

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE
REGULAR CITY MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
August 2, 2021
7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Vowels, Commissioners Emmons, Garland and McDowell, City Attorney Hays as legal counsel, City Administrator Eden, City Clerk Miller.

Absent: Commissioner Hesse

Mayor Vowels called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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Mayor Vowels presented, for approval, the minutes from July 20, 2021 city meeting. After review, **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept minutes as presented. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels recognized the Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner McDowell (Road) – No Report

Commissioner Hesse (Sewer) – Absent

Commissioner Garland (Police/Parks) – No Report

Commissioner Emmons (Finance) –

Commissioner Emmons presented to the Commission Ordinance #2021-003 pertaining to the 2020-2021 budget amendment. Commissioner Emmons read the 2020-2021 budget changes. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of Ordinance #2021-003. Commissioner McDowell seconded. A roll call vote is as follows:**

Commissioner Emmons - Yes

Commissioner Garland - Yes

Commissioner Hesse - Absent

Commissioner McDowell - Yes

Mayor Vowels - Yes

Ordinance #2021-003 will be effective upon publication in the Sentinel News.

Mayor Vowels' Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Attorney Hays' Report:

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, Resolution #2021-005 pertaining to the Franchise Agreement with Great Plains. City Attorney Hays read the resolution in its entirety. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to approve Resolution #2021-005 as presented. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Attorney Hays presented to the Commission, for approval, the Great Plains Franchise Agreement. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Great Plains Franchise Agreement. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Clerk's Report: No Report

Mayor Vowels recognized the City Administrator:

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, JODA International's Payment Request #8 for 2018 (2020) Sewer Project. **Commissioner Emmons made the motion to issue payment request #8 for \$123,542.67 to JODA International. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, Kenvirons' invoice for 2018 (2020) Sewer Project. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to issue payment for \$6,689.80 to Kenvirons. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission, for approval, the agreement of legal services provided by Chelsey Brammell with Brammell Law Office. **Commissioner Garland made the motion to approve the Agreement for Legal Services with Chelsey Brammell and to authorize the Mayor to sign document. Commissioner McDowell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

City Administrator Eden presented to the Commission Ordinance #2021-004 pertaining to the Ad Valorem Tax. City Administrator Eden read the ordinance in its entirety. **Commissioner McDowell made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #2021-004. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Ordinance #2021-004 will be placed on the August 17, 2021 meeting agenda for the second reading and possible adoption.**

City Administrator Eden shared updates on the following:

Ad Valorem Public Hearing is scheduled for August 17, 2021, 6:45 pm; ARPA funds, first of two installments of \$378K, have been received. Recommendation expenditures will be presented at a future city meeting; PVA refunded the City \$4.5K; Salt company is sending information; Mitigation is in progress for completion prior to Police Relocation Renovation; Police Relocation Renovation bid openings is scheduled for August 12, 2021, 3pm.

Commissioner McDowell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Emmons seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned 7:30 pm.


Denise Miller/City Clerk


Cary T. Vowels/Mayor