

**JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON**

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on July 16, 2009 at 7:30 p.m., EDT for the second meeting and was called to order by Mayor Mullens.

Margie Spence City Clerk, called the roll and the following members were present:

Ben Paul	Sonny Holstine
Jeff Means	Linda Anderson
Paul Neal	Jef Stevens
Dayton Griffith	Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Kent Rymer.

PRAYER

Offered by Dayton Griffith.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Margie Spence.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Margie Spence, City Clerk
 Danny Smith, Recreation Director
 Capt. Burdette, South Charleston Fire Department
 Brad Rinehart, Police Chief
 Steve DeBarr, Sanitary Board Manager/Engineer
 Gerald Burgy, Public Works Director
 Jason Pizatella, City Attorney
 Hanna Pettit, City Treasurer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Neal moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 2, 2009; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by Mr. Paul; seconded by Mr. Means to approve the financial report. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**DISCUSSION OF SALE OF ALLEY BESIDE ABBOTT'S WRECKER (MAYOR)**

Mayor Mullens stated Abbott's Wrecker is interested in purchasing the (paper) alley adjacent to their business. The alley is no longer in use therefore Abbott's is asking the city to sell them the alley. It was moved by Mr. Griffith; seconded by Mr. Paul to proceed with the sale of the alley provided the buyer consumes all costs. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVE RESOLUTION REGARDING CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES (MAYOR)

It was moved by Mr. Griffith; seconded by Mr. Means to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

BIDS**CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL**

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Griffith to approve an amount of \$5,147.66 – a yearly contribution – to the RIC office. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

REPORT OF RECREATION COMMITTEE – No written report. Mr. Holstine reported there will be a recreation meeting the first Wednesday in August at Little Creek Golf Course.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF – Submitted a written report.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report but Chief Rinehart stated he had applied for a grant to help equip police cruisers. Also Mayor Mullens swore in a returning officer, Andrew Gordon. The Chief stated a new officer will be hired next week making the total 39 officers.

REPORT OF SANITARY BOARD MANAGER/ENGINEER – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER – Submitted a written report.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – No written report but Mayor Mullens introduced Curtis Meeks of 961B Lincoln Drive who asked help with high water and erosion problems in an area not in the city's limits. Mayor Mullens stated the city has done what could be done but the issue rests with the state.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER – No written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Neal reported a meeting was held with VFW representatives regarding the use of the VFW property. He stated the group had several ideas for projects. A later meeting will be held to discuss the projects.

Mayor Mullens stated the Myrtle Beach Party will be held at Little Creek Park on Saturday. He invited everyone to attend.

Mayor Mullens also stated the Chamber of Commerce is holding a Business After Hours hosted by Little Creek Golf Course on July 28. Everyone is invited to attend.

CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

None.

CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Means moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Mullens adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVAL

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2009.

Frank A. Mullens, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:

Margie Spence, City Clerk

