

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Town Council Meeting**  
**May 21, 2019**

Council Attendance: Mayor Derek Underwood, Councilmen: Allen Gallman and Robert Martin.

Administrative Attendance: Karen Livingston, Town Administrator; Michelle Bundrick, Clerk Treasurer; Ed West, Utility Director; Cpl. Corey Jones, Police Department and Lisa Senn, Town Attorney.

Council Absence: Councilmen: Chad Hawkins and Mike Hawkins.

Mayor Underwood called the Regular Meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He asked Councilman Allen Gallman to open with prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mayor Underwood presented the Minutes from April 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting and April 30, 2019 Special Called Council Meeting for approval.

**A MOTION** by Councilman Robert Martin to approve the minutes from April 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting and April 30, 2019 Special Called Council Meeting; seconded by Councilman Allen Gallman, and so approved unanimously.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Eric Lemoine addressed Council with his concern on the temporary water line in Williamswood and asked when it would be completed. Mrs. Livingston stated she would get with Ed on this and let him know.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Schedule Christmas Parade for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (December 8, 2019):**

Mayor Underwood stated the Christmas parade is normally the first Sunday in December which will be Thanksgiving weekend this year so we are asking to move it to the second Sunday December 8, 2019.

**A MOTION** by Councilman Robert Martin to move the Christmas parade to the second Sunday in December; seconded by Councilman Allen Gallman, and so approved unanimously.

**Rezone Parcels Throughout Town from R-7 to R-10 Discussion:**

Mayor Underwood stated there are a lot of areas in town where a mobile home can be placed and there are stick built homes in the same areas. He stated we want to get this cleaned up and rezone these areas in town from R-7 to R-10 so that no mobile homes can be placed in these areas. Mrs. Livingston stated we have maps on each property this affects in our town and coincides with the list you have. Discussion followed. Mrs. Senn stated we would need to let the Planning Commission know what our proposal is and move forward.

**Carolina Boltz Run Club Support:**

Mayor Underwood stated the Carolina Boltz Club had contacted him at the Hoppin' run looking for places for their group to train. Mrs. Livingston stated they would need to provide us with a schedule because we are in partnership with the County on our recreation and field usage.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES:**

**Electrical, Public Works and Sanitation:** Mayor Underwood stated Councilman Mike Hawkins was absent from the meeting.

**Public Safety and Streets:** Mayor Underwood stated Councilman Chad Hawkins was absent from the meeting.

**Economic Development, Buildings & Properties:** Councilman Robert Martin asked if we had contacted the County about the property next to Leon's. Mrs. Livingston stated she would call Mr. Powell tomorrow and move forward on this. Mayor Underwood asked if we could replace the faded yield pedestrian sign for the crosswalk. Discussion followed.

**Parks, Recreation & Events:** Councilman Gallman stated baseball is going great. He stated this was the best Hoppin' we have had in a long time. He thanked everyone for helping with the event and commented on the great electrical connection Mr. West had made with no wires in the way. Mayor Underwood reminded Mr. West of the sanded areas in the playground that needs to be sprayed for fire ants. He stated he had witnessed someone parking on the walking trail while at the park and asked her to move her car. He reminded the police department about smoking being prohibited in town and to write tickets if they see people that are not at least 25 feet away from the entrance of the business.

**Police Department:** Corporal Jones reported the numbers for the month. Mayor Underwood stated we will be reviewing the candidates for Chief and start the interviewing process and the candidate will need to live in Prosperity.

**Utility Department:** Mr. West stated we are waiting on permits from DHEC on the Williamswood project. He stated both crews would be starting on Thursday for fiber optic throughout town. He stated we are doing our year end reporting at this time. He stated the pump is in at the Brookside lift station and we are waiting on two more pumps. He stated they are not working on any powerline projects except for emergency power outages at this time because we are short staffed. He stated they are trying to keep up with the parks and are trying to locate some dirt right now for a ditch project.

**Town Attorney:** Mrs. Senn had nothing to report.

**Town Administrator:** Mrs. Livingston stated her report would be covered in Executive session.

**Prosperity Business Association Executive Committee:** Mrs. Livingston stated she had contacted Kimberly Kitchens and Carter Lake about changing the date on the Christmas parade to December 8, 2019. She stated the Business Association and the Town would be partnering to market the Town and Business Association members and was looking forward to meeting with them.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Town Square Revitalization Update:** Mayor Underwood stated they had a booth at Hoppin' and sold our first brick. He stated Kyle Parker would have the final version of the bylaws next week and that we could pass our flyers out to churches and businesses.

**Update on Washington Street Water System Improvements Project:** There was nothing to report.

**Main Street Paving:** Mrs. Livingston stated she is working with Michelle with the DOT and they are on board to help with the Grant Budget. Discussion followed.

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Underwood stated the Hoppin' festival was a success. He stated he has been on Council for twenty two years and our downtown really looks good now. He invited everyone to go to google maps and just see how the town has really changed in the last few years.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**A MOTION** by Councilman Robert Martin to move into Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Allen Gallman, and so approved unanimously.

**A MOTION** by Mayor Underwood to move out of Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Robert Martin, and so approved unanimously.

(Upon returning to open session, Council may take action on matters discussed in executive session.)

Mayor Underwood stated they discussed a Contractual matter in the Electrical Department, a Contractual matter in Administration and a Contractual matter in the Police Department and there was nothing that requires a vote at this time.

Mayor Underwood adjourned the meeting at 9:07p.m.

Michelle Bundrick Michelle Bundrick, Clerk/Treasurer