

**CITY OF BARNWELL, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MINUTES of the MEETING of BARNWELL CITY COUNCIL  
July 2, 2018– 5:30PM**

MEETING LOCATION:  
130 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812

**REGULAR SESSION**

Barnwell City Council met in Regular Session with Mayor Edward Lemon presiding.

Council Members Present: Mayor Edward Lemon, Mayor Pro Tem Pickens Williams Sr., Harris T. Barker, W.C. Black, and Steve Walling

Council Members Absent: Robert Pattillo and Billy Dozier

Others Present: City Administrator John Zawacki, Clerk & Treasurer Kim Vargo, City Attorney Thomas Boulware, Fire Chief Tony Dicks, Director of Public Works Philip Stanley, and Recreation Director Pamela Davis

Mr. Jonathan Vickery of the People Sentinel was also present.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Lemon called the meeting to order. Councilman Barker led in prayer.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**UPDATE ON THE POLICE BUILDING**

Administrator Zawacki gave an updated on the police building. We will have the completed plans and specifications on July 16th for the building committee and Council to review. We may have to have a special called Council meeting to approve the drawings. The approved drawings will be sent to our building inspector for review and then we can go out for bids, hopefully, the last week of July.

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**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 4, 2018 REGULAR SCHEDULED  
BARNWELL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2018 regular scheduled Barnwell City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Barker and unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 2018 SPECIAL CALLED  
BARNWELL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2018 special called Barnwell City Council meeting and budget workshop. The motion was seconded by Councilman Black and unanimously approved.

**SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 2018-3 AMENDING THE CITY  
BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to read the Ordinance 2018-3 “AN ORDINANCE READOPTING AND AMENDING THE CITY OF BARNWELL LICENSE ORDINANCE TO FIX THE LICENSES OF THE CITY OF BARNWELL, S.C., ON BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF THE SAME” by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walling and unanimously approved. Administrator Zawacki read the ordinance by title only. Councilman Walling made a motion to accept the second and final reading of Ordinance 2018-3. The motion was seconded by Councilman Barker and unanimously approved.

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2018-4 RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A  
BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BARNWEL, SC FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2019**

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to read the ordinance by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walling and unanimously approved. Administrator Zawacki read the ordinance by title only. Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 2018-4. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walling and unanimously approved.

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## **ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE**

- We are still having problems with Orchids process water. Orchids is within their limits. We are working on a solution.
- The WWTP NPDES permit is up for renewal next year. Testing for the renewal will begin next month and continue for fourteen months.
- We will meet with SCE&G and Edisto Electric Coop on July 31<sup>st</sup> to discuss the electric service rights agreement in the City.
- Edisto Solar has started preparing the site on Barwick Rd for a solar farm. We are still waiting on plans before construction can begin.
- The City should have their first solar credit on the August SCE&G bill.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Water and Sewer (Councilmen Black and Dozier) – Philip Stanley informed Council that the bid for the digester has been advertised and the bid opening will be July 31<sup>st</sup>. The Rose St water tank is back on line and the logo will be painted on it in about two weeks.

Sanitation and Streets (Mayor Pro Tem Williams and Councilman Walling) – No Report

Recreation and Parks (Councilmen Pattillo and Walling) – Pamela Davis informed Council that the Major League 11 and 12 year olds won District and will be going to State. They are still practicing at the LPSC. It has been a good year for the Farmers Market. There have been three steady vendors and it has been supported by the community. There have been some problems in the parks. The recreation department is working with the police department to help deter mischief behavior in the parks. Collins Park will be locked at night. The new playground at LPSC has been getting rave reviews. The position for a parks and recreation supervisor is still open.

Police (Councilmen Black and Barker) – No Report

Fire (Councilmen Barker and Walling) – Fire Chief Tony Dicks told Council that his department has been working with Orchids for fire prevention training.

Finance and Salary (Mayor Pro Tem Williams and Councilman Pattillo) –No Report

Building and Planning (Councilmen Black and Dozier) – No Report

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Community Development & Tourism (Mayor Pro Tem Williams and Councilman Pattillo) – John Zawacki told Council that Lynn McEwen will be sending a letter to the paper thanking everyone who helped with the Independence Day celebration. It was a great success.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to go into executive session for a legal opinion on the EDC. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walling and unanimously approved.

Council returned to regular session.

### **ADJOURN**

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

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Kim Marie Vargo, Clerk & Treasurer