

**CITY OF ABBEVILLE, SC
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018**

Members Present: Mayor S. Delano Freeman, Councilmembers Christopher R. Crawford, James R. Grant, James Jackson, H. Doyle Kidd, A. Faye Thomas and Augustus E. Wilson. Absent were E. Franklin Cape and Benjamin P. Greeson.

Staff Present: R. Blake Stone – City Manager, Fran Strickland – Assistant City Manager, Amber M. Price – Human Resources Director and City Clerk, Ron Bosler – Police Chief, Tim Hall – Public Utilities Director, Steve Boggs – Interim Public Works Director and Thomas E. Hite, III – City Attorney

Media Present: Henry Green – **Press and Banner** and Conor Hughes – **Index Journal**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Freeman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING PRAYER

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Wilson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Jackson and seconded by Councilmember Grant to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – None

INTRODUCTION/PRESENTATION

1. Blake Stone, City Manager – Introductions

City Manager Blake Stone introduced Tim Hall as the new Public Utilities Director, Ron Bosler as the new Police Chief, and Steve Boggs as the Interim Public Works Director.

ORDINANCES

Second Reading: Ordinance No. 7-2017: An Ordinance Of The City Of Abbeville, S.C. Authorizing The Amendment Of The City Procurement Program Labeled 131-1-92 (Dated December 12, 1991) To Maintain Compliance With Federal And State Standards.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kidd and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to approve Ordinance No. 7-2017 authorizing the amendment of the City Procurement Program Labeled 131-1-92 (Dates December 12, 1991) to maintain compliance with federal and state standards. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

First Reading: Ordinance No. 1-2018: An Ordinance Of The City Of Abbeville, S.C. Amending The City Of Abbeville Code Of Ordinances, Chapter Eleven – Nuisances To Create Standards To Address The Removal Or Repair Of Burned Structures Within The City Limits.

A motion was made by Councilmember Grant and seconded by Councilmember Crawford to approve Ordinance No. 1-2018 amending the City of Abbeville Code of Ordinances, Chapter Eleven – Nuisances to create standards to address the removal or repair of burned structures within the city limits. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

New Business –**1. Update on the 1% Sales Tax.**

David Krumwiede gave an update on the Capital Projects Sales Tax.

FORMAL REPORTS TO COUNCIL

Report No. 1-2018: Information Only – Impact Study regarding the Hogs & Hens Festival and the economic impact on our community.

Report No. 2-2018: Information Only – Police Vehicle Maintenance Policy Update.

Report No. 3-2018: Approval Requested – Approval of the agreement to dredge portions of Lake Secession and Rocky River.

A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Kidd to approve the agreement to dredge portions of Lake Secession and Rocky River. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

Report No. 4-2018: Information Only – City of Abbeville employee holiday schedule for calendar year 2018.

CITY ACTIVITY REPORTS

City Council received and acknowledged as information the Monthly City of Abbeville Department Activity Reports for December 2017.

NEW BUSINESS –

- 2. Consideration of appointment to fill the four year term of office of Ken Reece on the Planning Commission which will be expiring on March 11, 2018.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Kidd to reappoint Ken Reece to the Planning Commission which will be expiring on March 11, 2019. With no objections the **motion passed** unanimously.

3. Work Session

Mayor Freeman reminded council of the upcoming special city council meeting work session to be held on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 7 pm discussing Ordinance No. 2-2018.

OLD BUSINESS – None**EXECUTIVE SESSION -**

- 1. Contractual Matters – 2018 Spring Festival – Blake Stone, City Manager.**
- 2. Receive legal advice from the City Attorney – Tombo Hite, City Attorney.**
- 3. Personnel Matters – Police Chief – Councilman Jim Grant and Councilman James Jackson**
- 4. Discussion of Capital Projects Sales Tax – Blake Stone, City Manager.**

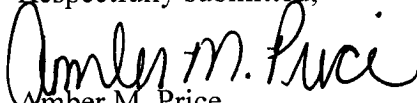
EXECUTIVE SESSION – POSSIBLE ACTIONS AND FOLLOW UPS

No actions were taken following the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss a motion was made by Councilmember Crawford and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to adjourn the City Council meeting at 9:11 p.m. The **motion passed** unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Amber M. Price
City Clerk