

JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on October 17, 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:

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

PRAYER

Given by Kent Rymer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Margie Spence, City Clerk.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Hunter Moles, Recreation Director
Chris Crowder, Police Department
Virgil White, Chief, Fire Department
Gerald Burgy, Building Inspector
Steve DeBarr, Engineering
Jake Arnold, Director, Public Works Department
Michael Moore, City Attorney
Hannah Parsons, City Treasurer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Mrs. Walker; seconded by Mr. Smolder to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2024 council meeting. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL APPROVING INVOICES RELATING TO DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER SERVICES FOR THE LIBERTY STREET LIFT STATION REHABILITATION PROJECT (MAYOR)

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

RECOGNIZE TODD DUNCAN, LIBRARIAN, SOUTH CHARLESTON PUBLIC LIBRARY (MAYOR)

Mayor Mullens recognized Mr. Duncan, who spoke to council about the ongoing programs at the library. He stated the library has approximately 236 active programs. A total number of 42,000 people passed through the library last year. Recently a full-time passport agent was hired. Mr. Duncan stated the library will also be a registration site for the TSA pre-check.

BIDS

FENCE MATERIAL – FARMER’S MARKET

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Rymer to award the bid to McNiell Fence Company in the amount of \$12,585.50. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

REPORT OF RECREATION DIRECTOR – No written report. Mr. Moles stated there will be a Rock and Gem Shoe at the Community Center this weekend.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF – No written report.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report.

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

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER – No written report.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER – No written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor Mullens spoke to council about the discussion held at the last council meeting concerning cats. He stated he had spoken to the Kanawha County Animal Shelter regarding spaying and neutering. He was informed the animal shelter will request the animal be taken to a private veterinarian as they could not attend to it if it is not the private owner. Mayor Mullens also spoke to private care veterinarians for suggestions for these situations.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Rymer; 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