GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL
January 25, 2010 - 5:37 p.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT
Council Members: Mayor D. Welborn Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles, Teresa Klauber, Johnny Williams and Barbara Turnburke. City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager, and City Clerk; Chris Trainor of the Index Journal.

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting in Council Chambers was called to order by Mayor Adams at 5:37 p.m.

Reverend Tommy Tucker, 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.”

The 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 Johnny Williams, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

The City Manager, Charles Barrineau, asked City Council if he could add another item regarding the allocation of funds for façade improvements loans along Long Alley to the agenda.

Mayor Adams asked for a motion to amend the agenda.
Motion was made by Niki Hutto, second by Barbara Turnburke.

The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER**

**Ordinance No. 09-035 Setting Policy Related to Smoking on City Property as Defined or in City Vehicles.**

Under Public Hearings, the City Manager, Charles Barrineau, reviewed the proposed 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 09-035.

No one spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Reverend Tommy Tucker of 122 Fuller Street, Greenwood, SC, spoke against the proposed ordinance as it is currently written. He feels the ordinance should include protection for all citizens and visitors at all facilities and public events.

City Councilman Johnny Williams would like to speak with every restaurant owner before starting a City-wide smoke-free ordinance.

Mayor Adams suggested a smoke-free ordinance should be coordinated with Greenwood County Council at the same time.

City Councilwoman Linda Edwards stated that rewriting this ordinance to make Greenwood a Smoke-Free City without first speaking with others will cause problems. People have choices as to where they want to go and government shouldn’t mandate what restaurant owners should do. This current ordinance is what City Council can control. It wouldn’t be fair to business owners to enforce a blanket no-smoking policy they don’t agree with.

Motion to approve Ordinance 09-035 as written was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Linda Edwards.

The motion passed unanimously.

Johnny Williams did state that he would like to slowly work on a smoke-free ordinance.
City Councilwoman Niki Hutto suggests asking for restaurateurs’ and entertainers’ opinions and then get County Council involved. Without County Council involvement, the City of Greenwood would be limited.

Mayor Adams suggested that this could be discussed at the next City/County Council joint meeting.

CONSIDER

Ordinance No. 09-034 Amending the City of Greenwood’s Official Zoning Map (Ordinance No. 04-020) by Rezoning Properties Located at 315 and 325 Magnolia Avenue from R7 (High Density Residential) to NC (Neighborhood Commercial).

(1st reading)

The City Manager, Charles Barrineau, reviewed proposed Ordinance 09-034.

At the request of Mayor Adams, the property owner, Mr. Jesse Adams, stated his intentions for the property which will be a building to be leased as a beauty salon.

Charles Barrineau said this building, along with a grant for water and sewer lines, will be a positive for this section of town.

City Councilwoman Linda Edwards suggested if City Council could work to get another property owner involved, this business will be an ideal location for those without transportation.

Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 09-034 was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

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CONSIDER

Reappointing Ted B. Wyndham as Senior Municipal Court Judge.

Under New Business, City Manager Charles Barrineau discussed how Judge Wyndham has been an asset to the City of Greenwood. He was first appointed City Municipal Judge in 1967 and must be reappointed every four years.

Motion to reappoint Judge Wyndham was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Johnny Williams.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

Approval of Amendment to Federal Building Concessions Agreement and Authorize the City Manager to Sign the Agreement.

The City Manager, Charles Barrineau, reviewed the agenda item. Only Section 5, Rent and Utilities, was changed. Beginning July 1, 2009, the Joint City/County Regional Tourism and Visitors Bureau is responsible for 20% of the utilities. The Arts Council has a 10 year payment schedule to pay a percentage of 80% until 2019 when they’ll start paying the full 100% of the utilities. The Arts Council is currently paying the prorated utility payments but this agreement puts it in writing. This ordinance must also go before the County Council.

Motion to approve the amendment to the Federal Building Concessions Agreement was made by Niki Hutto, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Appointing One (1) Person to a Vacant Term on the City of Greenwood Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

Councilman, Johnny Williams, nominated Jennifer Duffy to fill the vacant term on the City of Greenwood Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

Motion to approve was made by Johnny Williams, seconded by Teresa Klauber.

The motion did not pass.

Johnny Williams and Teresa Klauber voted in favor. Those who voted against were Mayor Adams, Niki Hutto, Linda Edwards, Betty Boles and Barbara Turnburke.

Motion to postpone appointing Jennifer Duffy until she’s able to meet with City Council was made by Linda Edwards, seconded by Betty Boles.

The motion passed unanimously.
CONSIDER

The Allocation of Funds for Façade Improvements Loans along Long Alley.

The City Manager, Charles Barrineau, reviewed the request. There are $100,000 Community Development Funds available for property owners to apply for façade improvement loans at three percent interest. He asked if City Council could make those funds available before he proposes it to the property owners. One property owner did ask if City Council could extend the terms from five to ten years considering today financial situation. Once a list of terms have been established between staff and property owners, the City Manager will then present it to City Council before having an attorney to sign the notes.

Motion to approve was made by Barbara Turnburke, seconded by Niki Hutto.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER

Executive Session to Discuss Two Contractual Matters.

City Manager, Charles Barrineau, stated that one of the discussions will be about a personnel issue and contractual matter. He doesn’t expect City Council to take any action after the executive session.

Motion to approve was made by Betty Boles, seconded by Barbara Turnburke.

The motion passed unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

D. Welborn Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk and Treasurer