

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

The Regular Council meeting was held by the Six Mile Town Council at Town Hall (106 South Main Street, Six Mile, S.C.) on March 12, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Members in attendance were Mayor James Atkinson: Presiding; Council: Mark Beckman and Jadd Smith. The agenda was emailed to the Pickens County Courier and the Journal on March 11, 2024.

Call to Order & Invocation

Mayor Atkinson gave the invocation then asked Councilman Smith to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Public Session:

Mayor Atkinson asked Thomas von Kaenel to discuss his work at his Semper Fi Barn located at 314 Smith Memorial Highway in Central. He told about the upcoming events he has scheduled and about the Barn and the functions thereof.

Mayor Atkinson then asked Niki Holiday, Senior Events Coordinator to come forward and discuss Senior Adult events. She explained that after the Spring Cleanup Saturday, March 16, the Seniors, along with the litter pickup volunteers will have an ice cream social in the Community Room to discuss Senior Activities.

The Mayor then explained the “Rules of Decorum” that will be followed if any members of the public would like to speak. No members of the public came forward to speak.

Swearing In Ceremony

Mayor Atkinson then asked Judy Shaw and her family to come forward. Clerk, Rita Martin proceeded to Swear in Mrs. Shaw as the newest Council Member of the Six Mile Town Council. She then took her Council seat at the table.

Committee Reporting

Public Health and Safety: Chairman Smith gave us the safety report from Pickens County Sheriff’s Office for the month of February.

Recreation: No representative from the Recreational Department was present.

Building/Grounds/IT: Chairperson Beckman has toured the rental and Town utilized properties that the Town owns, checking for maintenance and security. He and Katie Rampey are making a plan to rid the Town of the items in the Conex Containers out back via sale or discarding as applicable. He is looking into our lawn maintenance contracts, as we have two presently and he is considering condensing those and possibly having volunteers to complete some of the non-mowing tasks. The exterminating contracts are being reviewed as well. He went on to describe the progress of the Downtown Park Pavilion and Committee utilization after “chapter one” of the park is finished. Councilman Beckman will be with the architect while doing the “punch list” a final inspection for the structure. He has a quote for a buzzer system for the front door of town hall, so staff can keep the door locked but can open the door with a remote, that should be installed soon.

Mayor’s Report/Finance: Chairman Atkinson made a presentation to Councilman Jadd Smith with a framed certificate thanking him for his seven years’ service, as he is resigning as of April 30. The Mayor then announced the Spring cleanup on Saturday, March 16 with volunteers meeting at town hall at 8:30 AM. The Mayor discussed the Town Budget/Actuals as of the end of February, 2024 highlighting accounts with significant expenditure overages year-to-date and the associated reasons. He also referenced a bill for the recent special election for \$7,776.45 that has just been received from the Pickens County Election Commission and noted another upcoming Special Election would incur a similar cost.

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Consent Agenda

The minutes for the February 6 and 22, 2024, meetings were approved.

Action Items

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to accept a Proclamation proclaiming the week of March 17 as Thomas von Kaenel Week in Six Mile. Councilman Beckman made the second and the vote to adopt this proclamation was unanimous.

Mayor Atkinson made a motion to approve the second reading to take the Recreation Director's salary in its entirety out of account 7003 unless at such time some or all this salary is contributed by Pickens County. Councilman Beckman made the second and the vote to pass this motion was unanimous.

Executive Session:

Mayor Atkinson made a motion at 8:15 P.M. go into Executive Session per SC State Code Section 30-4-70(a) legal and personnel matters; Councilman Smith made the second and the vote to go into Executive Session was unanimous.

Mayor Atkinson called the meeting back to regular session at 8:55 P.M. and asked if there were any motions to come from Executive Session.

Councilmember Judy Shaw made a motion to accept the new form for Employee Performance Review for the Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk. Councilman Smith seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion to accept the revised Town Clerk/Treasurer and the Assistant Town Clerk Job Descriptions as the only two job descriptions for the town, the other personnel situations in the town being contract labor. Councilman Smith seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion to employ Sandra Gravely as Temporary Assistant Town Clerk for 20 hours per week starting Monday, March 18. Councilman Beckman seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion to accept the resignation from the Planning Commission from Judy Shaw effective March 11, 2024. Councilman Smith made the second and all voted in favor of accepting the resignation.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion to accept the resignation from Planning Commission from Vaunda Browning effective February 26, 2024. Councilman Beckman made the second and all voted in favor of accepting the resignation.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion to appoint Jason Plumb to the Planning Commission effective immediately. Councilman Smith made the second and the appointment was approved unanimously.


Councilmember Shaw made a motion to appoint Casey Cheek Smith to the Planning Commission effective immediately. Councilman Beckman made the second and the vote to appoint Casey Smith to the Planning Commission was approved with three in favor and one opposed (Smith).

Mayor Atkinson adjourned the meeting at 8:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:


Rita Martin/Clerk

Approved:

By: 
Date: 4-2-24