

**Pickens City Council
Minutes of Regular Session
City Hall Council Chambers
December 6, 2021**

Present: Mayor Fletcher Perry
Council Member Donnie McKinney
Council Member Lois Porter
Council Member Jimmy Davis
Council Member Isaiah Scipio
Council Member Robert Nealy
Administrator Philip Trotter
Finance Director Donna Perry
Clerk to Council Kaycee Couch

1. Invocation

Council Member Scipio provided the Invocation

2. Call Regular Session to Order

Mayor Perry called the Regular Session to Order at 6:01 P.M.

(To accommodate family members being present for the swearing in of Council Members, this agenda was altered from it's original order.)

3. Comments from Citizens

None

4. Presentation of Funds-SC House of Representatives 4th District-Representative Davey Hiott

At 6:03 P.M., Representative Davey Hiott presented the City of Pickens with a check in the amount of \$55,000 to cover the cost of fixing the water fountain at Legacy Square.

5. Swearing in Ceremony for Newly Elected Council Members (Performed by Judge Sean Hinton)

- a. Donnie McKinney
- b. Patrick Lark
- c. Robert Nealy

At 6:28 P.M., Judge Sean Hinton performed a Swearing in Ceremony for the Newly Elected Council Members listed above. With the absence of Council Member Lark.

6. Election of Mayor Pro Tempore-Mayor Fletcher Perry

At 6:32 P.M., Mayor Fletcher Perry requested nominations from Council for the election of a Mayor Pro Tempore.

MOTION: Council Member Nealy motioned to appoint Council Member Davis as Mayor Pro-Tempore; Council Member McKinney Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:32 P.M. with the absence of Council Member Lark.

7. Employee Recognition-Philip Trotter

a. Bryon Patterson-25 Years of Service

At 6:05 P.M., Philip Trotter presented a check to Bryon Patterson in recognition of his 25 years of service to the City of Pickens

8. Blackwood Bamboo Company/Jeremiah Brown Presentation

At 6:06 P.M., Jeremiah Brown and Justin Owens presented a job pitch to remove the bamboo at Jaycee Park to make grilling charcoal. Mayor Perry is turning this over to the Recreation Committee.

9. Appointment of Committees-Mayor Fletcher Perry

At 6:33 P.M., Mayor Fletcher Perry appointed members of Council to designated Committees:

Public Works- Chair: Jimmy Davis, Isaiah Scipio, Patrick Lark

Finance- Chair: Patrick Lark, Isaiah Scipio, Robert Nealy

Parks and Rec- Chair: Isaiah Scipio, Donnie McKinney, Jimmy Davis

Police and Fire- Chair: Donnie McKinney, Jimmy Davis, Lois Porter

Ascend and Planning- Chair: Robert Nealy, Patrick Lark, Lois Porter

Pickens Senior Center- Chair: Lois Porter, Donnie McKinney, Robert Nealy

10. Administrators Report

At 6:23 P.M. Philip Trotter presented with an Administrators Report:

- Hometown Legislation Day
- Municipal Elected Officials
- Great turn out for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Christmas Parade—December 9th
- Public Works Project Updates
 - Rosemond St.
 - Allgood Area
- WWTP UV Light Grant Update

11. Finance Directors Report

At 6:25 P.M. Donna Perry presented with a Finance Directors Report:

- General Fund Revenues and Expenditures
- Utility Fund Revenues and Expenditures
- Hospitality Fund Revenues and Expenditures
- Reconciled Bank Account Balances

12. Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-21-An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Chapter 9 of Article II (Business License) With A Revised Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the South Carolina Business License Standardization Act (2020 Act No. 176)-Kaycee Couch

MOTION: Council Member McKinney Motioned to Approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-21; Council Member Porter Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:21 P.M. with the absence of Council Member Lark.

13. Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-22-100 Percent Petition Ordinance Annexation-422 Ann St.- Philip Trotter

MOTION: Council Member Scipio Motioned to Approve the Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-22; Council Member McKinney Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:22 P.M. with the absence of Council Member Lark.

14. Approval of Minutes

- a. **November 1, 2021- Regular Session**
- b. **November 15, 2021-Special Called Session**

MOTION: Council Member Davis Motioned to Approve the Minutes Listed Above; Council Member Nealy Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:22 P.M with the absence of Council Member Lark.

15. Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion

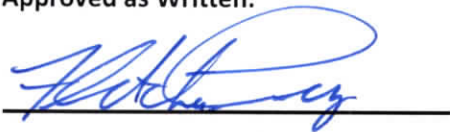
None

16. Motion to Adjourn Regular Session

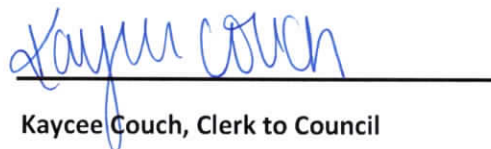
MOTION: Council Member Porter Motioned to Adjourn Regular Session; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:38 P.M with the absence of Council Member Lark.

NOTE: (1) Agenda was posted on the City Website, the City Hall Bulletin Board and Distributed to Media via Email on December 3rd, 2021 and (2) Quorum was present.

Approved as Written:



Fletcher Perry, Mayor



Kaycee Couch, Clerk to Council