

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 6, 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 August 6, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Members in attendance were Mayor James Atkinson: Presiding; Council: Mark Beckman, and Judy Shaw. The agenda was emailed to the Pickens County Courier and the Journal on August 5, 2024.

Call to Order & Invocation

Mayor Atkinson asked Councilmember Beckman to give the invocation, and he asked Councilmember Shaw to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Swearing-In Ceremony

Mayor Atkinson asked Christopher King and Rita Martin (Town Clerk) to come to the podium and Christopher took the oath of office for Council Member to complete the term from which Jadd Smith resigned in April. Mr. King's term will end December 2, 2025.

Public Session:

Mayor Atkinson asked Dianna Colvin, Clemson Rural Health, to come forward and present the program that they offer to rural areas. They have a wide range of services that could help the residents to access healthcare in the Six Mile area.

The Mayor then asked Niki Holliday, Senior Engagement Coordinator for Six Mile, to come forward and tell Council about the events she has planned for the near future.

Mayor Atkinson then called Justin Winter and Sara Andersen to come forward and they were presented a "Storefront Beautification Award" for their new realty office. Justin thanked Council and gave a bit of detail about what they have done thus far with the old Community Grocery store at 141 S. Main Street.

The Mayor then asked if there was anyone else to speak, hearing none, he proceeded.

Committee Reporting

Recreation: In Chairman Proffitt's absence, the Mayor told Council that some of the County's maintenance crew helped out at Ponderosa Park with repairing gutters on the picnic shelter, painting doors, as well as other site work.

Building/Grounds/IT: Chairman Beckman mentioned that the paving crew is working at Town Hall this week in conjunction with the Mayor. The old Connex has been emptied and is ready to be sold. Phase II for the downtown park is under evaluation.

HR/Special Projects/Aesthetics: Chairperson Shaw is working on employee handbook. The Mayor asked her to think about planning another litter pick-up when the weather cools off a bit.

Mayor's Report/Finance: Mayor Atkinson was unable to access the finances for the meeting due to the temporary lack of internet service at town hall. He mentioned that there were three volunteers that did some clean-up/landscape work at the downtown park.

Consent Agenda

The minutes for July 2 and July 23, 2024, were approved.

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Action Items

Councilperson Shaw made a motion to refer to Planning Commission the following item for consideration:

*Reword the temporary sign section as suggested below to ensure compliance with current legal opinions surrounding political signs which prohibits content classification of signs by removing all references to political signs within the Zoning Ordinance.

Temporary Use of Temporary A-Frame Signs, Fluttering Ribbons and Banners.

Temporary A-Frame Signs, fluttering ribbons and banners may be used by a newly established business, or civic organization (e.g. church, lodge) for a maximum of up to forty-five (45) days during the first year that the business, institution, or civic organization is located at a site. A sign permit shall be purchased for temporary signage. The temporary signage shall be limited to only forty-five (45) days prior to the date of any referenced events, shall be no more than ten (10) in total, may not be placed on utility poles, trees, or public right of way and should have property owner's permission for placement. No temporary sign or temporary sign location may interfere with the safe operation of vehicular traffic. Utilization of fluttering ribbons or a banner under this provision shall require the issuance of a Special Event Sign Permit (as defined in the permit) by the Town of Six Mile. The Town Council of Six Mile is hereby authorized to establish a fee for the Special Event Sign Permit. Temporary signs must be removed within seven (7) days after any referenced event. The size of any such sign shall not be in excess of six (6) square feet, and not in excess of (3) feet in width.

Mark Beckman made the second and after some discussion the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Beckman made a motion to accept the second reading of the new bylaws for the Six Mile Recreation Advisory Board. Councilperson Shaw made the second and the vote to accept the new Bylaws was unanimous.

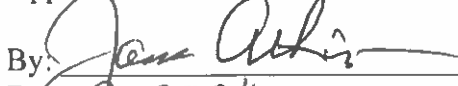
Councilman Beckman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:54 PM for the purpose of Legal, Contractual, and Personnel Matters per SC State Code Section 30-4-70(a), Judy Shaw made the second and the vote to go into Executive Session was unanimous.

Mayor Atkinson called the meeting back to regular session at 9:30 PM and asked if there were any motions from Executive Session. There were none and he adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:


Rita Martin/Clerk

Approved:

By: 
Date: 8-3-24