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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 2011

6:30pm

Council Present: Mayor Virginia Turbeville, Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Kate Smith, Council Members : Jason Newsome , Gerald McElveen

Media Present: Mary Lane of Manning Times

Employees Present: Teress Edge, Deborah Welch, Faye Atkinson, David Jones. Ellis Evans, & Grant Cannon

Guest Present: Jesse Welch, Benton Blakely, Stefanie Smith

Mayor Turbeville called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and asked Councilman Jason Newsome to have the invocation.

Mayor Turbeville entertained a motion to adopt the printed agenda. Councilman McElveen moved with Councilman Newsome to adopt the agenda as printed. Motion passed.

Mayor Turbeville called for a motion concerning the adoption of the minutes from the September 13, 2011 Regular Town Council Meeting. Councilman Newsome moved with Councilman McElveen seconding the motion that the minutes be approved. Motion passed.

Mayor Turbeville welcomed all of our guests to the council meeting and called for Public Participation. She recognized County Councilman Benton Blakely to report on County Council Meeting happenings. He gave a brief report of events concerning a landfill issue. Mayor Turbeville also recognized Stefanie Smith of the Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments who spoke briefly on the work on the Powell Neighborhood grant.

Mayor Turbeville then called for the various departmental reports:

- **Parks & Recreation** – Councilman Newsome reported Fall Football; Tackle & Tag & Cheerleading had begun games. The fencing on the ball fields was being installed and things seemed to going well with that project.
- **Water & Sewer** – Councilman McElveen reported that this department was running smoothly with grass being taken care of and machinery being in fairly good shape.
- **Police** –Councilwoman Smith gave a report on sale & use of the synthetic drugs commonly known as “Spice”&“K-2”. She encouraged all to be aware of the dangers. Chief Jones spoke briefly on this issue also. A discussion was held concerning an ordinance prohibiting drug paraphernalia. He stated that at this time, there was no testing Standards(SLED) on the synthetic drugs that would hold up in a court of law. Chief Jones wanted the Council to be aware of the Mutual Aid Agreement between agencies. There would need to be a signed agreement between agencies for them to work together. He

48 stated that he would be bringing more information back to council after research on the
49 issue.
50 There will be a "National Drug Take Back" October 29, 2011 in the Town Hall Parking
51 Lot to dispose of prescription drugs.
52 He spoke about the fatality rate that had tripled in Clarendon County and that Turbeville
53 Police Department would be involved in a County Fatality Reduction Initiative in the near
54 future.

- 55 • **Streets & Beautification** –Councilman Green was not present . Mayor Turbeville
56 Reported that the Contract had been awarded for Phase 7.
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58 Administrator Edge gave a brief overview of her written report. The USDA has received final
59 legal documents from our Attorney William Johnson. Work is being done on a lease agreement
60 for the new spray field for the wastewater expansion project. Final Funds have been received for
61 the Police Car Grant.
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63 Mayor Turbeville presented her report as information.
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65 Mayor Turbeville entertained a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering
66 contractual matters. Motion made by Councilman McElveen seconded by Councilman Newsome
67 to go into Executive Session. Motion Passed.
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69 Mayor Turbeville entertained a motion to return to open session of council. Motion made by
70 Councilman Newsome seconded by Councilwoman Smith to return to open session. Motion
71 Passed.
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73 Mayor Turbeville reported that though discussion took place in executive session, no decisions
74 were reached.
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76 A motion was made by Councilman McElveen seconded by Councilwoman Smith to approve
77 Ryan Slattery of Alliance Consulting Engineers as the Primary Resident Inspector on the Water
78 Expansion Project. Motion passed
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80 Mayor Turbeville called for unfinished or new business.
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82 With no further business Councilman Newsome made a motion with Councilwoman Smith
83 seconding the motion to adjourn. Motion passed
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85 Meeting adjourned
86 Respectfully Submitted,
87 Faye G. Atkinson
88 Town Clerk