



Minutes

Fountain Inn, South Carolina Regular City Council Meeting Thursday, July 8, 2021 - 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order- Mayor McLeer

Mayor McLeer called the meeting to order.

All Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Clemmer.

Staff present: Shawn Bell, Greg Gordos, Eduardo Noriega, Ronnie Myers, Russell Slatton, Rebecca Mejia-Ward, Melissa Woods and Sandra Woods

Visitors: 16

2. Invocation

Councilmember Dearybury gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Forum- Persons wishing to speak may sign up 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting. Signups will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Your remarks will be limited to 3 minutes.

Marie Conroy, Quail Run - Stated her concerns against tree removal in new development areas.

5. Presentation

a. Police Department - New Employee Introduction

Captain Melissa Woods introduced two new employees. Police Officers John Schmidt and Alicia Drozdoski.

b. Blake Sanders - Sanctified Hill Park

Blake Sanders with Studio Main presented the Sanctified Hill Park Master Plan.

6. Consent Agenda- There will be no discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Councilmember so requests in which event the item in question will be considered separately.

**a. Approve June 3, 2021, Called Council Meeting Minutes
Approve June 10, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Approve May 2021 Preliminary Financial Report**

Motion by Councilmember Thomason, second by Councilmember Cunningham to Approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

7. City Administrator's Report- Shawn M. Bell

Mr. Bell gave a report of June activities by department.

a. June Reports

8. Unfinished Business -

a. Second Reading - AX 2021-1 - Pine Ridge Subdivision to annex 28.79 acres on N. Nelson Drive and Old Fairview Road into the city limits of Fountain Inn; zone TMS# 0342000100600 to R-10, Residential District and assign parcel to Council Ward 5.

Shawn Bell stated AX 2021-1 would annex 28.79 acres on N. Nelson Drive and Old Fairview Road into the city limits of Fountain Inn; zone TMS #0342000100600 to R-10, Residential District and assign parcel to Council Ward 5. The Planning Commission voted unanimously 4/0 to approve the annexation at the April 5, 2021 meeting. No one spoke in opposition.

Motion by Councilmember Blackstone, second by Councilmember Dearybury to Approve on second Reading - AX 2021-1 - Pine Ridge Subdivision.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

- b. Second Reading - Ordinance 2021-6 - An Ordinance of the City of Fountain Inn authorizing the sale of a parcel of land owned by the city on Main Street, being known as a portion of Greenville County TMS# 0325000100700 to the Nelson Company, LLC and retaining a Natural Gas easement.**

Mr. Bell explained that ordinance 2021-6 authorizes the sale of a parcel of land owned by the City of Fountain Inn on Main Street, TMS#0325000100700 to the Nelson company, LLC and retaining a Natural Gas Easement. The city secured a MAI appraisal on the property that determined the fair market value of the property is \$10,000. The City believes that the portion of the property to be sold should be declared surplus; that the sale price for the property must be \$10,000 payable at closing and the Nelson company LLC must execute an easement, satisfactory to the City, for the natural gas facility currently existing on the property.

Motion by Councilmember Dearybury, second by Councilmember Mahony to Approve on Second Reading - Ordinance 2021-6.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

9. New Business -

a. First Reading - Ordinance 2021-7 IPRB - An ordinance providing for an installment plan of finance for certain capital projects and improvements.

Ray Jones with Parker Poe reviewed Ordinance 2021-7 with Council and explained the language and attachments.

Motion by Councilmember Cunningham, second by Councilmember Blackstone to Approve on First Reading - Ordinance 2021-7 IPRB.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

b. First Reading - Ordinance 2021-8 - Municipal Service Agreement - Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

Mr. Bell stated that Ordinance 2021-8 authorizes the city to enter into an updated standard Municipal Service Agreement for the provision of electric service with Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, concerning the grant of a franchise fee to use the public streets of the City for the provision of electricity. The franchise fee is 5%. This agreement will need to be renewed in 10 years.

Motion by Councilmember Thomason, second by Councilmember Blackstone to Approve on First Reading - Ordinance 2021-8 - Municipal Service Agreement - Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

c. R 2021-8 - MASC Retail Recruitment Training Program

Mr. Bell stated that R 2021-8 states that the Fountain Inn City Council hereby supports the City's application to the Municipal Association of South Carolina Retail Recruitment Training Program in partnership with The Retail Coach and commits to provide a program fee of \$5,000 to cover the cost of the program if the City is selected to participate.

Motion by Councilmember Mahony, second by Councilmember Cunningham to Approve R 2021-8.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

10. Adjourn

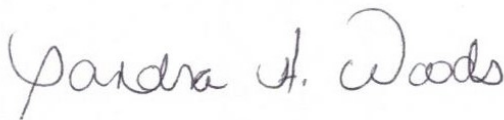
Motion by Councilmember Mahony, second by Councilmember Cunningham to Adjourn.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Mayor McLeer, Councilmember Mahony, Councilmember Thomason, Councilmember Dearybury, Councilmember Cunningham, Councilmember Blackstone

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously 6/0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra H. Woods".

Sandra Woods, CMC
City Clerk