

JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on May 2, 2024 at 7:30 p.m., DST for the first 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
David DiFilippo	Laura Marker
Kent Rymer	Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Adam Strider

PRAYER

Given by Kent Rymer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Margie Spence.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Hunter Moles, Recreation Director
 Virgil White, Chief, Fire Department
 Brad Rinehart, Chief, Police Department
 Arnett Hoston, Manager, Sanitary Board
 Rick Atkinson, City Manager
 Jake Arnold, Director, Public Works Department
 Gerald Burgy, Building Inspector
 Michael Moore, City Attorney
 Hannah Parsons, City Treasurer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Mrs. Walker; seconded by Mr. DiFilippo to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2024 council meeting. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

RECOGNIZE ASHLEY DEEM (MAYOR)

Mayor Mullens recognized Ms. Deem who spoke to council asking for support as a candidate for circuit judge.

RECOGNIZE NATALIE LALIBERTY, PRINCIPAL, RUTHLAWN ELEMENTARY (MAYOR)

Mayor Mullens recognized Ms. Laliberty who thanked council members and Gerald Burgy for installing a new playground for the school.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1511.01 AND 1511.02 OF ARTICLE 1511 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON CONCERNING THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE (MAYOR)

It was moved by Mr. Smolder; seconded by Mr. Lilly to send the ordinance to a second reading. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCING FOR VEHICLE FLEET FROM ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT IN THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON (MAYOR)

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

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE OPEN CONTAINER LAW AND TO ENDORSE THE APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL ABCC LICENSE FOR TACOS AND TEQUILA FESTIVAL AT OAKES FIELD (MAYOR)

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

BIDS

None.

REPORT OF RECREATION DIRECTOR – No written report.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF – No written report.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report.

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

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER – No written report. Mr. Atkinson reported that the library should reopen in the next month. The roof has been repaired, new flooring will be installed and new ceiling tile.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER – No written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

City Clerk, Margie Spence, reminded council members that the city’s Levy will be on the Kanawha County Ballot on May 14. Early voting begins May 1 and will continue until May 11. Election day is May 14.

The Annual Armed Forces Day Parade will be May 18 at noon.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Smolder to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

APPROVAL

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Frank A. Mullens, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Margie Spence, City Clerk