

**THE TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, February 10, 2015

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Present from Town Council: David Bennett, *Mayor*; Lee Edwards, Marc Grant, Tom Lennox, Kim Likins, John McCann, *Council Members*

Absent from Town Council: Bill Harkins, *Mayor Pro Tem*

Present from Town Staff: Steve Riley, *Town Manager*; Greg DeLoach, *Assistant Town Manager*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; Charles Cousins, *Director of Community Development*; Nancy Gasen, *Director of Human Resources*; Scott Liggett, *Director of Public Projects and Facilities/Chief Engineer*; Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney*; Susan Simmons, *Director of Finance*; Julian Walls, *Facilities Manager*; Vicki Pfannenschmidt, *Executive Assistant/Town Clerk*

Present from Media: Zach Murdock, Island Packet

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2) PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3) INVOCATION

4) FOIA Compliance – Public notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Hilton Head Island requirements.

5) Proclamations and Commendations

Dr. Charlie H. White

Mrs. Orethia White was present to accept the commendation.

6) Approval of Minutes

a. Town Council Meeting, January 20, 2015

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The minutes of the January 20, 2015 Regular Town Council meeting were approved by a vote of 6-0.

7) Report of the Town Manager

a. Semi-Annual Update of the Parks & Recreation Commission – Heather Rath, Chairman
Chairman Rath presented the update for the months of July through December, 2014.

b. Town Manager's Items of Interest

Mr. Riley reported on some items of interest listed below.

- (1) Town News
- (2) Noteworthy Events

8) Reports from Members of Council

a. General Reports from Council

Mrs. Likins stated that she and Council members Lennox and Grant attended the MASC Hometown Legislative Action Day on February 4 and met with legislators. She reported that she and Council Member Lennox also met with Valarie Williams, Executive Director, South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority. She stated she let her know how important workforce housing is in the community and Town Council had made it a priority for this coming year.

Mr. McCann suggested Council discuss roads and sewers prior to the budget workshops in order to lay out a plan as to what the Town should spend and needs to spend to accomplish goals. Mayor Bennett asked Mr. Riley and staff to identify alternatives, recommendations and associated costs for moving forward on sanitary sewer installation as well as unsatisfactory roads. He suggested it be presented to the Public Facilities Committee for review and recommendations. Mayor Bennett also requested that Mr. Riley develop a bonding recommendation plan to include taxpayer impact for presentation to the Finance & Administration Committee.

Mr. Grant stated he attended the MASC Hometown Legislative Action Day and he met with Mayor Keyserling and Mayor Sulka and discussed offshore drilling. He said Mayor Keyserling would be sending him information and he would be sharing it with Council.

Mr. Grant informed Council he attended the LCOG meeting in January and received information concerning Community Block Grants and funds that may be available for roads and actual water and sewer hookup to homes that cannot afford the cost of such. He said he also spoke with Council Member Hamilton and Mayor Sulka of Bluffton concerning strategies they use and said they are willing to discuss them with individual Council members.

9) Appearance by Citizens

John Buchanan addressed Council urging Town Council to request an independent audit of the Hilton Head Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitor and Convention Bureau.

Linda Piekut addressed Council and reviewed the activities and events planned for History Day 2015 scheduled for Saturday, March 28.

Carol Benton addressed Council concerning the Lemoyne Avenue project.

Pamela Martin Ovens addressed Council requesting that Styrofoam cups and coolers be banned from Hilton Head Island.

Nancy Mitchell addressed Council concerning the nuisance of plastic grocery bags and the effect on wildlife and quality of life. She requested they be banned from Hilton Head Island.

Skip Hoagland addressed Council concerning his request of an independent audit of the Hilton Head Island Chamber of Commerce & Visitor and Convention Bureau.

Mary Amonitti addressed Council concerning the nuisance of plastic grocery bags and Styrofoam and suggested that instead of government intervention it would help to work with the businesses towards control of the trash.

10) Unfinished Business

a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2014-26

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2014-26 of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, authorizing the execution and delivery of a lease of real property owned by the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, with the Beaufort County Sheriff's Office and Beaufort County, South Carolina, pursuant to the authority of S.C. Code Ann. § 5-7-40 (Supp. 2011), and § 2-7-20, Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, (1983); and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

b. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-01

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-01 of the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, authorizing the execution of a lease with the Drydock Enterprises, Ltd. d/b/a The Drydock, pursuant to the authority of S.C. Code Ann. § 5-7-40 (Supp. 2011), and § 2-7-20, *Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina*, (1983); and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

c. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-02

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-02 of the Town Of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, authorizing the execution of a sale and purchase agreement and the execution of a deed for the sale of approximately 2.4 acres of real property along Spanish Wells Road to the Paddocks Limited Liability Company, pursuant to the authority of S.C. Code Ann. § 5-7-40 (Supp. 2011), and § 2-7-20, *Code of The Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina*, (1983); and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

d. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-05

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2015-05 of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, to amend Title 2 General Government and Administration of the Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina by amending Chapter 5 (Meetings of Council and Rules of Procedure) Section 2-5-60, Committees of Council; and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 5-1. (Mayor Bennett opposed.)

11) New Business

a. Consideration of a Recommendation – Crazy Crab Restaurant/Old Welcome Center Site

Consideration of a Recommendation that Town Council provide direction on a request for certain easements associated with the relocation of the entrance to the Crazy Crab Restaurant located along US 278 next to the former Welcome Center site.

Mrs. Likins moved to approve. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

12) Executive Session

Mayor Bennett stated there was a need for an Executive Session concerning legal advice on pending litigation. At 5:05 p.m. Mrs. Likins moved to go into Executive Session for the reasons stated by Mayor Bennett. Mr. McCann seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Mayor Bennett called the meeting back to order at 5:25 p.m. and stated there was no business as a result of Executive Session.

12) Adjournment

Mrs. Likins moved to adjourn. Mr. McCann seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Vicki L. Pfannenschmidt,
Executive Assistant/Town Clerk

Approved:

David Bennett, Mayor