

MINUTES
TOWN OF DUE WEST, S.C.
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Angel; Council Members Susan Jackson, Jeannie Knight, Bob Mock and Tony Storey

MEMBERS ABSENT: Council Members Shane Bradley and Terry Arnold

STAFF PRESENT: David Krumwiede, Town Administrator; Attorney Paul Agnew; Patti Chasteen, Clerk/Treasurer; Police Lt. Blake Gambrell; Lewis Saxton, Utility Superintendent; and Roy McClain, Fire Chief

I. CALLED MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Angel called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Angel led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Jackson.

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

V. REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

A. A motion was made by Council Member Mock and seconded by Council Member Jackson to approve the minutes of our regular Town Council meeting from June 20, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Monthly Financial Statements for the Period Ending June 30, 2016—No changes were noted. A motion was made by Council Member Jackson and seconded by Council Member Storey to approve financial reports as information. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. LEGISLATION

A. RESOLUTION NO. 01-2016

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A REGISTERED ELECTOR LIVING WITHIN THE DUE WEST SERVICE AREA TO THE DONALDS-DUE WEST WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS SUCCESSOR TO THOMAS FRASIER WHOSE TERM EXPIRED JUNE 30, 2016.

Attorney Paul Agnew said Mr. Frasier recently passed and we appreciate his service on the Board for approximately 20 years. Council Member Mock made a motion to appoint Eric Gray, living within the Due West Service Area, to the Donalds-Due West Water and Sewer Authority's Board of Directors as a Successor to Thomas Frasier. Council Member Storey seconded the motion.

Mayor Angel said he has talked to Mr. Gray. He's willing to serve and has utility experience. In addition, Max Cox has recommended Mr. Gray. Council Member Mock stated that Mr. Gray works for Little River Electric, he's civic minded, and believes he will support this area. Council Member Knight asked if Board Members for our service area can live outside the Town limits. Attorney Agnew confirmed they can. He added the appointment isn't official until the Governor appoints him. However, Mr. Gray can probably still attend meetings, but not vote.

A motion passed unanimously to approve the reading of Resolution No. 01-2016.

VII. REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

1. Upcoming Summer Movie Nights Starting at 8:45 p.m.:

- The Good Dinosaur on 8/12/16 and Star Wars: The Force Awakens on 9/9/16

2. Abbeville County School District's Board Meeting on 7/26/16

The Abbeville County School District's Board meeting on 7/26/16 will include an engineering report on improvements which can be made to the two high schools in the county. Several Town of Due West council members plan to attend.

3. TATT's 2016 Regional Summit on 9/13/16

The Town of Due West is sponsoring a table of 10 per Mayor Angel. He and Council Member Jackson went 2 years ago--now she is on TATT's Board. Great opportunity to network with leaders across the upstate.

4. Regional Advocacy Meeting on 9/1/16 at Inn on the Square in Greenwood

COG's around the state will hold meetings for officials to learn more about advocacy efforts.

5. Fall Festival on 9/24/16

Mayor Angel said he is hopeful the festival will not be rained out again this year.

6. Born Learning Trail

Council Member Knight reported on the arrival of the Born Learning Trail signs and volunteers at the Washington Street Park in Due West on 6/20/16. The project is sponsored by the United Way of Greenwood and Abbeville Counties, Lowe's, and volunteers from the Colgate plant in Hodges.

B. David Krumwiede—Town Administrator

Mr. Krumwiede said the Town has been awarded a \$20,000 PARD grant. The Town will have to match a portion per Rep. Craig Gagnon. In addition, the Town is moving ahead with another RIA sewer grant and will use the services of Dunn & Associates again.

C. Paul Agnew—Town Attorney

Attorney Agnew said he'll be attending the Town's jury trial tomorrow. Mayor Angel said he was chosen as a juror.

D. Fire Department—Report provided

Fire Chief McClain stated last month was busy, but this month has been quiet. He hopes to keep brush fires down. Duke Energy is having an auction and he may go up on 7/28/16 to look at inventory. He likes one-ton 4x4 trucks with side compartments. With Lewis' contacts, he hopes to find out the condition of trucks without having to go to Charlotte. Mr. Krumwiede said he needs to go without taking a check. Chief McClain said he would only need a letter of credit from the bank. Mayor Angel said they could use for first responder calls and cut down on taking large fire trucks out. He also commented that the fire pay-per-calls were down last quarter and he appreciates that.

E. Police Department—Report provided

Lt. Gambrell highlighted the Police report for the month of June. May was a busy month, but June has slowed down. The Department recently held a training for taser, parole rifle and radar. Three officers currently have tasers. The next pistol and driver training will be toward the end of the year. In addition, they've issued blood borne pathogens forms required by OSHA to indicate whether or not they want shots for Hepatitis B or C. Mayor Angel said he witnessed an incident at Dollar General last week. He thought it was handled appropriately by the officers. Lt. Gambrell added that our officers need to be included in everyone's prayers--it's a difficult time in America.

F. Utilities Department—Report provided

Superintendent Lewis Saxton said July has been busy. They've had a broken pole, tree on a power line, and a blower down at the waste water treatment plant. Three blowers run 24/7--they're the heart of the sewer plant. They normally keep a spare, but they're very expensive. Mayor Angel inquired if others are over 2 years of age. Lewis said the other two are 5 years old. They keep them maintained. Council Member Mock thanked Lewis for spending time price shopping. Mr. Krumwiede said they've closed on the generator and getting ready to have installed. He added the cost will be split between the Equipment Reserve and Duke Rate Stabilization Funds. Council Member Mock added that he appreciates Mr. Krumwiede reaching out to BB&T to get a lower percentage.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Erskine Pool Discussion

Mayor Angel said the Erskine Pool was mentioned during a meeting with MASC's Jeff Shacker in February identifying the Town's priorities and goals. If it's something we want to pursue, the Town could come up with a resolution. He's talked to Erskine College and it would cost approximately \$60,000-\$80,000 to bring the pool up to standard. Council Member Knight asked if the liability would be high. Attorney Agnew replied the liability is very high. We'll be talking to Erskine and possibly setting up a committee to see what direction we want to go per Mayor Angel.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, a motion was made by Council Member Jackson and seconded by Council Member Storey to adjourn the Town Council Meeting at 6:55 p.m. Passed unanimously.

MAYOR

CLERK/TREASURER