

**Pickens City Council
Minutes of Regular Session
City Hall Council Chambers
July 12, 2021**

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

1. Invocation

Council Member McKinney provided the Invocation

2. Call Regular Session to Order

Mayor Perry called the Regular Session to Order at 6:00 P.M.

3. Comments from Citizens

Cheyenne Cook, a resident on Nealy Street spoke regarding a request for a bus stop to be placed at the intersection of Nealy and Henderson St.

Bruce McKinney, resident of 508 W Lee St. voiced his concerns about traffic on his street and would like a speed device to be posted.

A letter written by Rev. Carlton Holley was read aloud by Philip Trotter regarding a request to amend the current manufactured/modular home ordinance the City has in place.

4. Administrators Report

At 6:06 P.M., Philip Trotter presented with an administrators report:

- City Lake Dam DHEC Report
- Bruce Field Update
- E Cedar Rock St-Water Pressure Issue
- Summer Events Update-Anna Chastain
 - 4th of July Event
 - Upcoming Amphitheater Events
 - Doodle Market
 - Main Street Banners

5. Digital Siren Discussion-Chief Beach

6:17 P.M., Randal Beach led discussion pertaining to the Digital Siren system and the positive affect it will have on our community. Council Member Jimmy Davis stated that he thought this life saving device was essential for the City of Pickens.

6. Capital Improvement and Sanitation Fee Update-Anna Chastain and Kaycee Couch

At 6:39 P.M., Anna Chastain led discussion pertaining to Capital Improvement and Sanitation Fee rate changes. Mr. Trotter briefly discussed the reasoning and benefits of the rate changes.

7. City Sidewalk Cleaning Update-Anna Chastain

At 6:43 P.M., Anna Chastain led discussion pertaining to pressure washing of the City sidewalks that will take place within the next few weeks.

8. Summer Sewer Fee Adjustments-Kaycee Couch

At 6:44 P.M., Kaycee Couch presented a Summer Sewer Fee Adjustment form, its policies, and the process that will be followed.

MOTION: Council Member Lark Motioned to Approve the Summer Sewer Fee Adjustment Form; Council Member Scipio Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:46 P.M.

9. Legacy Square Update-Philip Trotter

At 6:46 P.M., Philip Trotter briefly discussed proposed changes to the outdated Legacy Square lease agreement between the City of Pickens and Pickens First Baptist.

10. Church Street Rezoning Discussion-Jennifer Vissage

At 6:49 P.M., Jennifer Vissage spoke regarding a request to have S. Church St. rezoned from R-12 to R-8 to allow manufactured and modular homes in the area.

11. Façade Grant Application for State Farm-Jennifer Vissage

At 7:04 P.M., Jennifer Vissage presented a Façade Grant Application submitted by State Farm requesting assistance in proposed updates to the exterior of their building.

MOTION: Council Member Lark motioned to Approve the Façade Grant Application; Council Member McKinney seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:05 P.M.

12. Resolution 2021-07-Authorizing the Local Match For The CDBG Community Development Program

MOTION: Council Member Lark Motioned to Approve Resolution 2021-07; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:06 P.M. with Council Member Scipio recusing himself from the vote.

13. Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion

At 7:07 P.M. Israel Hughes spoke regarding a recent request to open a tattoo shop within the City Limits of Pickens.

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14. Motion to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following personnel matters:

- a. Recreation Department as allowed by S.C. Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
- b. City Services as allowed by S.C. Code 30-4-70(a)(1)

MOTION: Council Member Scipio Motioned to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters; Council Member McKinney Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:13 P.M.

MOTION: Council Member Lark Motioned to Adjourn Executive Session; Council Member Scipio Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:24 P.M.

15. Possible Action Taken Pertaining to Executive Session

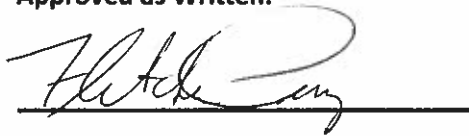
None

16. Motion to Adjourn Regular Session

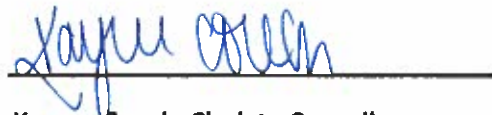
MOTION: Council Member Lark Motioned to Adjourn Regular Session; Council Member Scipio Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:24 P.M.

NOTE: (1) Agenda was posted on the City Website, the City Hall Bulletin Board and Distributed to Media via Email on July 9th, 2021 and (2) Quorum was present.

Approved as Written:



Fletcher Perry, Mayor



Kaycee Couch, Clerk to Council