

Town Council Meeting Minutes
North Town Hall
July 8, 2019

Mayor Carson called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Councilmembers Cook, Jones, and Williams

- Mayor Carson declared a quorum and welcomed visitors.
- Mayor Carson then led Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Mayor Carson requested approval of the May 13, 2019 Council meeting minutes. Councilmembers Cook and Williams were present. Councilmember Cook motioned to accept; Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and upon vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.
- Mayor Carson requested approval of the June 6, 2019 Budget Workshop meeting minutes. Councilmembers Cook, Jackson, and Williams were present. Councilmember Cook motioned to accept; Councilmember Williams seconded the motion and upon vote the minutes were approved unanimously.
- Mayor Carson requested approval of the June 10, 2019 Council meeting minutes, Councilmembers Jones and Williams were present. Councilmember Jones motioned to accept; Councilmember Williams seconded and upon vote the minutes were approved unanimously.
- Mayor Carson requested approval of the June 25, 2019 Budget Public Hearing meeting minutes, Councilmembers Cook and Jackson were present. Mayor Carson motioned to accept; Councilmember Cook seconded and upon vote Carson and Cook approved the minutes.
- Mayor Carson motioned for approval of the June 25, 2019 Special Called Town Council meeting minutes. Councilmember Cook seconded. Councilmembers Cook and Jackson were present. Upon vote, the minutes were passed unanimously.

POLICE REPORT:

- Chief Lin Shirer was not present to provide the incident report for the Police Department June 2019, but was represented by Mayor Carson.
- North Police Department responded to 32 calls for service, 19 incident reports written, 2 traffic accidents, and had 5 agencies assist.
- Warrants issues/served – 7 Warrants
- North Police Department presented 51 cases in North Municipal Court and issued 13 citations.
- North Police Department will be conducting Check Points in the Town of North during the next 30 days.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Account Statement for June, 2019. Mayor Carson asked if Council had any questions or concerns. Mayor Carson did not hear any questions or concerns.
- Mayor Carson requests approval of the 2nd reading of the Franchise Agreement with Aiken Electric Cooperative. Councilmember Cook motions to accept the second reading; Councilmember Jones seconds. Upon vote, the agreement was passed unanimously.
- Mayor Carson presented the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2019-03, Franchise Agreement with Dominion Energy. This agreement allows payment of a franchise fee payable to the Town of North. Councilmember Jones motions to accept; Councilmember Cook seconds and upon vote, the agreement is passed unanimously.
- Mayor Carson requests an update from the Events Committee. Ms. Reed provided and discussed the information for the upcoming North Edisto RiverFest which is planned for September, 2019.
 - Several events are planned to include a fish fry, parade, pageant, fishing tournament, and commemorative t-shirts available for public purchase.
 - Vendor applications for the event have to be in by Sept. 7.

- The Miss North Edisto RiverFest Pageant will be held Saturday, Sept. 7, and a \$45 entry fee is due by Friday, Aug. 23.
- A “take-out” fish fry meal will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20, with fish, coleslaw and fries at the pavilion in the North Town Square.
- There is a Paul “Big Daddy” Drew Fishing Tournament on Saturday, September 21. The entry fee will be \$25 per person with an additional cost of \$10 for the big bass optional competition and fees and applications must be in by September 21. The entry fee will include a T-shirt for the participants in the tournament. The start time is 6 a.m. with weigh in no later than 3 p.m. Fishing can be done in ponds, lakes, and rivers. Tournament applications are available at town hall or on the Facebook page.
- A parade will start at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 21 which will include craft and food vendors at the town square, with a DJ hosting an evening street dance, ending with a fireworks display at 9 p.m.
- The committee is trying to get pre-orders for (festival) T-shirts and the committee is still seeking sponsors for the T-shirts as well.
- Proceeds from the festival will be used to purchase a digital sign to contain information about current events/happenings within the town, with any remaining funds used for beautification of the town.
- For more information visit <https://www.facebook.com/ChristmasattheNorthPoleSC/> or pick up applications from the Town Hall.
- A town citizen inquired if informational booths could be at the town square during this event? Yes, they can, there’s a \$25 setup fee that will need to be submitted.

MAYOR’S REPORT:

- Mayor Carson encouraged individuals to come to the council meetings to voice opinions.
- Mayor Carson reminded everyone of the July 31st deadline for the Veteran’s Memorial Park purchases.
- Thanks to the North Police Department for the fireworks shot for July 4th, no town funds were utilized for this event, private donations from anonymous individuals were utilized.
- Mayor Carson mentioned that complaints from neighbors and local businesses not keeping sidewalks and property clear, has been in the Ordinance for the Town since 2004. Continued receipt of complaints will be addressed by a letter from the town. Those who don’t follow the Ordinance will be subject to a citation and fine. Mayor Carson is asking for all to comply.
- Councilmember Jones thanked Councilmember Cook for the safety vests supplied for the individual assisting to keep the town orderly.
- Councilmember Cook mentions that the Alzheimer’s Ride to Remember is coming through Saturday (10am-1:30pm) and then to Orangeburg.
- Mayor Carson inquired of Councilmember Williams for an update for Zoning. Councilmember Williams is looking to get more information on this subject for next month’s meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (written request)

- There were no written requests for public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS per sign-in sheet (3 minutes)

- No people requested to speak per the sign in sheet, and no topics were not listed.

ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business Mayor Carson asked if there was a motion to adjourn the Council meeting, Councilmember Jones motioned to adjourn, Councilmember Cook seconded, and upon vote was unanimously approved.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 12, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly McCormick
Town Clerk

Mayor Patty Carson: Patty Carson

Council Members:

Julius Jones: Julius Jones

Daniel Jackson: ABSENT

Deborah Cook: Deborah Cook

Jennifer Williams: Jennifer Williams