been cancelled. He explained it would be rescheduled to coincide with their ground breaking for the new building.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, the Mayor will recognize members of the audience who have submitted speaker forms to address the Council on agenda items. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes.

There were no comments at this time.

IV. 1ST READING:

- A. Ordinance 2006-50. An ordinance authorizing the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina to enter into a lease/purchase transaction for the financing of a fire truck; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Equipment Lease Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$550,000; and other matters relating thereto**

Town Manager Willis read Ordinance 2006-50 by title and explained it would allow the financing for the new pumper fire truck. He told Council that BB&T bank was the low bidder with an interest rate of 4.22 percent for ten years.

Councilmember Robinson moved to adopt first reading of Ordinance 2006-50 and Councilmember Heyward seconded the motion.

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- B. Ordinance 2006-51. An ordinance authorizing the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina, to enter into a Lease/Purchase Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 and other matters relating thereto**

Town Manager Willis read Ordinance 2006-51 by title and explained it would allow the financing of seven new police vehicles. He said that BB&T was also the low bidder for this lease with an interest rate of 4.16 percent for a three year term.

Councilmember Heyward moved to adopt first reading of Ordinance 2006-51 and Councilmember Robinson seconded the motion.

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

V. REVIEW PROPOSED AGENDA FOR AUGUST 9, 2006 COUNCIL MEETING

Council added three items for consideration to the agenda as follows: taking of Willow Point Roads, endorsing the one cent sales tax and appointing Andy Corriveau to the Extended Design Review Board.

Town Manager Willis briefed Council concerning:

- Contractor selected for installing and upgrading street signs
- Condemnation of one structure on Casablanca Circle and working on two others
- Re-striping plan for Paris Avenue
- Midtown signalization
- Sidewalk policy
- Matt D'Amico from Design Collective will be at Council Retreat on Saturday, August 4th
- Improvements to Sands boat landing
- Redevelopment Commission will meet with Mr. D'Amico to discuss open space issues at the port property.
- 18th Street sewer grant
- Casablanca drainage and sidewalks waiting for go ahead from SCDOT in Charleston
- Garbage service request for proposal has been issued, waiting for responses

Councilmember Heyward suggested that the arrow for the left hand turn into Wright's Point be installed on the proposed Midtown light even if it could not be turned on at this time.

Town Manager Willis reviewed second reading ordinances authorizing conveyance of property for sidewalks on London Avenue and 8th Street, rezoning property on 13th and 14th Streets and Scipio Road, annexation and zoning of property on or near Savannah Highway at Broad Oaks Drive and Shea Lane, amending the Willow Point PUD and authorizing the Town to enter into lease/purchase agreements to purchase a new pumper fire truck and seven police vehicles.

Town Manager Willis reviewed first reading ordinances. He read Ordinance 2006-30 by title and explained this ordinance would annex property on Okatie Highway (Lemon Island Marina) and that it was located in the Town's growth boundary. Mr. Willis said the Joint Municipal Planning Commission would be reviewing the height issue for this property on August 2nd. He said Ordinance 2006-31 addressed the zoning of the property.

Town Manager Willis reviewed Ordinance 2006-45 which would allow property conveyance for sidewalks on 12th Street and Columbia Avenue. He also reviewed Ordinance 2006-46 which would rezone property located at 106 Wright's Point Drive to General Commercial with the Shell Point Overlay. Mr. Willis showed the property on the map stating it was located along Highway 802 and that the request would be presented to the JMPC for recommendation. He also said this request would receive a public hearing before second reading.

Town Manager Willis reviewed Ordinance 2006-47 to rezone property located at 1821 Drayton Drive, 1914 and 1916 Battery Park Drive to MU-2 and Ordinance 2006-48 to rezone property located at 1409 Ribaut Road to General Commercial with the Traditional Town Overlay Code. He explained these requests would also be presented to the JMPC for recommendation. Mr. Willis reviewed Ordinance 2006-49 which would convey excess real property at Ribaut Road and Paris Avenue and explained this was in keeping with the Town's Master Plan.

Town Manager Willis told Council that Winifred Fenner needed to be reappointed to the Design Review Board and that they also needed someone to fill a vacancy on the Extended Design Review Board.

Town Manager Willis told Council that Matt D'Amico would be meeting with the Redevelopment Commission concerning open space, density and unit counts at the port. He said the meeting would be held the following day at 5:30 PM and encouraged to attend if possible.

VI. IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:

- A. Friday, August 4, 2006, 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM – Council Retreat, Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**
- B. Wednesday, August 9, 2006, 7:00 PM - Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

Town Manager Willis reviewed the list of important dates and information.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, the Mayor will recognize members of the audience who have submitted Speaker Forms to address the Council on non-agenda items. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Robinson moved to adjourn the meeting and Councilmember Heyward seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya L. Payne
Municipal Clerk

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, notification of the meeting was given to the local newspaper along with a copy of the agenda. Public notice was posted on the Town bulletin board two weeks prior to the meeting and a copy of the agenda was posted at Town Hall twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.