

GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL

February 26, 2018 - 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT

Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Kenn Wiltshire, Matthew Miller, and Ronnie Ables; City Manager Charles Barrineau, Assistant City Manager Julia Wilkie, City Clerk Steffanie Dorn, and City Attorney Tripp Padgett; Adam Benson from The Index Journal.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor D. Welborn Adams called the meeting in Council Chambers to order at 5:30 p.m.

Bishop Oliver McCray gave the invocation.

STATEMENT AND
QUORUM

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.

City Manager Charles Barrineau apologized for his omission of requesting Council's approval of Johnathan Bass' appointment to the City/County Board of Zoning Appeals and asked Council for their consideration under New Business.

Mayor Adams asked for a motion to add a new item under New Business on the meeting agenda.

A motion to add another item under New Business was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA

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

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Matthew Miller.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No.
18-002 Deleting
Section 18-
20a(2) of the
City of
Greenwood Code
of Ordinances.

Under Public Hearings, City Manager Charles Barrineau reminded Council that the proposed amended ordinance will delete the distance requirement for overgrowth abatement between residences.

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no discussion from Council.

(2nd reading)

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-002 deleting Section 18-20a(2) of the City of Greenwood Code of Ordinances was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Matthew Miller.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No.
18-003
Authorizing the
City Manager to
Sign a Lease
with WC Fiber,
LLC, for
Placement of
Equipment and
Easement on City
Property.

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the request from WC Fiber, LLC, to place a piece of their equipment behind Fire Station 1. He assured Council that it will not impact the operation of the Fire Department.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire asked if WC Fiber, LLC, will provide free internet service to the City as indicated in the lease agreement. Councilor Niki Hutto assumed it would just be for Fire Station I. If approved, City Manager Barrineau will discuss it further with the company once the equipment is established.

(2nd reading)

No one spoke for or against the proposed ordinance.

There was no further discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-003 authorizing the City Manager to sign a lease with SC Fiber, LLC, was made by Kenn Wiltshire seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 18-004 Amending Ordinance 03-010, Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 3, Section 3.3.5.2. Additional Conditional Uses Permitted in GC (General Commercial)

(1st reading)

City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed the wording change in the proposed ordinance to allow food trucks at "permitted" events instead of "authorized" events in an effort to control the location of ice cream trucks during operating hours of the splash pad. Staff will send notices to vendors of the availability of space for a one-time \$300 fee for the entire year.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Kenn Wiltshire was concerned that this ordinance change would exclude other food trucks as with the strawberry sales exception. Councilor Niki Hutto noted that the intent of this ordinance would be to offer anything that restaurants in the area are not providing.

City Manager Barrineau confirmed to Councilor Linda Edwards that there are three or four ice cream truck vendors. Councilor Hutto noted that, unless this ordinance passes, they could all park back to back.

Councilor Ronnie Ables was concerned for the space and safety of the splashpad that was built for children to enjoy, not to make money. He will be okay with it if there is no mess and children remain safe. City Manager Barrineau assured him that there will be a designated spot for the ice cream truck. This ordinance will give the City control over what was already operating illegally outside of the Business License Ordinance.

No one spoke against the proposed ordinance.

Bishop Oliver McCray and Bill Kilmer spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance.

There was no further discussion from Council.

A motion to amend Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 3, Section 3.3.5.2., Additional Conditional Uses Permitted in General Commercial, was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
 Ordinance No. 18-001 Amending Ordinance 03-010, Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 3, Section 3.3.4.2. Additional Conditional Uses Permitted in GC (General Commercial).

(2nd reading)

Under the only Unfinished Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to allow the outdoor retail sale of strawberries, from April 1st to August 31st, in areas zoned General Commercial at a distance of 750 feet away from establishments that sell similar items.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-001 amending Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 3, Section 3.3.4.2. to allow the temporary sale of strawberries, from April 1st through August 31st, at a distance of 750 feet away from retail establishments selling similar or like products was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
 Appointing Johnathan Bass to the City/County Board of Zoning Appeals.

Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau introduced Johnathan Bass, an employee of the YMCA and a lifelong resident of Greenwood. Mr. Bass confirmed to Council that he is willing to serve on the City/County Board of Zoning Appeals.

A motion to appoint Johnathan Bass to the City/County Board of Zoning Appeals was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER
 Acceptance of Bids and Recommending the Contract Award of the Wells Subdivision Drainage Project.

