

Special Council Meeting

February 19, 2013 at 6 p.m.

Members Present:

Joe Owens, Mayor
Boyd Jones, Mayor Pro-Tem
Eric L. Fowler
Casey Jordan Hallman
Tommy Parler
B.J. Unthank
Teddy Wingard

Members Absent:

L. Dale Harley
Abbott L. Bray, Jr., previous meeting

Others Present:

Jenny Cunningham, City Administrator
Myron Corley, Deputy City Administrator
Mardi Valentino, City Clerk/PIO
Brian Carter, Director of Planning and Zoning
Stuart Jones, Building Official
Matt Edwards, Police Major
Donna Smith, Director of Economic Development

Rick Hodge, City Treasurer
Wyatt Coleman, Fire Chief
Charles Garren, Public Works Director
Dennis Tyndall, Police Chief
Ken Ebener, Municipal Judge
Shane Phillips, Police Captain
Members of the Public and Press

Agenda Item I – Call to Order

Mayor Owens called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. and noted a quorum was present. *The State, Free Times, Lexington County Chronicle, Cayce-West Columbia News, The Columbia Star* and radio and television stations were notified of the meeting by e-mail on February 14, 2013.

Agenda Item II – Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Fowler gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item III – Old Business

- A. Mayor Owens entertained a motion for second reading consideration of an ordinance amending and restating an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of water and sewer system revenue bonds. Council Member Parler so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Jones seconded. Mayor Owens recognized Bond Attorney Lawrence Flynn with Pope Zeigler, who explained the bondholders for the previously issued bonds had been contacted and were agreeable to the amendments in the master bond ordinance. Mr. Flynn said the amendments include extending the fiscal audit period from 120 days to 180 days to allow the City treasurer more time to prepare financial statements. He noted another amendment gives additional authorization to take advantage of new types of offerings in the bond market that the city may wish to pursue in the future. Mr. Flynn said that some minor changes have been included to clarify the language in the master bond ordinance. Mayor Owens called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mayor Owens entertained a motion for second reading consideration of a series ordinance providing for the issuance and delivery of a water and sewer system refunding revenue bond in an amount not to exceed three million dollars (\$3,000,000). Council Member Parler so moved and Mayor Pro-Tem Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Agenda Item IV – New Business

- A. Mayor Owens entertained a motion for consideration of a resolution commending Corporal Art Seboe, Investigator Leah Smith, Park Ranger Steve Metro, and Patrol Officers First Class Mark Howard and Trip Holland for saving the lives of three young kayakers in a river rescue on the Congaree River on January 18, 2013. Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Hallman seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Owens announced that the five officers would be recognized at the Police Officers' Banquet on Friday, February 22, 2013.

Agenda Item V – Adjourn

Mayor Owens entertained a motion to adjourn. Council Member Fowler so moved and Council Member Parler seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta M. Valentino, CMC
City Clerk