

**SPECIAL MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC
JUNE 16, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.**

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

Also Present: City Manager W. A. Harvey, Assistant City Manager Matt DeWitt, Municipal Clerk Jennie O'Shields, Fire Chief Keith Minick, Others Present: Adam Teseniar, Teal O'Dell, Michael Kennedy, Justin Weaver and Jason Stuhr Media Present: Elyssa Parnell

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ORDINANCE:

Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget – Second Reading

Mayor Senn presented for second and final reading an Ordinance (#2015-1008) to adopt the budget and levy taxes for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Councilmember Glasgow made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, to approve second reading and adoption of the Ordinance as presented. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

ORDINANCE

DSRF and Loan Agreement Modification

Mayor Senn offered for second reading and adoption Ordinance # 2015-1009 for the Debt Service Revenue Fund and Loan Agreement Modification. Stemming from our A- and A3 ratings the City is longer required to have the debt reserve fund for the 2009 bond and the money in that fund will be transferred to the 2015 Bond debt reserve fund.

Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Wicker, to approve second reading and adoption of the Ordinance as presented. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

AGREEMENT

Mutual Aid Agreement

Mayor Senn addressed the matter of Mutual Aid agreements with the Newberry County Sherriff's Office. Mayor Senn stated that Council signed the agreement during an executive session and the document was then passed on to the Newberry Sherriff's Department. Mayor Senn remarked that upon reading the final version of the agreement, the Newberry County Sherriff's department asked for some minor changes in the wording and those changes were reviewed by the city attorney and approved.

Councilmember Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, to approve the revised mutual aid agreement. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

DISCUSSION

Utility Project Update

Mayor Senn opened up the discussion for the current utility projects taking place within the City. Council asked for additional information pertaining to the bond issue and updates of ongoing projects. Utility Director Marc Regier provided council with tables showing the different phases of each project along with costs and timelines. Utility Director Regier covered in detail the current projects and informed Council that they could expect a full report quarterly.

DISCUSSION

USDA Grant

Mayor Senn stated that he and Councilmember Boyd recently attended a ceremony at Newberry College which involved representatives from the US Department of Agriculture. Mayor Senn further stated that he and Councilmember Boyd had a conversation with one of the officials that made them aware that there are grant funds available through USDA for small communities to purchase equipment such as vehicles or develop other community projects. Mayor Senn asked for the staff to look into the possibilities of obtaining grant money to help fund the Gallman Park renovations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Force made a motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters. Councilmember Boyd seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council members present.

No action was taken during executive session.

Councilmember DuBose made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd to return to open session. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council members present and voting.

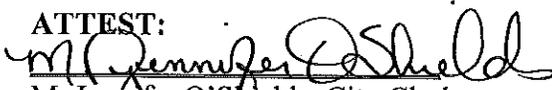
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before City Council, Councilmember Goudelock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:18 P.M. Councilmember Glasgow seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of City Council members present.



Foster Senn
MAYOR

ATTEST:



M. Jennifer O'Shields, City Clerk
Newberry, South Carolina

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