

**Minutes of the
Simpsonville City Council
Committee of the Whole
Workshop Meeting
March 22, 2016
6:30 p.m.**

City Council Chambers – 118 N.E. Main Street

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Curtis

COUNCIL PRESENT – Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Graham, Councilmember Hulehan, Councilmember Braswell, Councilmember Cummings, Councilmember Lockaby, Mayor Curtis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Sherry Roche’ – 204 Foxhound Road – Traffic Issues in Hunters Woods
- Bill Jacobson – 224 Chancellors Park Court – Council Rules and Proposed Changes

CHAMBER PRESENTATION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Allison McGarity

CHAMBER UPDATE – Allison McGarity

- Chamber Annual Banquet will be held March 23, 2016
- Chamber Ambassadors Meeting, the 4th Tuesday of each month
- Business After Hours with Fairfield Inn & Suites, March 31st 6:00-8:00pm
- Monthly Luncheon, April 14th 11:30-1:00pm Events at Sapphire Creek
- Business After Hours with Laurens Electric at Eagle Zone, April 28th 5:30-7:30pm

DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS

FINANCIAL UPDATE

BUSINESS ITEMS

a. *Matters Referred by Staff*

1. Police Department Surplus Vehicles

Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2nd by Councilmember Gooch to move this item to the April Business Meeting for a vote. Motion carries unanimously.

2. Account for Arts Center Revenue

Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to move this item to the April Business Meeting to vote on opening a special account for funds as recommended by the City Administrator, David Dyrhaug. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreational Funding

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to move this issue to the April Business Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Matters Referred by Members of Council

1. Council Rules

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with 2nd by Councilmember Gooch to approve the draft as presented and draft an ordinance to be placed on the agenda and move to April Business Meetings for vote.

Amended motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Graham to move this item to the next Workshop/Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Vote taken on main motion as amended. Motion carried.

2. Feasibility Study for Arts Center

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with 2nd by Councilmember Cummings to establish a Project Team to determine the feasibility of converting the historic Simpsonville Elementary School into a fully functioning Arts Center by the year 2020 and move the issue to April Business Meeting for vote. Motion carries Yes = 6, No = 1. Councilmember Graham voting No.

3. Temporary Use of School Building

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with 2nd by Councilmember Gooch to except the proposal from GLOW, Lyric Theatre and Mauldin Theatre for temporary use of the school building with appropriate contract and move this item to the April Business Meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to table this item. Motion carried, Yes = 4, No = 3. Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Hulehan and Mayor Curtis voting No.

4. Funding for Fire Safety House

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with 2nd by Councilmember Graham to have City Council authorize Tiffany Cherry, Community Relations Specialist to work with Joshua Stephens, Modern Woodmen of America, Fire Chief Wesley Williams and other community partners, local businesses and individual citizens to create a fundraising plan to purchase an inflatable fire safety house. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Check Signing Process

Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to authorize David Dyrhaug, City Administrator to work with David Holmes, City Attorney on new check signing procedure adding City Administrator, City Clerk and Finance Director, Mayor and one other member of council to the list of approved signatures and move item to the April Committee of the Whole Meeting for vote.

Main motion withdrawn by Councilmember Graham.

Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to authorize David Dyrhaug, City Administrator to work with David Holmes, City Attorney on new check signing procedure adding City Administrator, City Clerk and Finance Director, to the list of approved signatures and move item to the April Committee of the Whole Meeting for vote.

Motion to amend by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to add a third authorized signature to the list of approved signatures and that person be appointed by council and be a member of council in the event one of the original three positions are vacant.

Amended motion carried, Yes = 5, No = 2. Councilmember Gooch and Mayor Curtis voting No.

Vote on Main motion as amended carried, Yes = 5, No = 2. Councilmember Gooch and Mayor Curtis voting No.

6. Roles and Responsibilities of Mayor, Council and Administrators

Motion by Councilmember Graham with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to review duties of Mayor, Council and Administrator.

Motion withdrawn by Councilmember Graham.

7. State Accreditation

Motion by Councilmember Gooch with 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to appoint Steve Moore to maintain State Accreditation of Police Department.

Motion by Councilmember Hulehan with no 2nd to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Motion failed.

Amended motion by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2nd by Councilmember Graham to allow the Chief of Police to appoint the person to maintain the State Accreditation for the Police Department. Motion carried, Yes = 5, No = 2. Councilmember Gooch and Mayor Curtis voting No.

Vote on main motion as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Budget Amendment

Item withdrawn

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Gooch to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.