

JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on February 6, 2025 at 7:30 p.m., EST for the first meeting and was called to order by Mayor Mullens.

Trina Rucker, Deputy City Clerk, called the role and the following members were present:

Tommy Spurlock
Kathleen Walker
Kent Rymer
David DiFilippo

Bob Lilly
Westley Smolder
Adam Strider
Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Laura Marker.

PRAYER

Given by Kent Rymer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Trina Rucker, Deputy City Clerk.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Hunter Moles, Recreation Director
Brad Rinehart, Chief, Police Department
Steve DeBarr, Engineering
Rick Atkinson, City Manager
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. Spurlock to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2025 council meeting. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE WEST VIRGINIA LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON – HEART + HAND OUTREACH MINISTRIES AND TO FURTHER ADMINISTER THE GRANT AS REQUIRED BY THE GRANT AGREEMENT (MAYOR)

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

RECOGNIZE ROGER SAMPLES (WALKER)

Mr. Samples failed to attend.

APPROVE RE-APPOINTMENT OF BILL SPENCE TO THE BOARD OF ZONING AND APPEALS (MAYOR)

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

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 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. Chief White reported the women's wet area at the community center is back open after the fire.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report. Chief Rinehart recognized the retiring Sgt. Bob Haulk. Chief Rinehart gave council members an overview of the past achievements of Sgt. Haulk and stated he would leave his mark in the city.

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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

The gym floor at the community center was taken up as a precautionary measure as outside water did reach the inside pool area.

The mayor recognized all department heads for the hard work they do in maintaining the city's daily operations. Mayor Mullens stated it had been a busy week for them.

Mayor Mullens also stated that Kokosing will be patching holes on Jefferson Road.

ADJORNMENT

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Spurlock to adjourn the meeting. The meeting

was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

APPROVAL

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Frank A. Mullens, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:

Trina Rucker, Deputy City Clerk