

**Pickens City Council
Minutes of Regular Session
Public Works Facility – 133 Railroad Street
May 4, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Fletcher Perry
Council Member Donna Owen
Council Member Donnie McKinney
Council Member Isaiah Scipio
Council Member Lois Porter
Council Member Patrick Lark
Interim Administrator Philip Trotter

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.

3. Comments from Citizens

None

4. Motion to enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters

MOTION: Council Member Scipio moved to Enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Matters; Council Member McKinney seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion at 6:05 p.m.

5. Motion to Adjourn Executive Session

MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to Adjourn Executive Session; Council Member Porter seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion at 7:06 p.m.

6. Possible Actions Taken Pertaining to Executive Session

MOTION: Council Member Owen moved to add to the agenda to approve employment contact.

7. Open Public Hearing on Ordinance 2020-08 – 2021 Budget (All Funds)

Mayor Perry Opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2020-08 – 2021 Budget (All Funds) at 7:13 p.m.

8. Administrators Report

Philip Trotter made a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 20/21 FY Budget

- Authorization of 40k for repairs of the storm drain of Dean Street
- GarCon is working on the bridge repairs near Wells Fargo
- Emergency Ordinance expiration date of May 25th, 2020 unless extended
- MASC Flood Damage/COVID-19 Funds have been received- details provided in more depth at next month's Regular Session Meeting
- FEMA Funds progress was discussed

9. Finance Report

Council Member Porter presented with a finance report:

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, April 2, in the Council Chambers. The following Council members were present:

- Mayor Fletcher Perry (in person)
- Lois Porter (in person)
- Donna Owen (via Zoom)
- Patrick lark (via Zoom)

The purpose of the meeting was for Philip Trotter, Interim City Administrator, and Donna Perry, contract accountant, to present the 2020/2021 proposed City budget to the Committee.

Philip made a PowerPoint presentation regarding the budget. The committee did not recommend any changes to the budget and recommend presenting it to the full council at the next council meeting on May 4.

10. Parks and Recreation Report

Council Member Scipio presented with a Parks and Recreation Report:

1. Summer Camp – at the Pickens Recreation Department
 - It is the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee that summer camp be cancelled for the 2020 season.
2. Baseball/Softball Season – 2020
 - Start practice June 1st
 - Start Games June 8th for a 5 week season.
 - It is the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee that we move forward with a baseball/softball season with the above start dates. The committee instructed a letter/press release to be drafted for approval. The committee instructed the Administrator to continue to follow the instructions from the Governor's Office and Local Emergency Management Office and re-evaluate on May 12th, 2020. The Administrator is given the authority to make the final decision.

11. Approve Minutes

- a) February 10,2020 – Regular Session Minutes
- b) February 19, 2020 – Regular Session Minutes

MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to approve the above listed Minutes; Council Member Owen seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

12. Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-02—Amending Section 2-160 (Suspension and Removal of Chief of Police and Police Officers)

MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to Adopt the Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-02-Amending Section 2-160 (Suspension and Removal of Chief of Police and Police Officers); Council Member Porter seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

13. Close Public Hearing on Agenda Item # 7

Mayor Perry Closed the Public Hearing on Agenda Item #7 at 7:46 p.m.

14. First Reading of Ordinance 2020-08 – Budget (All Funds)

MOTION: Council Member Owen moved to Adopt the First Reading of Ordinance 2020-08-Budget (All Funds); Council Member Porter seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

15. Motion to Amend Project Description of the 2020 General Obligation Bond

Discussion took place among Council Members regarding the CDBG Grant, UV Light Replacement at the Waste Water Treatment Plant, Utility Fund debt, Fire Truck funding, Brush Truck funding, bids for right-of-way clearing, and the Bar Screen at Towne Creek being on hold due to the companies travel ban.

MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to Amend the Project Description of the 2020 General Obligation Bond; Council Member Scipio seconded.

16. Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-06—General Obligation Bond

MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to Adopt the Second Reading of Ordinance 2020-06-General Obligation Bond; Council Member McKinney seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion.

17. National Music Week Proclamation

Mayor Perry read and presented the National Music Week Proclamation.

18. Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion

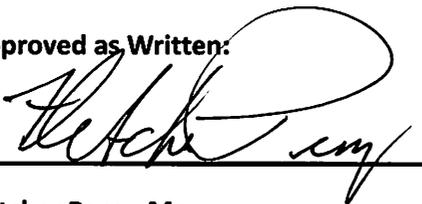
No Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion

19. Motion to Adjourn Regular Session

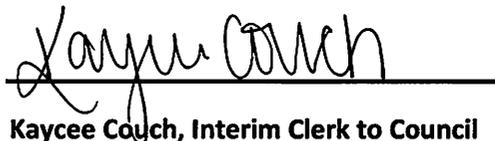
MOTION: Council Member Lark moved to Adjourn Regular Session; Council Member Scipio seconded. The vote was 6-0 in favor of the motion at 8:00 P.M.

Note: (1) Agenda was posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board, Website, and distributed to Media via Email on May 1, 2020 and (2) Quorum was present.

Approved as Written:



Fletcher Perry, Mayor



Kaycee Couch, Interim Clerk to Council