

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

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on October 19, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., DST 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:

Westley Smolder	Tommy Spurlock
Bob Lilly	Kathleen Walker
Adam Strider	Laura Marker
David DiFilippo	Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Kent Rymer

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**PRAYER**

Given by Bob Lilly.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Margie Spence

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**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Shawn Zuniga, Recreation Director  
 Virgil White, Chief, South Charleston Fire Department  
 Brad Rinehart, Chief, South Charleston Police Department  
 Rick Atkinson, City Manager  
 Gerald Burgy, Director, Public Works Department  
 Michael Moore, City Attorney  
 Hannah Parsons, City Treasurer

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**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was moved by Mrs. Walker; seconded by Mr. Smolder to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2023 council meeting. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mrs. Walker to approve the financial report. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THEREOF THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (WEST VIRGINIA CWSFR PROGRAM); PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE REGISTERED OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF SUCH BONDS AND ADOPTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO (SECOND READING) (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mr. Lilly; seconded by Mrs. Walker to adopt the ordinance. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A REHABILITATION PROJECT FOR THE SOUTH CHARLESTON PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEM (FIRST READING) (MAYOR)**

This item was removed from the agenda and will be voted on at the November 2, 2023 council meeting.

**RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE OPEN CONTAINER LAW AND ENDORSE THE APPLICATION FOR A CLASS S WVABCC BEER LICENSE FOR YWCA – GUYS NIGHT OUT (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mrs. Walker; seconded by Mr. Spurlock to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**APPROVE PROCLAMATION FOR FAMILY COURT AWARENES MONTH (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Smolder to approve the proclamation. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**BIDS****TURF CARE CHEMICALS FOR GOLF COURSE**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mrs. Walker to award the bid to Advance Turf Solutions for various turf chemicals in the amount of \$52,455.07. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

**TAX COLLECTION SERVICES**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Spurlock to award the bid to HdL Companies NC for the provision of Municipal Tax Collection Services on a contingency basis of 50% of the taxes received from non-compliant taxpayers identified by HdL for a period of two (2) years. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

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**REPORT OF RECREATION DIRECTOR** – No written report. Mr. Zuniga reported that the Community Center will host Trunk or Treat at 6 pm.

**REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF** – No written report. Chief White reported that the firefighters recently involved in an accident are doing well and their prognosis is good.

**REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF** – No written report.

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

**REPORT OF CITY MANAGER** – No written report.

**REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR** – No written report. Mr. Burgy reported the soap box derby was successful.

**REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY** – No written report.

**REPORT OF CITY TREASURER** – No written report.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

The South Charleston Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony is scheduled for Friday, December 1, 2023. The Charleston Metro Band is scheduled to play at 5:15 pm and the tree will be lit at 6:00 pm.

The South Charleston Christmas parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2023 at noon.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Spurlock to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Mullens adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

**APPROVAL**

Approved this day \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Frank A. Mullens, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Margie Spence, City Clerk