

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

December 16, 2013 - 5:37 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT

Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams, and Ronnie Ables. City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant to City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City Attorneys Bacot and Padgett; Brian King of GwdToday.com and Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

Betty Boles and Linda Edwards came into the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:37 p.m. and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

City Manager Charlie Barrineau 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 confirmed a quorum was 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 Ronnie Ables, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 13-027
 Authorize the City Manager to Issue CPW Revenue Bond Anticipation Notes in 2014.

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed Ordinance No. 13-027 that authorizes the City Manager to issue CPW revenue bond anticipation notes for 2014. This is a standard ordinance considered by Council every year that allows the CPW to use bonds, if they have cash flow problems, to purchase natural gas.
 No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.
 There was no discussion from Council.

(2nd reading)

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-027 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 13-028 to Adopt the Budget for 2014

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed budget for 2014. The only change since first reading is showing the expense and grant revenue from the FEMA grant award to purchase a new fire/HAZMAT response truck.
 No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

(2nd reading)

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-028 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Linda Edwards.

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.

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CONSIDER
Ordinance No.
13-029 to Levy
Tax for the City
of Greenwood for
2014.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed ordinance to levy tax for the City of Greenwood in 2014. There will be a five mill tax increase from 98.7 to 103.7 mills.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-029 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.

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CONSIDER
Ordinance No.
13-030 to
Authorize the
City Manager to
Issue Tax
Anticipation
Notes in 2014.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed ordinance to authorize the City Manager to issue tax anticipation notes in 2014 if the City has a cash flow problem.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-030 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 13-031 Amending Appendix A, Rate 8.11, Appendix B & C of the City of Greenwood Business License Ordinance, Chapter 10, Article II of the City of Greenwood Code of Ordinances.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Barrineau reviewed the proposed ordinance that updated codes to the City Business License Ordinance to align businesses with the rate structure to match the Internal Revenue Service profitability statistics.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to amend approve Ordinance No. 13-031 was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 13-032 Amending Ordinance Number 12-024, the City of Greenwood Budgets for 2013.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed ordinance amending the 2013 Hospitality Tax portion of the budget regarding work expansions that would cost additional funds on the Oak/Main Streetscape project.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-032 was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER
 Ordinance No.
 13-033 Adding
 Section 139 to
 the City of
 Greenwood
 Business
 License
 Ordinance,
 Chapter 10,
 Article II of
 the City of
 Greenwood Code
 of Ordinances.

(2nd reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed ordinance that clarifies the language already in place.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

Councilor Williams asked if the ordinance would require all individuals that rented houses to obtain a City business license. City Manager Barrineau noted that there are a number of categories in the ordinance that allow most to be exempted.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 13-033 was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER
 Resolution No.
 13-007 to
 Authorize the
 City Manager to
 Expend
 Hospitality Tax
 Funds.

City Manager Barrineau discussed the City's proposed three year commitment to the Emerald Triangle - The Arts Center of Greenwood, Greenwood Community Theatre, and the Greenwood Museum. The first installment is included in the 2014 budget.

Councilor Edwards asked for a clarification as to how the three organizations would share the funding. City Manager noted that City staff would use the budget outlined by the three organizations. Payments would be reimbursed based on receipts and cleared checks.

A motion to authorize the City Manager to expend Hospitality Tax funds was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

Those who voted in favor were Mayor Adams, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Johnny Williams and Ronnie Ables. Niki Hutto abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

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CONSIDER City Manager Barrineau discussed the City's ability to apply for a \$200,000 Brownfield Cleanup Grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The funds will be used to provide a two foot dirt cap to cover a portion of contaminated soil at the former Kitson Mill site. If approved, the City will be required to contribute a \$40,000 cash match but it will not affect the budget until 2015.

Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application for an EPA Hazardous Brownfield Cleanup Proposal for 700 Kitson Street Requiring a \$40,000 Match.

A motion to authorize the City manager to submit the EPA application was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Ronnie Ables.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER City Manager Barrineau requested Council's permission to donate used Fire Department equipment valued at approximately \$20,000 +/- to Greenwood County.

Donation of Used Fire Equipment to Greenwood County.

A motion to donate the used equipment to Greenwood County was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER City Manager Barrineau discussed the Healthy Greenwood Neighborhood's request for financial support for their 2013 Annual Awards Banquet on January 30, 2014. For the last two years the City awarded a \$500 grant from the Community Development Account.

Grant to 2013 Healthy Greenwood Neighborhood, Inc. Awards Event.

Healthy Greenwood Neighborhoods Board Member Elyse Benson appeared before City Council to make the funding request.

A motion to grant \$500 to Healthy Greenwood Neighborhood, Inc. Awards event was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Ronnie Ables.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER City Manager Barrineau recognized Arlene Morgan who is interested in serving on the City/County Planning Commission. She had served once before and will be replacing Myrtle Rush who has resigned.

Appointing
Arlene Morgan
to the
City/County
Planning
Commission.

A motion to appoint Arlene Morgan to the City/County Planning Commission was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITY MANAGER
COMMENTS City Manager Barrineau reminded Council of the upcoming events:

- Tuesday, December 17 from 5-7 p.m. - Federal Building Drop In
- Wednesday, December 18 at noon - Public Works Christmas Lunch at Federal Building
- Thursday, December 19 at 5:30 p.m. - Partnership Alliance Holiday Drop-in at Pascal's Café
- Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, December 26 - City Offices closed
- Wednesday, January 1 - City Offices Closed

CITY COUNCIL There were no comments at this time.
COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer