

Town of Meggett Council Meeting Minutes

Date: September 24, 2018 **Time:** 7:00PM **Location:** SCPA Building, 4770 Hwy 165

Call to Order	Mayor Buster Herrington
Type of Meeting	Town Council Meeting
Facilitator	Mayor Buster Herrington
Minutes	Ali Ravenel, Town Clerk

Roll Call:	Mayor Herrington	P	Angela Watts	P
A = Absent	Tommy Butler	P	Andy Gowder	P
P = Present	Tom Hutto	P	Stephanie Smith	P
	Keith McCarty	P		

Prayer Given By: Mayor Buster Herrington

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: Mayor Buster Herrington

| Approval of Minutes |

Approval of Minutes from previous Council Meeting held on August 27, 2018

Motion Made By: Council Member Keith McCarty moved to approve.

Seconded By: Council Member Angela Watts seconded the motion.

Those in Favor:

*Mayor Buster Herrington
Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler
Council Member Angela Watts
Council Member Tom Hutto
Council Member Keith McCarty*

Those Opposed:

None

Conclusion: Minutes approved.

| First Reading: Amending Ordinance No. 2017-04 |

Mayor Herrington read the amendment to Ordinance No. 2017-04 to adjust the boundary line between the Town of Hollywood and the Town of Meggett as it pertains to property designated as TMS# 192-00-00-001. With no further discussion, Mayor Herrington asked for a motion to approve the passage of the 1st Reading of the Ordinance. Council Member Tom Hutto motioned to approve and the motion was seconded by Council Member Angela Watts.

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| Thank an Officer Day |

Mayor Herrington announced that the Town would hold it's annual "Thank an Officer Day" celebration on Saturday, October 13th of 2018. The celebration was originally scheduled for September 15th, but due to the impending arrival of Hurricane Florence, the event was postponed. Residents are encouraged to attend and there will be food, games, and gifts for the Officers.

| Christmas Festival Committee Meeting |

Mayor Herrington asked Town Administrator Stephanie Smith to elaborate on the Christmas Festival Committee Meeting. Stephanie explained that a meeting would be held in October (date TBD) to kick-off planning the Town's Annual Christmas Festival. The purpose of the meeting would be to establish sub-committees and a plan of action for the festival. A flyer will be mailed to residents by the end of September outlining the details of the meeting, asking for volunteers, and asking for donations to the Bakery.

| Council Member Reports |

Buildings & Grounds: Mayor Buster Herrington

Mayor Herrington gave an update on the fence project at Meggett Park, which had been successfully completed by Five Star Fence earlier in September. The Mayor also successfully repaired the fountain that aerates the small pond in Meggett Park over the previous weekend. Lastly, the landscaping in the front square is still ongoing but should be wrapping up within the next week.

Financial Reports: Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler

Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler gave an update on the Town's financials: the general account decreased by \$62,000.00 due to the beginning of our 2018-2019 fiscal year, when we pay for certain services in full; there were no changes to the general CD accounts. The Waste Water checking account increased by \$1,200.00 and there was no change in the Meggett 1925 account.

Grants & Special Reports: Council Member Tom Hutto

Council Member Tom Hutto gave an update on the Roxbury Park Picnic Shelter Project: the Pavilion is essentially completed and is ready for use. The concrete still needs to be sealed and the walkway established, however these things should not hinder the use of the completed Pavilion. Council Member Hutto also announced that the Town sponsored a grant application for Lowcountry Leadership Charter School, in an effort to raise money to upgrade the lift station grinder pump located at the school. The lift station has backed up twice in the past three years, resulting in costly damage to the school's gymnasium and grounds. The Town received word this week that the school had officially been awarded the grant money: \$102,000.00, with the school covering 25% of the funds and the other 75% to be reimbursed.

Communications: Council Member Keith McCarty

Council Member Keith had nothing new to report on Communications. Council Member Tom Hutto shared that he had recently spoken to a grant representative who was working with surplus ETV towers in

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an effort to provide better coverage to rural areas. Council Member Hutto stated that opportunities like this may be worth looking into as a solution to the ongoing problem.

Roxbury Park: Council Member Angela Watts

Council Member Angela Watts expressed that with the completion of the Pavilion, the Town should host a groundbreaking ceremony and public event for our residents in celebration. Various suggestions from Council included: catering by local businesses, BBQ, or an oyster roast. A pre-emptive date of Sunday, October 28th was decided upon, with further planning needed by Council Member Watts and Town Staff. Residents will receive invitations with further event info in the near future.

| Further Comment from Town Council |

Council Member Tom Hutto shared a reminder that the elections for Charleston County Council were approaching in November. He urged residents to evaluate the candidates, consider the need for new leadership, and to exercise the right to vote.

| Public Comments |

Mr. Donald Colby: *Mr. Colby shared that he had recently discovered a Comcast program driven towards low income families and Veterans to provide low cost internet service. The advertised monthly fee was \$9.95 and Mr. Colby asked that the Town inquire to Comcast about the service.*

Executive Session convened at 7:25 PM

Mayor Herrington and Council headed into an Executive Session. Attendees were invited to help themselves to refreshments until Council reconvened. Upon returning, Mayor Herrington announced that they had discussed a contractual matter and no decisions were rendered.

Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM