

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

May 5, 2010

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Van Willis, Police Chief Jim Cadien, Fire Chief Sammy Negron and Municipal Clerk Tanya Payne

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Murray opened the meeting at 6:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. INVOCATION:

Councilmember DeLoach offered the invocation.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

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. REVIEW AGENDA FOR THE May 12, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING:

Town Manager Willis reviewed the May 12th agenda. He told Council drainage work at Paris Avenue and 13th Street was almost complete. Mr. Willis said workers had found old infrastructure in the ground at this site causing the cost of the job to go up a couple thousand dollars. He said applications made to the Corps of Engineers for work at the Cypress Wetlands had been completed and bid documents for drainage work had been issued. Mr. Willis said Ramsey Architecture is finalizing drafts for the proposed

structures for that site. He explained the signalization project at Lady's Island Drive would be kept at the expected price of one hundred ten thousand dollars. Mr., Willis explained the Town was able to get a good price for boring due to the construction work already under way at the new bridge location.

Town Manager Willis also briefed Council concerning:

- Welding work at the skate park completed
- Working with BJWSA to bring sewer lines across Ribaut Road
- SPA will take up port sale contract at their May meeting
- Shrimp dock
- Jefferson Commons
- Landscaping complete at Richmond Ave and Mossy Oaks town sign
- Working to lay conduit to planted medians for irrigation
- Highway 280 designation stipulations supported by City of Beaufort and are now in county subcommittee
- Northern Regional Plan meeting, TDR's main discussion
- Financials tracking well
- Burton Fire District issues still under discussion
- CDBG has been filed

Russell Byrd, representing the Marine Corps Air Station invited Council and Staff to attend the May 10th County Council Meeting. He explained Fred Pierson, Encroachment Program Manager for the Navy East Coast AICUZ/RAICUZ Center of Excellence would be giving a presentation in noise education. Mr. Byrd said this would give a good background for upcoming sessions concerning the environmental impact of new jets that would be coming to the air station.

Town Manager Willis reviewed a resolution establishing a commission to plan for a celebration of the Town's 450 years since the first settlement.

Town Manager Willis reviewed first reading Ordinance 2010-5 to amend the business license ordinance to allow denial of a license when the applicant owes town taxes or assessments. He also reviewed Ordinance 2010-6 setting the budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011 and allowing for expenditure thereof.

Town Manager Willis told Council they would need to fill one seat on the Redevelopment Commission. He also reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding concerning a county-wide form based code. Mr. Willis explained this MOU approved the Town's involvement in first phase only in the development of a form based code that would apply to the Town, the City of Beaufort and Beaufort County.

He told Council the cost to the Town was fifteen thousand dollars. He said Council would have opportunity to opt out of future phases should they wish to do so.

V. IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:

- A. Thursday, May 6, 2010, 5:30 pm – Design Review Board, Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Ave.**
- B. Saturday, May 8, 2010, 6:30 pm – Street Music on Paris Avenue featuring *Reggae with Patwa, Paris Avenue***
- C. Monday, May 10, 2010, 5:30 pm – Joint Municipal Planning Commission, 1901 Boundary Street in the Municipal Court Building**
- D. Wednesday, May 12, 2010, 6:30 pm - Council Meeting, Yvonne Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

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

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Legal discussion relative to ongoing litigation**

Councilmember Heyward moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss an ongoing litigation and Councilmember Robinson seconded the motion.

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:55 pm.

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:35 pm.

No action was taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya L. Payne
Municipal Clerk

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