

MINUTES

CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 - 5:30 PM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE

Mayor/Council:

Mayor Pennington
Mayor Pro-Tem Andrews
Councilmember Braddock
Councilmember Caldwell
Councilmember Gammage
Councilmember Mack
Councilmember McGee

Executive Staff:

City Manager Moore
City Clerk Skipper
Community & Economic Dev Dir. Munoz
Human Resources Director Wallace
Fire Chief Burr
Tourism & Comm Director Baker

Public Service Director Slatton

Attorney - None
Press – Matthew Christian

PURSUANT TO CITY OF HARTSVILLE EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 4401, DURING THE COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) PANDEMIC, THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS WILL BE OPEN AND MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCING; FACE COVERINGS ARE MANDATORY. A YOUTUBE VIDEO WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyZJVNHT8NtgJrqplYpde4w THE NEXT BUSINESS DAY.

PUBLIC COMMENTS SUBMITTED TO city.clerk@hartsvillesc.gov BY NOON ON DAY OF THE MEETING WILL BE READ ALOUD FOR THE RECORD.

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2020 AND DULY POSTED AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE AND ON HARTSVILLESC.GOV. CITY HALL IS AN ACCESSIBLE FACILITY, FOR ASSISTANCE CALL 843-383-3018.

Mayor Pennington called the meeting to order at 5:35pm and asked Fire Chief Burr to lead in the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO WAIVE READING OF AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Caldwell; Carried: All ayes.

PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month was presented to the Pee Dee Coalition representative. The Coalition serves nine different counties with 224 victims in Darlington County alone. There have been forty one deaths in South Carolina and our state is ranked eleventh in the nation.

MANAGER UPDATE

Stormwater issues: A title search revealed that the ditch was never deeded over to anyone and each property owner owns a portion. The city will try to assist them in turning it over to SCDOT, which will be a long uphill process. We will reach out to the delegation for assistance.

The FEMA mitigation grant funds will need to be spent first. The study should be finished by January. Richardson Circle, Fourth Street, Snake Branch, Ninth Street ditch, and the Governors School areas will be included. The city portion of the grant will be close to \$800,000.

CONSENT AGENDA - Received as Information Only

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL READING ORDINANCE 4402: TO LEASE THE PROPERTY AT 229 WEST CAROLINA AVENUE TO DIVINE DESTINY MINISTRIES - APPROVED.

Open/Close Public Hearing: No public input.

Approval of Final Reading and Waiving of Complete Reading: Motion: Mack; Second: Caldwell; Carried: with all ayes except McGee voting nay.

NEW BUSINESS

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 4403: AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO REAUTHORIZE THE REQUIREMENTS OF FACE COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO REAUTHORIZE THE AUTHORIZATION FOR ELECTRONIC MEETINGS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO - APPROVED.

Motion: Caldwell; Second: Andrews; Carried: All ayes.

RESOLUTION 10-20-01: TO COMMIT ADDITIONAL MATCH FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTH PARK PUMP STATION AND SEWER UPGRADES AND APPROVAL OF BID AWARD CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL BY SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (GRANTS ADMINISTRATION) - APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: McGee; City Manager Moore informed Council that Utility reserves will fund this. Carried: All ayes.

RESOLUTION 10-20-02: APPROVAL OF BID AWARD FOR EMERGENCY GENERATORS FOR WELL SITES – APPROVED.

Motion: Andrews; Second: Mack; Carried: All ayes.

RESOLUTION 10-20-03: APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR A SOUTH CAROLINA PARKS AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT (PARD) GRANT - APPROVED.

Motion: Caldwell; Second: Braddock; City Manager Moore informed Council that this is for the Lawton Park pier. Carried: All ayes.

ADJOUR	NMENT: Without objection at 6:11pm.	
		Carl M. (Mel) Pennington IV, Mayor
ATTEST:	Sherron L. Skipper, City Clerk	