



**MINUTES
LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
November 13th, 2023, at 6:30 PM
Rosewood Center
419 E Main St. Liberty, SC 29657**

Welcome and Call to Order Mayor Erica Romo Woods at 6:30 pm.

Invocation giving by Councilmember Padgett

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)- None.

Approval of Minutes –

October 9th, 2023- Regular Session

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal; 2nd: Councilmember Massie; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous

Unfinished/ Old Business: (2nd Readings)-

- Amending Business License Ordinance for 2023-2024- Ordinance 2023-11 (Standardization Act requires that by December thirty-first of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina (the "Association") and adopted by the Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office; Specifically this year there amending there NAICS Codes and adding in codes for Telephone companies.)
 - *Motion: Councilmember Arms; 2nd: Councilmember Whitaker; Councilmember Arms asked if this is required by state law, Mayor Woods responded, yes; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous*
- Ordinance 2023-16 100% Annexation (Currently in the County is going to 500 Low-Density Residential)
 - *Motion: Councilmember Graybeal; 2nd: Councilmember Shoenleben; Councilmember Arms asked about mobile homes. This parcel is not zoned for mobile homes. Vote: 7-0 Unanimous*
- Ordinance 2023-17 100% Annexation (Currently in the County is going to 500 Low-Density Residential)
 - *Motion: Councilmember Arms; 2nd: Councilmember Lavant; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous*
- Ordinance 2023-18 100% Annexation (Currently in the County is going to 500 Low-Density Residential)
 - *Motion: Councilmember Massie; 2nd: Councilmember Graybeal; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous*
- Ordinance 2023-19 100% Annexation (Currently in the County is going to 500 Low-Density Residential)
 - *Motion: Councilmember Whitaker; 2nd: Councilmember Arms; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous*
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New Business: (1st Readings & Resolutions)-

Department Head Reports-

Police Department
Public Works/Utility Department
Recreation Department
Community Development

(Adam Gilstrap)
(Tim Moore)
(Joshua Black)
(Philip Trotter)

City Administrator Report-

Administrator's Report

City Council Remarks:

Robbie Shoenleben (Ward 1)- *No Report*

Lavant Padgett (Ward 2)- *Lakeview Drive is complaining about a hangover on the road, and that needs to be addressed and taken care of as soon as possible.*

Daniel Graybeal (Ward 3)- *No Report*

Jeff Massie (Ward 4)- *Fall Festival was busy and had a great turnout. Thank you to all who participated and helped.*

Rhonda Whitaker (At- Large)- *Thank you to all who supported me in the election; I spoke with Michael regarding the trees hanging on businesses. This will be maintained and taken care of.*

Zachary Arms (At-Large)- *Great Homecoming parade. There were more people in attendance this year than last year. The next project I will be working on downtown—plans on meeting with business owners and gathering ideas to bring to Council.*

Executive Session (S.C. Code §30-4-70)

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal; 2nd: Councilmember Massie; No Discussion; Vote-7/0 Unanimous

- For the discussion of the employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, and or discipline of a city employee.
- For the discussion of the appointment of members to the Planning Commission.

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session

Motion: Councilmember Arms; 2nd: Councilmember Graybeal; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous

After coming out of the Executive Session, the Council may vote on items discussed during the Executive Session.

Mayor Woods asked for a Motion to appoint both applicants Karen Shore and Gareld Wilson to the Planning/ BZA committee.

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal; 2nd: Councilmember Arms; No Discussion; Vote 5-2, Councilmember Whitaker and Councilmember Padgett opposed.

Adjournment

Motion: Councilmember Massie; 2nd: Councilmember Whitaker; No Discussion; Vote: 7-0 Unanimous

Date Approved: 1/8/24

Mayor: 