City Manager Charles Barrineau reviewed the Wells Subdivision drainage project with Council. Although AM-LINER EAST, Inc.'s base bid of \$185,530 is below the total project budget of \$196,794, they must go through the State approval process with the SC Rural Infrastructure Authority. He recommends Council's approval until it is authorized.

DISCUSSION:

He confirmed to Councilor Betty Boles that the project shouldn't last more than 60 days, barring weather delays.

Councilor Wiltshire asked for more information about AM-LINER EAST, Inc., and how much time it takes to get approval from the State. He also expressed his concern of yards being dug up. City Manager Barrineau stated that the company is a national contractor with a solid background and it shouldn't be long before they're awarded the contract. The City Manager assured him that yards may not necessarily be dug unless an existing pipe may have failed.

He confirmed to Councilor Hutto that the company will have a performance bond and other safeguards in place.

There was no further discussion from Council.

A motion to accept bids and recommend the contract award of the Wells Subdivision contract to AM-LINER EAST, Inc., was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Authorizing City
Manager to Sign
Milford Pines
Sewer Agreement
with the
Commissioners of
Public Works.

City Manager Charles Barrineau asked City Clerk Steffanie Dorn to review the City's sewer agreement with the Commissioners of Public Works (CPW). It allows the developer to take advantage of the sewer agreement that reimburses up to \$500 per lot from the City and \$800 per lot from the CPW, for a total not to exceed \$1,300 per lot. She anticipates that 33 lots of the subdivision will be completed at just under \$20,000 of City reimbursement funds, which will be factored in the 2019 budget. Remaining lots are expected to be constructed within the next 3 years, with the total of City reimbursement funds to be just under \$50,000.

City Clerk Dorn also noted that under the infrastructure reimbursement agreement, as recently done for the Autumn Trace Subdivision, the developer is reimbursed for the construction of roads, storm drains, and sidewalks based on 75% of taxes received. This will allow the City to receive revenue until the project period expires, or the total is paid back.

DISCUSSION:

Councilor Wiltshire received clarity of the exact subdivision location and total lots from the City Manager.

There was no further discussion from Council.

A motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the Milford Pines sewer agreement with the CPW was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Kenn Wiltshire.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Donation of Six IRSA Police Vehicle Cameras to Due West Police Department.

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council that the Due West Police Department presented a bid of \$220.50 for a lot of six IRSA police vehicle cameras. Because there were no other bids on the second lot, he asked if all 12 cameras be sold to the Town of Due West for \$220.50.

There was no discussion from Council.

A motion to donate six IRSA police vehicle cameras to Due West Police Department was made by Kenn Wiltshire, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion unanimously.

CONSIDER

Executive Session to Discuss Economic Development "Project Down."

City Manager Charles Barrineau asked Council for an executive session to discuss "Project Down".

A motion to go into executive session to discuss "Project Down" was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The meeting recessed into executive session at 6 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:23 p.m.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Council that the City's front-loader trash truck was totaled in an accident. It will be replaced by a 2017 white truck.

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City Manager Charles Barrineau informed Councilor Edwards that his meeting with the Property Managers Association went very well. Members will inform their maintenance staff of what can and cannot go into sanitation green-cans and the City will provide color-graphic sanitation information sheets.

Councilor Wiltshire had a couple of concerns regarding the City's Financial and Fire Department reports. City Clerk Dorn informed him that the increase in business licenses could be from some businesses renewing their licenses sooner. She added that there have been no problems in the newly implemented decals. City Manager Barrineau will check with the Fire Department to see if the increase in violations could be from opioid recovery houses.

Councilor Hutto expressed her concern of recent shootings around the City and bomb threats that followed the Florida school shooting. City Manager Barrineau informed her that the City is working with local and Federal investigators. He was surprised that the Index-Journal hasn't posted any arrests of suspects in their paper.

Councilor Boles is concerned if the Police Department is receiving any reports of mentally ill persons potentially causing harm to the public. Councilor Edwards wanted to know what can be done, and City Attorney Tripp Padgett agreed, since the Florida school shooter was cleared to purchase weapons. City Manager Barrineau stated that Law Enforcement should not be guidance counselors but confirmed to Councilor Wiltshire that the Police Department is constantly meeting with School District 50 regarding training.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Betty Boles.

Mayor Adams adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer