

**CITY OF ABBEVILLE, SC
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021**

Members Present: Mayor Trey Edwards, Councilmembers Louise Aikens, Christopher R. Crawford, Jason Edwards, Benjamin P. Greeson, Jr., James Jackson,

Members Via Phone: Matthew H. Gambrell

Members Absent: A. Faye Thomas.

Staff Present: R. Blake Stone – City Manager, Fran Strickland Anderson– Assistant City Manager, Ashley K. Suttles, City Clerk, Laura Snelling – CFO, Mike Clary – Community Development Director, Thomas E. Hite, III – City Attorney

Staff Via Phone: None

Staff Absent: None

Media Present: H. Green – **Press and Banner** None - **Index Journal**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Edwards.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING PRAYER

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Crawford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember J. Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Aikens to approve the minutes from the regular City Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021. With no objections the **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. **Presentation – Sharon Davis-Norryce and Interim CEO, Cindy Buck will discuss the current COVID-19 cases.**

Sharon Davis-Norryce and Interim CEO, Cindy Buck gave a handout to all Council and updated Council and everyone present on the current status of the COVID-19, vaccinations and hospitalizations.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –

1. Geoff Holt – City Resident

Mr. Holt addressed Council with concerns of COVID-19 testing fraud.

LEGISLATIVE

A. RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION NO. 1-2021

A Resolution Of The City Of Abbeville To Address The Public Health Crisis By Making A Recommendation To The Public About Wearing Masks.

A motion was made by Councilmember J. Edwards and seconded by Mayor Edwards to Approve Resolution No. 1-2021. A Resolution Of The City Of Abbeville To Address The Public Health Crisis By Making A Recommendation To The Public About Wearing Masks. Mayor Edwards and Councilmembers Aikens, Jackson, J. Edwards, and Gambrell voted in favor and Councilmembers Greeson and Crawford voted in opposition. The Motion passed 5-2.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss a motion was made by Councilmember Jackson and seconded by Councilmember Crawford to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:45 p.m. With no objections the **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Clary
City Clerk