

JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on December 4, 2025 at 7:30 p.m., DST for the first meeting and was called to order by Mayor Mullens.

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

Tommy Spurlock
Adam Strider
Kathleen Walker
Bob Lilly

Kent Rymer
David DiFilippo
Westley Smolder
Kent Rymer
Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Laura Marker.

PRAYER

Given by Kent Rymer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Margie Spence, City Clerk.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Mrs. Walker; seconded by Mr. Smolder to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2025 council meeting. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AUTHORIZATION OF THE CREATION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON'S REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT #2 AND APPROVAL OF JEFFERSON PARK PROJECT PLAN #1 FOR THE PURPOSES OF REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN JEFFERSON PARK (MAYOR)**

Mayor Mullens opened the public hearing. As there was no one to speak for or against, Mayor Mullens closed the hearing.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 AND APPROVING JEFFERSON PARK PROJECT PLAN NO. 1 FOR THE PURPOSES OF REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN JEFFERSON PARK, SOUTH CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA AS DESCRIBED IN THE APPLICATION FOR REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 APPROVED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (SECOND READING) (MAYOR)

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

RECOGNIZE WES HOLDEN (MAYOR)

Mayor Mullens recognized Wes Holden who spoke to council announcing he would be the candidate for the 17th Senatorial district in Kanawha County. He asked the council for their support.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE KANAWHA COUNTY COMMISSION – COAL SEVERANCE FIRE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO FURTHER ADMINISTER THE GRANT AS REQUIRED BY THE GRANT AGREEMENT (MAYOR)

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE KANAWHA COUNTY COMMISSION – PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO FURTHER ADMINISTER THE GRANT AS REQUIRED BY THE GRANT AGREEMENT (MAYOR)

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

**APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF KAITYLN CALVERT TO LIBRARY BOARD
(MAYOR)**

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

BIDS

SALT SPREADERS – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARMENT

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Smolder to award the bids to WV Spring and Radiator for 3 – 7 cubic yard stainless steel spreaders in the amount of \$19,750.00; and Baker Truck Equipment for 1 – 3.5 cubic yard stainless steel spreader in the amount of \$8,790.00. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXTRICATION EQUIPMENT – FIRE DEPARTMENT

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Rymer to award the bid to All American Fire Equipment, Inc. for 11 sets off extraction gear and 1 set of turnout gear in the amount of \$23,300.00. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

STREET PAVING BIDS – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Spurlock to award the bid to Mr. Asphalt, for paving Riverside Drive in the amount of \$44,122.00. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

**PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT AND SWIFT WATER RESCUE BOAT –
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

It was moved by Mr. DiFilippo; seconded by Mr. Smolder to award the bids to All American Equipment, Inc. for 3 sets turnout gear in the amount of \$11,950.00 and to Mid-Atlantic Rescue System for a swift water rescue boat and gear in the amount of \$15,896.25. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

REPORT OF RECREATION DIRECTOR – No written report.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF – No written report. Chief White reported that the new ladder truck has arrived.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report.

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

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER – No written report.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER – No written report.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – No written report. Mr. Arnold stated that the tree lighting ceremony will be held at 6:00 pm Friday night.

Steve Barr, City Engineer, announced that he has reviewed the city's storm water ordinance and there is no change recommended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None.

ADJORNMENT

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

APPROVAL

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Frank A. Mullens, Jr., Mayor

Margie Spence, City Clerk

