



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL October 11, 2016

MEETING LOCATION: Greer City Hall, 301 East Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING Mayor Rick Danner - 6:34 P.M.

The following members of Council were in attendance:
Jay Arrowood, Wayne Griffin, Kimberly Bookert, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Others present: Ed Driggers, City Administrator, Mike Sell, Assistant City Administrator, Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk, Steve Owens, Communications Manager and various other staff and media.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Boy Scout Troop 603

III. INVOCATION Councilman Wayne Griffin

IV. PUBLIC FORUM No one signed up to speak

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING September 27, 2016

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of September 27, 2016 be received as written. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor Rick Danner and City Administrator Ed Driggers presented Fire Chief Dorian Flowers with a certificate from the National Fire Academy recognizing his successful completion of the required courses of study in applied research projects which confers the title of Executive Fire Officer to Chief Flowers.

VII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Items:

Hurricane Matthew – Thankfully we were spared here in the city but if needed we were prepared to respond to Mt. Pleasant under our automatic aid agreement. We were in contact and we were informed by Mt. Pleasant they had it under control. As you are aware this is a reciprocal agreement, if we have a winter event in our area we have an automatic aid agreement with them as well and they are prepared to respond to us. We do have some Police Officers and Firefighters on special teams that have responded.

Leaf Brochure – will be mailed the week of October 24th. Leaf collection will begin in November.

Food Truck Event – will be held Thursday, October 20th in City Park.

LED Lighting - Downtown – we have partnered with Greer Commission of Public Works to convert the downtown lighting to LED. That process is taking place now. We will share additional information with the community at a later date. The fixtures downtown are similar to the fixtures we will be using on Wade Hampton Boulevard when we do the complete rehabilitation of the lighting along the seven miles stretch from city limit to city limit in 2017.

Greenville County Recreation Program – we have received the payment, the funds have been set aside and designated exclusively for recreational purposes related to the pedestrian and bicycling plan and how we will move forward with the plan.

Greenville Legislative Delegation Transportation Committee – the road paving match program from Greenville County for 2016-2017 is \$131,737.06. The formula used to determine the amount is based on population and miles of roads in Greenville County. We've budgeted \$250,000.00 for roads.

Brushy Creek Sidewalk Project – we will not be able to do the sidewalk project on Brushy Creek Road. We had completed the engineering on that project and submitted it for permits to SCDOT (South Carolina Department of Transportation), they indicated additional engineering will be required on the project. Because of the timing we did not anticipate we would be able to get it to bid and construction completed prior to the end of the year. We are working with them now on the setback requirements and that is predominately what it is relative to. As soon as we receive the permit we are prepared to take the project to bid and hope to award the bid in short order and start construction. It is probably an early 2017 project.

GPATS (Greenville Pickens Area Transportation Study) – will hold a workshop at Greer City Hall in Hall B Monday, October 17th from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm. This is an opportunity for people to express thoughts to GPATS and local planning staff at the regional level on priorities for transportation in our area.

Awards:

During the 102nd ICMA Annual Conference, September 26, 2016 in Kansas City, Missouri we were presented the following awards:

ICMA (International City/County Managers Association) awarded the **Certificate of Achievement** to Greer, SC in recognition of its use of performance data on local government management, including training, verification and public Reporting.

Also, The National Citizens Survey presented the **Voice of the People Award** to Greer, SC in Transformation in Foundations of Livability.

During the City of Greer Safety Breakfast, October 7th we were presented the following awards:

SCMIRF (South Carolina Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund) presented the **Risk Management Service Award** to the City of Greer in recognition of outstanding commitment to safety and excellent loss experience.

Also, SCMIT (South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust) presented the **Risk Management Services Award** to the City of Greer in recognition of outstanding commitment to safety and excellent loss experience.

Executive Session

Mr. Driggers stated he had one (1) Economic Development matter (Information only) and one (1) Personnel matter (seeking direction for Police Chief search) for consideration during Executive Session.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 30-2016

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY TRUCK FARM OF GREER LOCATED AT 13745 AND 13755 EAST WADE HAMPTON BLVD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF C-3 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Ed Driggers, City Administrator stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 30-2016. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rick Danner stated an Executive Session was needed to receive information on one (1) **Economic Development** matter and (1) **Personnel** matter.

ACTION - In (7:05 p.m.) - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive information as stated by the Mayor. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they received the information as stated above and no action would be needed.

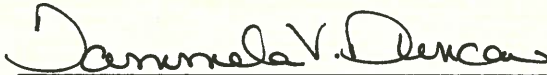
ACTION - Out (7:56 p.m.) – Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

X. ADJOURNMENT

7:56 P.M.



Richard W. Danner, Mayor



Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk

Notifications:

Agenda posted in City Hall and email notifications sent to The Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, GreerToday.com and the Spartanburg Herald Journal Friday, October 7, 2016.

