

**Minutes of the
Simpsonville City Council
Business Meeting
December 13, 2016
6:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers – 118 N.E. Main Street**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Curtis

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

COUNCIL ABSENT – Councilmember Graham

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to approve minutes from November 15, 2016 Business Meeting. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

BUSINESS

a. *Matters Referred by the Planning Commission*

1. Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Cummings to approve 2nd Reading of AXZ-2016-08, Portion of Tax Map #0566.02-01-013.00 to annex and rezone this property at 530 Harrison Bridge Road. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to approve 1st Reading of Z-2016-02 for rezoning part of Tax Map #0574.02-01-011.00, 401 Neely Ferry Road. Motion carried.

b. *Other Business*

1. Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to approve the meeting schedule for 2017 as presented by staff.
Amended motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to change the February business meeting date from February 14, 2017 to February 13, 2017. Motion carried.
Vote of main motion as amended. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Gooch to approve the proposed revision to step 7 of the traffic calming policy. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Councilmember Cummings with a 2nd by Councilmember Braswell to award the bid for the construction of the fire station #5 to the Clover Leaf Group, LLC. Yes=5, No=1. Councilmember Gooch voting No. Motion carried.

4. Appointments to Boards and Commissions by ballot voting.
Appointment to the Planning Commission – Ed Brazier
Appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals – Sherry Roche and Lou Hutching

5. FY 2017-2018 A-Tax Funds Allocation
Motion to table by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2nd by Councilmember Braswell pending ethical opinion on funds going to the Chamber due to a member of the Chamber being on the A-Tax Committee.
Point of order by Councilmember Hulehan. Motion to table not debatable.
Roll call vote taken. Yes= 3, No=3. Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Hulehan and Mayor Curtis voting No. Motion to table failed.
Motion by Councilmember Braswell with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby to table this item until January 2017 until the feasibility study is complete before funds allocated to the Arts Center.
Mayor Curtis ruled the motion not well received.
Councilmember Braswell appealed the ruling of the Chair with a 2nd by Councilmember Lockaby.
Roll call vote taken. Yes=2, No=4. Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Hulehan, Councilmember Cummings and Mayor Curtis voting No. Appeal failed.
Motion by Councilmember Gooch with a 2nd by Councilmember Hulehan to approve the allocation of the state accommodations tax funds as recommended by the Simpsonville A-Tax Advisory Committee.
Motion to amend by Councilmember Lockaby with a 2nd by Councilmember Braswell to hold all funds in reference to an Arts Center pending the feasibility study. Yes=2, No=4. Councilmember Gooch, Councilmember Hulehan, Councilmember Cummings and Mayor Curtis voting No. Amended motion failed.
Discussion continued on the motion by Councilmember Gooch to approve the allocation of the state accommodations tax funds as recommended by the Simpsonville A-Tax Advisory Committee.
Point of Order by Councilmember Gooch. Councilmember Braswell denied recognition, she had spoken twice on the motion.
Roll call vote taken on the main motion. Yes =4, No=2. Councilmember Braswell and Councilmember Lockaby voting No. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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