

**REGULAR MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC
MARCH 8, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.**

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

Also Present: City Manager W. A. Harvey, Assistant City Manager Matt DeWitt, Municipal Clerk Jennie O'Shields, Police Chief Roy McClurkin Others Present: Liz McDonald, Lisa Toland and others. News representatives: Sami Truong and Carson Lambert

CALL TO ORDER

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

MINUTES

Councilman Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilman Glasgow to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Newberry City Council held on February 9, 2016 and the Special Council Meeting held on February 17, 2016 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 and Financial Summary for the period ending February 29, 2016 and noted that the report would be attached to the minutes. City Manager Harvey gave a brief explanation of the financial statement.

ORDINANCE:

Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance #2016-1005 to amend the text of the Zoning – Bed and Breakfast Inns

Mayor Senn stated that the city staff is proposing a zoning text amendment to delete the guidelines of Section 611 and use South Carolina Code of Laws, Title 45, Chapter 4 – South Carolina Bed and Breakfast Act to regulate Bed and Breakfast Inns.

Councilman Wicker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd to amend section 611 to include state code. The motion was carried following a unanimous vote of all City Council members.

ORDINANCE:

Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance #2016-1004 to amend Zoning Map for 2700 College Street

Mayor Senn indicated that the property at 2700 College Street has been proposed for rezoning to *R-6 Residential from GC – General Commercial*. This lot has residential uses on two sides and a cemetery on a third side. The R-6 zoning district allows for single family, two, three or four family dwellings on a minimum lot size of 6000 square feet for one and two family dwellings and 7,000 square feet for three and four family dwellings. By rezoning this parcel it will allow the owners to convert and improve the property to a residential use.

Councilmember Glasgow made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Boyd to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2016-1004. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

PRT:

Consideration to allow alcohol at Pork in the Park

As in past years, Pork in the Park is held the third Saturday of April. (Saturday, April 16th) from 11:00 A.M to 3:30 P.M. in downtown Newberry. The event will be coordinated by the City's Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) Department.

The Newberry Chamber of Commerce requested permission to serve alcoholic beverages during the event and have them served by designated event venue staff, using pre-approved plastic cups. The beer cart would be set up on Boyce Street between Memorial Park and the Newberry Opera House. This would allow for event patrons to travel the event space with an alcoholic beverage, by foot, if they are carrying the beverage in the pre-approved plastic event cups and are wearing an over 21 wristband provided by the event organizers.

The event area includes Main Street from Nance to Caldwell Streets, Boyce Street from Nance to Caldwell Streets, McKibben from Boyce to Main Streets, and Caldwell from Boyce to Main Streets.

Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Goudelock to allow alcohol in designated areas during Pork in the Park. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council present.

APPOINTMENT:

Mayor Senn indicated that there was a vacancy on the Housing Authority Board by the retirement of Mr. Clarence Chick. He further indicated that while the item was on the agenda that more research should be done before formally nominating a successor.

Mayor Senn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Glasgow to postpone the motion to appoint a member to the Housing Authority Board nomination until further research could be completed.

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Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Council members present and voting.

APPOINTMENT:

Planning Commission

Mayor Senn advised that there were currently two vacancies on the Planning Commission. The staff indicated that Mr. Kevin Whitesides has expressed a desire to serve on the Planning Commission filing one of the vacancies. His term would begin retroactively on January 1, 2016 and run through January 1, 2019.

Councilman Force made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wicker to appoint Mr. Kevin Whitesides to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term that will expire on January 1, 2019. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Council members present and voting.

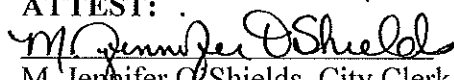
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before City Council, Councilman Boyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 P.M. Councilman Glasgow seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of City Council.



Foster Senn
MAYOR

ATTEST:



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

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