# REGULAR MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC MARCH 18, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Foster Senn, Councilmember R. LeMont Glasgow, Councilmember Edwin E. Wicker, Councilmember Zebbie D. Goudelock, Councilmember Thomas Louis Boyd, Councilman David T. Force, Councilman David DuBose.

Also Present: City Manager W. A. Harvey, Municipal Clerk Tina P. Wicker, Assistant City Manager Matt Dewitt, Utility Director Marc Regier. Police Chief Jackie Swindler, Fire Chief Keith Minick, Public Works Director Mac Bartley. Planning and Development Director Ward Braswell. Others Present: Angela Summer, and others. News representatives: Elyssa Parnell and Tammy Kitchen.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Senn called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Glasgow gave the invocation.

### **MINUTES**

Councilmember Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Newberry City Council held on February 11, 2014 as presented,. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mayor Senn advised that members of City Council had received a copy of the Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2014 and noted that the report would be attached to the minutes. City Manager Harvey stated that the City finances were where they should be in regard to revenues and expenditures.

## **RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES:**

Mayor Senn and City Manager Harvey recognized Angela Summer, Water Plant Superintendent, for her twenty-five years of service. She received a certificate and gift selection packet commensurate with her years of service.

### <u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Signs & Banners

Mayor Senn convened a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments concerning proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to sign regulations and banners on private light posts in the General Commercial zoning district.

No one appeared to offer comments and Mayor Senn declared the public hearing closed.

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ORDINANCE: Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Signs & Banners – Frist Reading

Mayor Senn presented for first reading an Ordinance (#2014-1001) to amend Sections 900 and 901 of the Zoning Ordinance to permit vertical banners to be placed on private light posts in the General Commercial zoning district. He noted that the Planning Commission was recommending the proposed change.

Councilmember Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, to approve first reading of the Ordinance as presented. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

# **RESOLUTION:** Fair Housing Month - April

Mayor Senn submitted for Council's consideration a Resolution declaring April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Newberry.

Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Goudelock, to adopt the Resolution as presented. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

# **BIDS:** Way-finding Sign Project

Mayor Senn reported that the City had received bids for the way-finding sign project which will locate signs along the entrances to the downtown area in an effort to direct visitors into this area. He remarked that the low bid was submitted by Creative Impressions in the amount of \$68,294.96 and that the staff and consultant were recommending acceptance of this bid.

Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wicker, to accept the bid submitted by Creative Impressions in the amount of \$68,294.96. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

# **COUNCIL:** April Council Meeting

Mayor Senn explained that there was a conflict with the April  $8^{th}$  City Council meeting and suggested moving the date to April  $15^{th}$ .

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Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Goudelock, to change the City Council meeting in April to the April 15<sup>th</sup> date. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

### **COUNCIL:**

### **CIP Meeting Dates**

Mayor Senn stated that the City's Financial Advisor, Ms. Cawley, was requesting that dates be set in April to continue work on the City's Capital Improvements Plan and that she had suggested April 3<sup>rd</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> as possible dates. Council agreed to meet on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before City Council, Councilmember Goudelock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:18 P.M. Councilmember Boyd seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

	Foster Senn MAYOR	
ATTEST:		
Tina P. Wicker, City Clerk		
Newberry, South Carolina		
(SEAL)		