PRESENT

Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables. City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant to City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, City Police Chief Gerald Brooks, and City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler; City Attorney Tripp Padgett; and Brian King of GwdToday.com and Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting in the Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:34 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Councilor Linda Edwards gave the invocation.

QUORUM AND STATEMENT

Mayor Adams read the following statement, “In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, an agenda has been posted on the front door of City Hall and notification of this meeting has been given to the news media.”

City Clerk Steffanie Dorn stated that there was a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Adams asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER
May 2013 Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month.

Under Proclamations, Mayor Adams recognized and presented a proclamation to Erin Johnson of the South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. She informed Council of statistics of teen pregnancies in Greenwood County and South Carolina.

RECOGNIZE
The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA).

Under Presentations, City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized Commissioner Edward R. Tallon who is also Representative for South Carolina House District No. 33. He discussed the history of CALEA and presented Police Chief Brooks the accreditation certificate from CALEA and a certificate from the South Carolina House of Representatives. The City of Greenwood has achieved six consecutive accreditations and Chief Brooks is only the second person to receive the Egon Bittner Award in South Carolina.

Police Chief Brooks gave credit to the entire Greenwood Police Department for the work they did to make this accreditation possible.

RECOGNIZE
Lary Davis of Northland Communications.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized Lary Davis who is the General Manager of Northland Communications. He thanked City Council for what they do for the citizens of Greenwood and provided a franchise fee check totaling $33,450.07 which is five percent of gross sales for the quarter.

CONSIDER

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the amended concealed weapons codes to coincide with State codes.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion among Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-012 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Ronnie Ables.

The motion passed unanimously.
City Manager Barrineau gave Councilor Edwards a brief summary of the ordinance that was proposed during her absence.

Under Unfinished Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the request to rezone 202 Beadle Avenue to allow manufactured housing.

Councilor Betty Boles stated the only concern from the neighborhood was if manufactured housing would lower their property value. City/County Planning Director Phil Lindler stated that rezoning wouldn’t affect the property value but the structure could impact surrounding properties positively or negatively.

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire inquired of the manufactured home value. Phil Lindler stated that currently the property is $35,000 as per the Tax Assessor’s Office. Councilor Niki Hutto stated that the property will increase in tax value just by placing a structure on it. Councilor Johnny Williams stated that manufactured houses look just like regular houses around town.

A motion to accept Ordinance 13-011 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed the proposed ordinance to temporarily permit the sale of beer and wine in specific areas during the Festival of Discovery from July 11-13 beginning 6 p.m. to midnight. The addresses of the proposed locations are anticipated restaurants that will be open and operating at 330, 328, 405, 327, and 319 Main Street with beer and wine permits issued by the Department of Revenue. He stated that there will be restrictions similar to the ones used for Click 646. Although wristbands will not be used, patrons will be provided an easily identifiable cup with Festival of Discovery markings.
Councilor Wiltshire inquired of barricades and if sales will be made only in the buildings. City Manager Barrineau stated that metal fencing will be used but decorated with flowers and advertisement banners to look like decorative buffers. Each restaurant must have staff that is not a waiter/waitress to monitor the area and there will not be any bars situated outside.

A motion to allow temporary beer/wine sales in designated sections during the Festival of Discovery was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, and Kenn Wiltshire. Johnny Williams and Ronnie Ables voted against.

The motion passed 5-2.

CONSIDER

Authorizing

Award of Bank Services Contract.

City Manager Charles Barrineau recognized City Clerk and Finance Director Steffanie Dorn who stated that she sent requests for proposals to banks within the city limits on March 12. Of the three bids that were submitted by the April 19 deadline, the County Bank presented the lowest compensating balance which allows the City to invest the maximum funds with higher interest opportunities. She recommended Council to extend the contact with County Bank for three years under the terms they submitted in their April 19th proposal for banking services.

A motion to award the banking services contract to County Bank was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Welborn Adams noted the passing of CPW Commissioner Gene Hancock. City Manager Barrineau will see if any adjustments can be made to the “10 at the Top” program that is scheduled at the same time as the funeral.
Councilor Edwards inquired of the status of scheduled demolitions around the City. City Manager Barrineau stated that the four houses that were free and clear of asbestos have been demolished. He confirmed that the structure on James Street does have asbestos and staff is working on grant funds to abate asbestos from the six other structures before demolition.

Councilor Wiltshire noted that several lawns are turning into fields because of the overgrowth. The City Manager explained that recent rains are the cause. He doesn’t know the number of complaints that are being worked on but insists everyone should submit requests.

City Manager Barrineau noted the following:

- City Council will commit a $750 tap fee for Magnolia Park and the Parks Commission will pay for maintenance. City Council will vote on it at the June 3rd City Council meeting.
- Project Seminole is still on track. Second reading of the ordinance will be at the June 3rd meeting.
- There is still room for the trip going to the downtown farmers market in Walterboro, SC.
- City offices will be closed Monday for Memorial Day. The makeup day for residential sanitation services will be Wednesday, May 29th.
- Coil replacement on one of the AC units totaling $13,000 is taking place on the Municipal Building roof. The $500,000 grant was to replace the guts of the building. It will cost $3,000 to repair the leaky roof. A new roof will be needed in the future at an estimated cost of $150,000.
- The renaming of Seaboard can be planned for the June 3rd meeting for consideration if Council desires.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Betty Boles. Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.