

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

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2019

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Present from Town Council: John J. McCann, *Mayor*; Bill Harkins, *Mayor Pro Tempore*; Marc Grant, Tom Lennox, David Ames, Tamara Becker, *Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Steve Riley, *Town Manager*; Joshua Gruber, *Assistant Town Manager*; Charles Cousins, *Assistant to the Town Manager*; Shawn Colin, *Director of Community Development*; Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Carolyn Grant, *Communications Director*; Jennifer Ray, *Planning & Special Projects Manager*; Shari Mendrick, *Planner*; Marcy Benson, *Sr. Grants Administrator*; Andrew Nicholls, *Systems Analyst*; Krista Wiedmeyer, *Executive Assistant/Town Clerk*

Present from Media: Katherine Kokal, *Island Packet*

1. Call to Order

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

2. FOIA Compliance - Public notification of this meeting was published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Hilton Head Island.

3. Pledge to the Flag

4. Invocation

Father Greg Kronz of St. Luke's Church delivered the invocation.

5. Proclamations & Commendations - None

6. Approval of Minutes

a. Town Council Meeting, January 2, 2019.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the Town Council meeting minutes from January 2, 2019. Mrs. Becker seconded, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

7. Report of Town Manager

a. Design Review Board Update – Dale Strecker

Dale Strecker, Chairman, provided the members of Town Council with an update that covered the last six months of business. He highlighted the couple of new developments the Board discussed as well as the alterations and additions the Board considered.

b. Board of Zoning Appeals Update – David Fingerhut

David Fingerhut, Chairman, provided the members of Town Council with an update that covered the last six months of business. He highlighted the variances and appeals that the Board heard and indicated that to date there have been no special exceptions.

c. Island Rec. Center – Frank Soule

Frank Soule, Executive Director, provided an update to the members of Council and showed a short video with post construction pictures.

d. Flood Outreach Program Update/Program for Public Information Annual Evaluation Report – Shari Mendrick

Shari Mendrick, Floodplain Administrator, provided the members of Council an overview and update on the Program for Public Information Annual Evaluation Report. She explained the main focus of the program is the Flood Outreach Program.

e. Items of Interest

Mr. Riley reviewed the Items of Interest, including Town news, upcoming Town meetings, and noteworthy events taking place throughout the Island over the coming weeks.

8. Reports from Members of Council

a. General Reports from Council

No general reports from the members of Council.

b. Report of the Intergovernmental & Public Safety Committee – Bill Harkins, Chairman

Mr. Harkins reported that the Committee was in support of two of the Ordinances being discussed under New Business; Fleeing and Evading and Animal Control. He noted that the Committee recently discussed noise control as a result of the grinding matters and reported that it was nice to have the POA's present to take part in the discussion. Mr. Harkins reported that staff provided an updated about lighting as it related to the Yacht Cove cross walk, and were pleased to hear that the Design Review Board had approved the lighting which would be moving forward as planned.

c. Report of the Community Services Committee – Marc Grant, Chairman

Mr. Grant reported that the Committee finalized the interviews for the 278 Committee and would be discussing the full recommendation from the Committee during the Executive Session. He thanked all the applicants and said he was looking forward to starting work soon.

d. Report of the Public Planning Committee – David Ames, Chairman

Mr. Ames reported that the Committee did not meet in December, and was planning to meet on January 24th. He said in response to a request, the Committee is waiting on a confirmation from the State Housing Authority, who has been invited to attend the upcoming meeting to help explain the 4% tax credit program. Mr. Ames reported that the consultant would be at a Special meeting on February 14th where she would be delivering her next report.

e. Report of the Public Facilities Committee – Marc Grant, Chairman

Mr. Grant stated that he did not have a report.

f. Report of the Finance & Administrative Committee – Tom Lennox, Chairman

Mr. Lennox reported that earlier in the day, the Committee met where they reviewed, discussed, and made comments on the PUD Sewer System Agreements. He noted that no action was taken during the meeting, and discussion will continue regarding the matter.

9. Appearance by Citizens

Bill Miles: Addressed the members of Council regarding various Chamber items. He presented the Mayor the Chamber's five year DMO accreditation and the Leisure and Travel World's Best Award.

10. Unfinished Business

a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-01

Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-01 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 2-5-50, Agenda and Order of Business and Section 2-5-70 Appearance by Citizens and adding Section 2-5-80 (Rules of Decorum) and providing for severability and effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

11. New Business

a. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-02

First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-02 authorizing the issuance and sale of not to exceed \$5,000,000, Series 2019, or such other appropriate Series Designation, of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, fixing the form and certain details of the Bonds; authorizing the Town Manager or his lawfully authorized designee to determine certain matters relating to the Bonds; providing for the payment of the Bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; other matters relating thereto; and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. With little discussion from the members of Council, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

11. New Business (cont.)

b. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-03

First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-03 to amend Title 15 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, Chapter 9 to revise various Sections. This amendment includes changes that would clarify the scope and purpose of the Ordinance and revise the language and defined terms to be consistent with the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations 44 CFR Parts 59 and 60 and providing for severability and effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

c. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-04

First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-04 to amend the Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island by adding Chapter 11 (Fleeing to Evade Arrest or Detention) to Title 17; and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

d. First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-05

First Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-05 to amend Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina adopted by reference of Beaufort County Ordinance Chapter 14, Article II Animal Control; and providing for severability and an effective date.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

e. Consideration of a Resolution – 2019 Bicycle Friendly Community Renewal Application

Consideration of a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina to support the Town's Renewal Application to the League of American Bicyclists for the Bicycle Friendly Community Award.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mr. Ames seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

f. Consideration of a Resolution – Charter for the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee

Consideration of a Resolution by the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina authorizing the appointment of the Hilton Head Island U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

12. Executive Session

Mr. Riley stated that he needed an Executive Session for: (a) Legal Advice; receipt of legal advice related to pending, threatened, or potential claim related to; (i) ArborNature LLC vs. the Town of Hilton Head Island, et. al., (b) Land Acquisition; discussion of negotiations incident to the proposed sale, lease, or purchase of property; (i) in the Beach City Road area; and (c) Personnel/Employment Matters; (i) discussion and interview of potential Town Attorney applicant, and (ii) discussion of appointments of members to the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee.

At 4:35 p.m. Mr. Harkins moved to go into Executive Session for the matters described by the Town Manager, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Council returned to the dais at 5:45 p.m.

13. Possible actions by Town Council concerning matters discussed in Executive Session.

a. Possible Appointment of Members to the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee

Mr. Grant stated that the Community Services Committee conducted interviews with candidates for the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee and making a recommendation to the members of Town Council. Mr. Grant moved to appoint the following persons to the Committee: Frank Babel, Alexander J. Brown, Jerry Cutrer, J. Craig Forrest, Dejuan R. Holmes, IV, Hannah Horne, David C. Johnson, Jr., David T. Lunka, Thomas D. Peeples, Brendan Reilley, John Taylor, Kyle H. Theodore, and Tom Crews. Mr. Harkins seconded, and the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Mayor McCann appointed David Johnson as Chairman and Dejuan Holmes as Vice-Chair.

14. Adjournment

At 5:48 p.m., Mr. Harkins moved to adjourn, Mrs. Becker seconded. The motion to adjourn was approved by a vote of 6-0

Krista M. Wiedmeyer
Executive Assistant/Town Clerk

Approved: 02/19/2019

John J. McCann, Mayor