

**Minutes
Council Workshop
Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

January 3, 2007

Members Present: Mayor Samuel 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 Municipal Clerk Tanya
Payne

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Murray called the workshop to order at 6:40 pm.

II. PRESENTATION:

**A. Presentation of flag from the "USS Port Royal", Petty Officer Cody
Eckles**

Mayor Murray explained that Petty Officer Eckles could not attend the meeting and therefore had presented the flag which was flown over the USS Port Royal earlier in the day. He showed the flag and a picture of the ship he had received from the Ship's Captain and pictures given to him by PO2 Eckles. Mayor Murray also showed pictures taken when he received the flag earlier that day.

III. REVIEW AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 10TH COUNCIL MEETING

Town Manager Willis reviewed the agenda for the upcoming Council Meeting to be held on January 10th.

Town Manager Willis told those present that Ordinances 2006-84, 85, 86 and 87 had been removed from the agenda until the February meeting. He briefed Council telling them the:

- audit review would be on the February agenda
- asked Council for requests for the new budget
- codes enforcement
- new schedule for rollcart collection system has begun
- work started on 18th Street sewer project; should be completed within thirty days
- will be applying for CDBG for sewer in the Fort Frederick Circle area
- Casablanca sidewalk and drainage projects will be advertised this week
- West Paris Avenue sidewalk project is in early stages; will bid out in thirty to sixty days
- Paris Avenue re-striping has been reworked making more parking spaces in some areas
- still waiting for contractor to do work on the Madrid Pond, received good price
- refurbished street signs have been installed
- contractor authorization has been given to begin work on the Midtown signal; poles have been ordered
- Ribaut Road improvements are getting close; will be significant changes; will help with realignment of Edinburg Avenue and Vaigneur Road

Town Manager Willis briefly reviewed second reading ordinances to include; Ordinance 2006-44 to amend the height of buildings allowed in the Traditional Town Overlay District; Ordinance 2006-73 to rezone property on Parris Island Gateway at Grober Hill Road; Ordinances 2006-74 and 75 annexing and zoning property located at 594 and 596 Parris Island Gateway and Ordinance 2006-76 setting the types of buildings allowed in the Traditional Town Overlay within R-10, R-12 and R-17 zoning districts.

Planning Administrator Bridges reviewed Ordinance 2006-77 to place nine acres bounded by W. Paris Avenue, Columbia Avenue, Laurel Street and 16th Street in the overlay district.

Town Manager Willis reviewed Ordinance 2006-78 which would rezone .673 acres located at the corner of 13th Street and Columbia Avenue and Ordinance 2006-88 to amend Chapter 15.5 of the Town Code to include the Robert Smalls Parkway Overlay District.

Town Manager Willis reviewed first reading Ordinances 2006-30 and 2006-31 to annex and zone 2.43 acres located on Okatie Highway at the site of the old Lemon Island Marina. He stated that the JMPC had made several suggestions concerning the proposed PUD including height and set-backs.

Attorney Colden Battey explained that changes had been made to the PUD and said the applicant had met all of the JMPC's requests except for two... He explained that there was not enough room on the property to comply with the fifty foot set back request. Mr. Battey also said the height request had not been met but said the average height for the dry-stack buildings would be thirty-seven feet with the highest section being fifty-two feet.

Town Manager Willis reviewed changes to be made to the Sidewalk Policy. He explained that the placement of the sidewalk would have to accommodate on street parking.

Town Manager Willis told Council the RFP for the port had been released on Friday before Christmas. He explained that there were four parts to the RFP and that bidders could bid on one to four of the parts. Mr. Willis explained that bidders would be required to pre qualify to bid and that the Town would have a representative present when the bids were opened. He informed Council that the concrete supply at the port was being exhausted and that the Port's Authority had closed out all leases it intended to close.

Town Manager Willis explained there were several areas in the Town where short-term rentals were being implemented. He said neighbors in these areas were opposed to these rentals.

Linda Kreiser, Island Pines Homeowners Association president, told Council she feared for the quality of life at the complex and expressed concerns about safety since the units all have fire places. She also stated that renters may not be as careful with the property and said this could lead to future plumbing problems for the permanent residents.

Town Manager Willis told Council he needed their guidance as to whether or not they wished to pursue this issue. He told Council he would prepare an ordinance for February concerning this issue for Council to consideration.

IV. IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:

- A. Wednesday, January 10, 2007, 7:00 pm - Council Meeting, Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

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

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Discussion of legal issue concerning lawsuit with Coastal Conservation League**

Councilmember Heyward moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a legal issue concerning the lawsuit by the Coastal Conservation League. Councilmember Robinson seconded the motion.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:40 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 8:00 pm.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further comment, the workshop adjourned at.

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 workshop was posted on the Town bulletin board two weeks prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda was given to the local news media and posted at the meeting location twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.