

**REGULAR MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC
August 14, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.**

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

Also Present: City Manager Matt DeWitt, Municipal Clerk Jennie O'Shields, Division Director Tamra Tootle, Fire Chief Keith Minick, Police Chief Roy McClurkin, PRT Director Scott Sawyer, Public Works Director Mac Bartley and Utility Director Tim Baker.

Others Present: Calvin Sims, Emily Seibert, Burt and Lynn Mohler & family, Paul & Mary Ellen Ringer, Jimmy Bickley, Andrew Morris, Chris Connelly, Michael Parker, Barbara Chapman, RJ Dowd, Rodney and Missy Grey & Family, Michelle Long, Kody Jacobs, Mary Alex Kopp, RJ Doran, Dustin Shaw, Jaime van Zadelhoff, Bobby Shirey, Brandon Wicker, Ron Roberts, Jason Stuhr, Russell and Ciria Triplett & family, Gene Shealy, Marquerite Palmer, Stuart Smith, Wayne Pratt, Jr. & family, Tim Swygert, Tyler Truesdale, Jackie Brown, Jackie Holmes, Jessica Toland and others.

Media Present: Elyssa Haven

CALL TO ORDER:

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

MINUTES:

Councilman Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Newberry City Council held on July 10, 2018, 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 June 30, 2018 and noted that the report would be attached to the minutes. City Manager DeWitt gave a brief summary of the financial report.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Senn, City Manager DeWitt and Fire Chief Keith Minick recognized **Burt Mohler** for 25 years of service with the Fire Department. Burt began his employment with the Department on July 3, 1993 and holds the position of Fire Captain.

Mayor Senn, City Manager DeWitt and Police Chief Roy McClurkin recognized **Rodney Grey** for his 25 years of service with the Newberry Police Department and subsequent retirement. Rodney began working with the Police Department on June 19, 1993 and retired on June 20, 2018 as the Narcotics Officer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES

Mayor Senn and Mayor Pro Temp Goudelock recognized leaders and coordinators that facilitated the Summer Youth Programs including Free Family Movies in the Park, Nance Forest Apartments Summer Program, Summer Mobile Recreation Program, Newberry Arts Center Summer Camp, Oakland Tennis Center Programming, Newberry County Library Summer Reading Program, the Harper Street Parade, Newberry Literacy Council, Back to School Bash, National Night Out and Children's Day.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance #2018-1009 to amend Chapter 8.5 of the City Code – Second and Final Reading

Mayor Senn introduced for second and final reading Ordinance # 2018-1009 to amend Chapter 8.5 of the city code with the intention to add Article 4 to address condemnation process of properties located within the City. The ordinance would address the repair, closure or demolition of a property using Chapter 15, Title 31 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. This act would be a departure from the International Property Maintenance Code making the process similar to other municipalities within the state. The ordinance provides the owners an opportunity to repair, demolish or come to an agreement with the City regarding the repair or removal of their property.

Councilman Glasgow made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd to approve the second and final reading of ordinance # 2018-1009 to amend chapter 8.5 of the City Code. The motion was carried by a unanimous decision.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance# 2018-1010 to amend the lien collection process for the Planning and Development Department – Second and Final Reading

Mayor Senn introduced for first reading, ordinance # 2018-1010 to amend the lien collection process to address properties that are not maintained by their owners. Currently, the Planning and Development Department is charged for the maintenance of properties whose owners do not comply with the City Code. The current system allows the City to put liens on properties to be collected when and if the property is sold. Ordinance# 2018-1010 gives the City of Newberry the authority to collect liens in the same manner as municipal taxes through the use of the Newberry County Auditor's office.

Councilman Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wicker to approve the second and final reading of ordinance # 2018-1010 to amend the lien collection process for the Planning and

Development Department. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council Members.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance # 2018-1011 to authorize the lease purchase of a Residential Side Loader

Mayor Senn introduced for first reading ordinance # 2018-1011 to authorize the lease purchase of a residential side loader for the Public Works Department. The current budget has an appropriation of \$275,000 for the purchase of a Residential Side Loader, to replace an existing 2011 Bridgeport 32-yard Ranger Automated Sideloader mounted on an Autocar Xpediator chassis. The purchase will be financed through a lease/purchase agreement not to exceed a 3 to 4-year period.

The City received 3 quotes for purchase of the Residential Side Loader. Nu Life Environmental submitted the lowest bid at \$270,593.03.

Councilman Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd to approve the first reading of ordinance # 2018-1011 to authorize the lease purchase of a Residential Side Loader. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council Members.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance # 2018-1012 to amend the FY 2018-2019 budget for the Newberry Recreation Complex

Mayor Senn introduced for first reading ordinance #2018-1012 to amend the FY 2018-2019 budget to include an expenditure in the Building Construction line item for the Recreation Complex that includes the balance of the Capital Project Sales Tax Funds distributed by Newberry County in the last fiscal year. The check received in 2018 by the City was in the amount of \$3,665,375.

Councilman Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wicker to approve the first reading of ordinance # 2018-1012 to amend the FY 2018-2019 budget for the Newberry Recreation Complex. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council Members.

UTILITIES:

Outside water service – 2118 Pinehill Circle

Mayor Senn indicated Gary Guy, property owner of 2118 Pinehill Circle had executed an Annexation Agreement in order to receive water service from the City of Newberry. He advised that a water line to serve the property was in place and to provide service would only require a water tap. Mr. Guy has agreed to execute an annexation covenant indicating a willingness to

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annex if his property becomes contiguous to the City limits and Council determines it is in the best interest of the City to annex the property.

Councilmember Goudelock made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Glasgow to accept the Annexation Agreement signed by Gary Guy and to extend water and sewer service to the property at 2112 Pinehill Circle. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

RESOLUTION

Mayor Senn announced that the Municipal Association of South Carolina was offering a Hometown Economic Development Grant to cities in South Carolina to implement economic development projects that positively impact the quality of life in the community. The grant program would also promote and recognize innovation in economic development practices. The Staff has indicated that with Council approval, the City of Newberry will apply for the Hometown Economic Grant.

Councilmember Boyd made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Goudelock to adopt the Resolution as presented allowing the staff to apply for the Hometown Economic Grant. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Goudelock made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter related to the Fire Department and a contractual matter related to the Police Department as published in the agenda. Councilmember Boyd seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of the City Council members.

Councilmember Goudelock 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.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before City Council, Councilman Goudelock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. Councilmember Boyd seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of City Council members.



Foster Senn
MAYOR

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ATTEST:


Jennie O'Shields, City Clerk
Newberry, South Carolina

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