

**CITY OF ABBEVILLE, SC  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021**

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**Members Present:** Mayor Trey Edwards, Councilmembers Christopher R. Crawford, Jason Edwards, James Jackson, A. Faye Thomas, John Sutherland, Benjamin P. Greeson, Jr, Louise Aikens, Mathew H. Gambrell

**Members Via Phone:**

**Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:** R. Blake Stone – City Manager, Fran Strickland Anderson– Assistant City Manager, Mike Clary – Deputy Administrative Officer/City Clerk, Thomas E. Hite, III – City Attorney, Laura Snelling – CFO

**Staff Via Phone:**

**Staff Absent:**

**Media Present:** Henry Greene – **Press and Banner** Robert Jordan - **Index Journal**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPENING PRAYER**

The opening prayer was given by Councilmember Thomas.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Councilmember Jackson and seconded by Councilmember Greeson to approve the minutes from the City Council Meeting held on September 8, 2021. With no objections the **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**LEGISLATIVE****RESOLUTION NO. 7-2021**

A Resolution of the City of Abbeville designating certain baseball fields in the community to be renamed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Greeson and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to approve Resolution 7 – 2021. With no objections the motion passed unanimously.

**FORMAL REPORTS TO COUNCIL****Report No. 43-2021 Approval Requested**

Opera House Consultant Approval

A motion was made by Councilmember Greeson and seconded by Councilmember Crawford to approve Report No.43 – 2021. With no objections the motion passed unanimously.

**Report No. 44-2021 Approval Requested**

McGowan Water Line Project Bids

A motion was made by Councilmember Gambrell and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to approve Report No.44 – 2021. With no objections the motion passed unanimously.

**Report No. 45-2021 Information Only**

Harrisburg-Haigler RFQ Results

A motion was made by Councilmember Jackson and seconded by Councilmember Edwards to approve Report No.45 – 2021. With no objections the motion passed unanimously.

**Report No. 456-2021 Information Only**

A.C.T.S Community Apartment Update

**Report No. 47-2021 Information Only**

Henry-Hillcrest Waterline Principal Loan Forgiveness Award

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Consideration of appointment to fill the five-year term of office of Margaret Harrison on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners which expired on March 8, 2021. (Ms. Harrison wishes to serve again)**

Councilmember Jackson nominated Ms. Harrison to serve again with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Thomas. The nomination passed unanimously.

**Consideration of appointment to fill the five-year term of office of Janie Aiken on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners which expired on March 11, 2021. (Ms. Aiken wishes to serve again)**

Councilmember Thomas nominated Ms. Aiken to serve again with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Crawford. The nomination passed unanimously.

**Consideration of appointment to fill the five-year term of office of Bridget White on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners which expired on March 8, 2021. (Ms. White wishes to serve again)**

Councilmember Jackson nominated Ms. White to serve again. The nomination passed unanimously.

**Consideration of appointment to fill the five-year term of office of Richard London on the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. (Mr. London resigned on July 23, 2021 and is unable to serve again)**

Councilmember Edwards nominated Susan Sherard to serve. The nomination passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Consideration of appointment to fill the four-year term of office of Sally Cooke on the Board of Zoning Appeals which expired on October 10, 2020. (Ms. Cooke does not wish to serve again)**

No nominations were put forward.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Richard London spoke regarding the Harbison Cemetery.

A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Sutherland to enter Executive Session. With no objections the **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Discussion of matters concerning the proposed location, expansion or provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to discuss a motion was made by Councilmember Gambrell and seconded by Councilmember Thomas to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:45PM. With no objections the **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,



Michael T. Clary  
Deputy Administrative Officer/City Clerk