

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF DUE WEST, S.C.**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Angel; Council Members Terry Arnold, Shane Bradley, Jeannie Knight, Bob Mock and Tony Storey

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Council Member Susan Jackson

**STAFF PRESENT:** David Krumwiede, Town Administrator; Attorney Paul Agnew; Patti Chasteen, Clerk/Treasurer; Fire Chief Roy McClain; and Police Chief David Maxwell

**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 Knight.

**IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

**V. REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**  
A. A motion was made by Council Member Mock and seconded by Council Member Knight to approve the minutes of our Regular Town Council meeting from June 19, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Monthly Financial Statements for the Period Ending May 31, 2017—No changes were noted. A motion was made by Council Member Bradley and seconded by Council Member Arnold to approve financial reports as information. The motion passed unanimously. Monthly Financial Statements for the Period Ending June 30, 2017--No changes were noted. A motion was made by Council Member Knight and seconded by Council Member Mock to approve financial reports as information. The motion passed unanimously.

**VI. LEGISLATION**

**VII. REPORTS**

**A. Mayor's Report**

**1. Pool Update**

Erskine College is handling the contract and pool work. The contractor is behind and has apologized. Erskine has indicated the pool might be approved by DHEC by next weekend.

**2. School Board Update**

The Board approved at the last meeting to hire a firm for long-term planning for entire district and are expected to finish research within eight months. The firm will visit each school. Council Member Storey asked if there would be a referendum. Regardless of what happens, Mayor Angel said there should be a referendum.

**B. Council Reports/Comments**

**1. Lions Club Sign at Washington Street Park--Council Member Knight**

Council Member Knight showed a picture of the sign the Lions Club selected. The sign will be placed in a location we decide at the park and cost approximately \$35. The fence has now been closed along the back portion of the park. She would like to order \$6,230 imagination pieces to entertain kids if we can manage the cost. Mr. Krumwiede thinks we can handle the cost. Roy McClain said we would have to mulch the area. Mayor Angel asked about our PARD match. He talked to Rep. Gagnon and he doesn't think it'll be too much longer. Attorney Agnew said we would not be reimbursed if we buy ahead of time. Mr. Krumwiede added the PARD grant is stalled and he can add things.

**C. David Krumwiede--Town Administrator**

No further comments.

**D. Paul Agnew—Town Attorney**

No further comments.

**E. Fire Department—Report Provided**

Chief McClain said everything is going good and June was a busy month. July has started off busy also. The ladder truck is out of service and waiting on repairs.

**F. Police Department—Report Provided**

Chief Maxwell reported that June was a busy month with 19 incidents. Some incidents were unusual. One auto break-in was solved at Dollar General. He's concerned about 3-4 criminal domestic violence cases. Since last month, he has hired Patrolman Justin Smith and hopes to have him soon at a council meeting. Officer Smith comes from Honea Path Police Department, attended Wren High School, and has been in the military. Chief is proud of him for a recent drug trafficking arrest involving a non-local individual passing through Town from Greenwood. Dollar General was happy to participate in the designated OfferUp internet safe exchange site and agreed to allow a sign to be placed in their parking lot. Council Member Bradley asked for the Chief to elaborate on the dog insert in a recent utility bill. He's had several residents ask him questions recently. Chief Maxwell said we are having a growing number of dog issues including running at large. Several dogs have recently been caught that they've seen before. Mr. Krumwiede said Abbeville County hopes to work out a centralized shelter.

**G. Utilities Department--Report Provided**

Roy McClain reported that the Utilities Department is staying busy. He received an email this morning regarding the generator's switch and they hope to have it in 3 weeks. They're currently looking at the first of August to do startup, emergency testing, and other testing. They hope to have the generator hooked up in two months. Lewis Saxton is doing well and starts 12 weeks of rehab soon. He will return to work in August.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

Council Member Bradley said some sidewalks are becoming impassable in Town. People are having to walk on the grass in several places. He thinks it's the responsibility of homeowners. Roy McClain added that he and Carlton spent four hours cleaning up an area around the sidewalks on North Main a few weeks ago.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**1. Upcoming Summer Movie Nights on Second Fridays Starting at 8:30 p.m.**

Although it was hot, approximately 60-65 people attended. Because of a storm, the movie had to be cut short 30 minutes.

**2. Fall Festival on 9/30/17**

**3. Thank You Note From Dixie High School Foundation**

Mayor Angel read a thank you note from Dixie High School Foundation.

**4. Town of Due West Council Member Signup and Petitions for 11/17 Election Begins at Noon 8/1/17 and Ends at Noon 8/15/17 at Abbeville County's Registration and Elections Office.**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business, a motion was made by Council Member Mock and seconded by Council Member Bradley to adjourn the Town Council Meeting at 6:40 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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MAYOR

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CLERK/TREASURER