

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

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 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*; Shawn Colin, *Director of Community Development*; Scott Liggett, *Director of Public Projects and Facilities*; Brian Hulbert, *Staff Attorney*; Brad Tadlock, *Fire Chief*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Carolyn Grant, *Communications Director*; Jennifer Ray, *Deputy Director of Community Development*; Teri Lewis, *Deputy Director of Community Development*; 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

Student Pastor Justin Boyter, from Hilton Head Island Community Church delivered the invocation.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. Town Council Meeting January 15, 2019.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve the Town Council meeting minutes from January 15, 2019. Mr. Grant seconded, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

6. Report of Town Manager

a. Parks and Recreation Commission Update – Ray Kisiah, Chairman

Ray Kisiah, Chairman, provided the members of Town Council with an update that covered the last six months of business. He highlighted some items of special interest that will be brought forward into fiscal year 2020.

b. Items of Interest

Mr. Riley provided an update to the members of Council regarding the crosswalk lighting. He also reviewed the Items of Interest, including Town news, upcoming Town meetings, and noteworthy events taking place throughout the Island over the coming weeks.

7. Reports from Members of Council

a. General Reports from Council - None

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

Mr. Harkins reported that he was in discussions with Town staff regarding an educational session sponsored by Town Council regarding Complete Streets. He also stated that the Committee would be holding a special meeting on March 7, 2019 regarding the SCDOT's speed study. Mr. Harkins reported that the Sheriff's Office has been invited to participate at the meeting as well.

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

Mr. Grant reported that the Committee met to interview applicants to fill an open position for the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee. He said Council would discuss this recommendation later in the meeting during Executive Session.

7. Reports from Members of Council (cont.)

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

Mr. Ames reported that the Housing Consultant presented a report regarding the recent focus groups, community input, community meetings, and education tools. He said the report was a review of best practices, workforce housing strategy principles and parameters, to begin the workforce housing plan for the Town, and various tools related to financial and land use. Mr. Ames said that the Consultant is on track for delivering the April report which will include recommendations of short, mid, and long term steps.

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, the fiscal year 2020 budget process, the POA stormwater agreements; no action was taken with either item. He also reported that the Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the lease agreement for the lighting for the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra, which would be brought to full Council for review at the next meeting.

8. Appearance by Citizens

Vicki Watts: addressed the members of Council regarding coyotes on Hilton Head Island.

Alex Cruden, Lee Lopez, Judy Smith, Trudy Chailley: addressed the members of Council regarding a need for additional pickle ball courts.

Annette Cangro: addressed the members of Council regarding appropriate living conditions for pets kept outdoors.

Skip Hoagland: addressed the members of Council regarding the Town and Chamber matters.

9. Consent Agenda – None

10. Proclamations & Commendations - None

11. Unfinished Business

a. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-02

Second 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, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

b. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-03

Second 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. Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2019-04

Second 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.

12. New Business

a. Consideration of a Resolution – HUD/CDBG Entitlement Program Consolidation Plan Amendment

Consideration of a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina to approve the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program Five Year Consolidated Plan (2015-2019) Substantial Amendment.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mr. Grant seconded. Marcy Benson, Senior Grants Administrator gave an overview of the Program and how the funds could be used. She answered questions from the members of Council as well. With some continued discussion from the members of Council, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

b. Consideration of a Recommendation – Venue Committee Final Report

Consideration of a Recommendation for Town Council to accept the Venue Committee Final Report and its Appendices.

Mr. Harkins moved to approve, Mr. Grant seconded. With some discussion from Council, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

c. Consideration of a Resolution – Dissolving the Venue Committee

Consideration of a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC to dissolve the Venue Committee.

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

13. 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; (c) Personnel/Employment Matters; (i) discussion of appointments of members to the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee; and (d) Contractual Matters; discussions of negotiations incidents related to proposed contractual arrangements with the Town Attorney.

At 4:44 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 5:37 p.m.

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

a. Possible Action related to property in the Beach City Road area

Mr. Grant moved that Town Council authorize the Town Manager to enter into negotiation with representatives of St. James Church for the sale of 4 parcels of land total approximately 4.4 acres to facilitate the relocation of the church and the Old Chery Hill School from the Object Free Zone of the Hilton Head Island Airport. These parcels are listed on the Beaufort County tax map as parcels:

R510 005 000 010I 0000, R510 005 000 010A 0000, R510 005 000 010B 0000, and R510 005 000 0329 0000.

The land is jointly owned by the Town of Hilton Head Island and Beaufort County. This action is contingent on both Beaufort County and the Federal Aviation Administration concurring with this action.

Mr. Harkins seconded, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

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

Mr. Grant moved to appoint Sarah Stewart to the U.S. 278 Gateway Corridor Committee to fill the vacancy and Palmer Simmons as the 1st alternate to this committee. Mr. Harkins seconded, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

14. Possible action by Town Council concerning matters discussed in Executive Session (cont.).

c. Possible Action related to the Town Attorney

Mr. Harkins moved to appoint Curtis L. Coltrane as the Town Attorney for the Town of Hilton Head Island in accordance with the terms and conditions with the letter executed by both Mr. Coltrane and the Mayor and attached herein for the record. Mrs. Becker seconded, the motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

15. Adjournment

At 5:44 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: 03/05/2019

John J. McCann, Mayor