

**TOWN OF MONCK'S CORNER
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN TOWN HALL
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016**

Present: Mayor Michael A. Locklear

Council Mayor Pro-Tem David A. Dennis, Jr.
Members: Johna T. Bilton Charlotte A. Cruppenink
James N. Law, Jr. Chadwick D. Sweatman
Dr. Tonia A. Taylor

Staff

Present: Roland Windham, Interim Town Administrator
Marilyn M. Baker, Clerk-Treasurer
John S. West, Attorney
Lisa M. Hancock, Accountant
Jessica Morgan, Accounts Payable/Payroll Clerk
Ehrichs B. Ollic, Police Chief
Elizabeth Steele, Victims Advocate
Michael Roach, Police Lieutenant
David A. Miller, Fire Chief
Ralph Jones, Recreation Director
Matt Still, Athletic Director
Sara Anderson, Events Coordinator
Chance Price, Chief Building Official
Doug Polen, Planning Director

Absent: Butch Svagerko, Public Service Director
Robert E. Watson, Administrative Judge

Call to Order:

Mayor Locklear called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

Invocation:

The invocation was given by Reverend Tory Liferidge of Grace Reform Episcopal Church, Moncks Corner. Campus Pastor Andrew Bullard of Faith Assembly of God Church, Moncks Corner, was unable to attend.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Locklear asked the Girl Scout Troop 99 to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Recognition: Mayor Locklear recognized the following.

- Beta Club State Champions of St. Johns Christian Academy.
- Beta Club State Champions of Berkeley High School.
- Employee of the Quarter Award was presented to Sara Anderson, Event Coordinator for the Town. Mayor Locklear and Town Council thanked her for her dedicated service to the Town.

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Proclamation Presentations: Mayor Locklear presented the following:

- **Red Cross Month for March, 2016.** The Proclamation was read by Councilman Jay Law. Accepting the Proclamation on behalf of the Red Cross was his wife Mandy Law and Lowcountry Board Member, Ray Smith.
- **Girl Scout Week - March 6-12, 2016.** Girl Scout Troop 99 accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the local Girl Scouts.
- **Child Abuse Prevention Month, April, 2016.** Jane Pulling, Volunteer Guardian Ad Litem and a Board Member of the Children's Trust of SC accepted the Proclamation. She thanked the Town of Moncks Corner for designing the pinwheel garden at the Unity Park for Child Abuse Prevention Month.
- **People Against Rape Month-April, 2016.** Accepting the Proclamation was Lt. Michael Roach. He thanked the Town of Moncks Corner for their support.

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 16, 2016:

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2016 was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis. Motion was seconded by Councilman Law and was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee:

Mayor Locklear reported that the Finance Report was discussed during the Finance Meeting. He had nothing to add.

Administrator Roland Windham had nothing to add.

A copy of the Finance report was included in the Council agenda packets.

Municipal Court:

Councilwoman Taylor had nothing to add.

Administrative Judge Robert Watson was absent from this meeting.

Police Department:

Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis had nothing to add.

Chief Rick Ollic reported that he included in his packet a report from Lisa Steel, Victim Advocate for Council's information.

A copy of the Police Department Report was included in the Council agenda packets.

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Fire Department:

Councilwoman Bilton had nothing to add.
Chief David Miller had nothing to add. Councilman Law thanked Chief Miller for offering the CPR/AED Classes to the Recreation Volunteers for free. The classes are held from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Saturdays at the Fire Station. He encouraged anyone who was interested to attend.

A copy of the Fire Department Report was included in the Council agenda packets.

Recreation Department:

Councilman Law reported that Director Ralph Jones and Athletic Director Matt Still have scheduled for the first time weekly practice sessions for the players to practice on the real playing game fields.

Director Ralph Jones reported that Opening Day Ceremonies will be held on Saturday, April 2nd at the Recreation Complex. Opening Day will be sponsored by Chick-Fil-A. Google will also be at Opening Day. They installed the Moncks Corner Free Wifi at the Regional Recreation Complex.

Basketball tournaments were held at Berkeley Middle School Gym February 29 - March 2 for the 12 & under division. The 14 & under division played the regular season with Goose Creek, with no tournaments.

Baseball, softball and tee ball have a total of 489 participants (42 teams). The player evaluation system is working well. They were able to balance the talents of the players between teams. So far he has received very good reviews on the new system.

Travel ball began last weekend. They started out real slow, but will hit it hard this coming weekend. There will be between 18-25 teams.

Staff is working hard at trying to get the Farmer's Market Pavilion ready for the start date of April 7. The market will be open from 3-7 p.m. every Thursday.

He added that Sara Anderson has done a great job with social media. The past 30 days, the sites have reached 3,360 for Recreation, 6,921 on the Town site and 58,414 on the Depot site.

The 4th of July Festivities will be held on Saturday, July 2nd at approximately 3 or 4 p.m. followed with a band and fireworks.

A copy of the Recreation Department Report was included in the Council agenda packets.

Public Service Department:

Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis reported that Public Service Director Butch Svagerko was unable to attend the meeting tonight because his daughter was coming home from Clemson. She made the Dean's list. He and his crew have a full schedule ahead of them with the grass cutting, planting season ahead.

A copy of the Public Service Department Report was included in the Council agenda packets.

Planning Department:

Councilwoman Cruppenink had nothing to add.

Planning Director Doug Polen reported that he will have a couple of ordinances for Council's consideration next month on some text changes to the Zoning Ordinance. There will be a Board of Directors Meeting for the Corner Renaissance on April 5th. Beppie Legrande of Main Street SC will be coming down to train the Board of Directors on how the Committee structure works. The next Corner Renaissance Meeting will be held on Monday, April 18th at the Train Depot. They will be discussing the baseline study.

Councilwoman Cruppenink reported that there was a really good turnout at the required BZA and Planning Commission orientation training.

A copy of the Planning Department Report was included in the Council agenda packets.

Building Department:

Councilman Sweatman had nothing to add.

Chief Building Official Chance Price had nothing to add.

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Public Input:

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Locklear reported that the Town ended the Fiscal Year well regarding the 2015 Annual Financial Statement. He commended staff on a job well done. Construction of the Farmer's Market Pavilion is getting very close to beginning.

Executive Session: Executive Session: To discuss matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries, or other businesses in the area served by the Town; or discussions of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claim, or the position of the Town in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the Town of a claim.

- Personnel and Contractual Matters

In Executive Session:

Motion to go into executive session was made by Councilman Law. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Taylor and unanimously approved.

Out of Executive Session and Reconvene to the Regular Meeting:

Motion to go out of executive session and to reconvene to the regular meeting was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Dennis. Motion was seconded by Councilman Law and was unanimously approved.

Mayor Locklear requested a motion from Council to enter into a standard contract with Jeffrey Lord to serve as the new Town Administrator for the Town of Moncks Corner to begin on June 13th. Mr. Lord comes from the City of Westminster.

Motion was made by Councilman Sweatman to enter into a standard contract with Jeffrey Lord as the new Town Administrator. His contract will begin on June 13, 2016. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cruppenink and approved unanimously.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Councilman Law to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Taylor and was unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

A copy of this meeting's agenda was e-mailed to the Post and Courier, The Berkeley Independent, Channel 4 and Agenda Depository. As required, the agenda was posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Minutes Approved and Adopted:

Marilyn M. Baker/Clerk-Treasurer

April 19, 2016
DATE

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