

**Minutes**  
**Town of Yemassee Town Council**  
**February 23, 2023, Special Town Council Meeting 6:30 PM**  
101 Town Cir, Yemassee, SC 29945-3363

**Attendance:**

Present: Mayor Colin Moore, Council Member David Paul Murray, Council Member Pinckney, Council Member Alfred Washington, Town Clerk Matthew Garnes and Chief Gregory Alexander

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Peggy Bing-O'Banner

Media Present:

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**Call to Order:**

Mayor Moore called the Thursday February 23, 2023, Special Town Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

Council Member Murray led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

**Determination of Quorum:**

Mayor Moore asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented for February 23, 2023, Special Town Council Meeting as presented. Council Member Murray made a motion to amend the agenda to move Public Comment in front of Old Business, to remove Item a from Old Business as the annexation request has been rescinded and to add executive session at the end of the meeting for discussion of contractual matters pertaining to the Town Administrators Contract and Pest Control Services for the Town. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed, Agenda Adopted.**

**Public Comment:**

Stephen Henson (17 Mixon St)- Mr. Henson wished to commend the Town on the improvements with information on the sign in front of the Town hall.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-02, Consideration of a Request for an Ordinance Approving Annexation of two parcels of land of Approximately 8.00 Acres of land, located at mile-markers 39.5 and 40.5 on Interstate 95, and further identified by Hampton County TMS: 197-00-00-057 and 196-00-00-029. Mayor Moore asked if the Council had any comments or questions regarding this Ordinance. Council Member Pinckney made the motion to approve second and final reading. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-03, Consideration of a Request for an Ordinance Approving Annexation of one parcel of land of Approximately 2.00 Acres of land, located at mile-marker 39.9 on Interstate 95, and further identified by Hampton County TMS: 197-00-00-054. Mayor Moore asked if the Council had any comments or questions regarding this Ordinance. Council Member Murray made the motion to approve second and final reading. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Pinckney. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-04, Consideration of a Request for an Ordinance Approving Annexation of one parcel of land of Approximately 14.00 Acres of land, located at mile-marker 40.0 on Interstate 95, and further identified by Hampton County TMS: 196-00-00-031. Mayor Moore asked if the Council had any comments or questions regarding this Ordinance. Council Member Pinckney made the motion to approve second and final reading. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Murray. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-05, Consideration of a Request for an Ordinance Approving Annexation of one parcel of land of Approximately 4.00 Acres of land, located at mile-marker 40.8 on Interstate 95, and further identified by Hampton County TMS: 196-00-00-028. Mayor Moore asked if the Council had any comments or questions regarding this Ordinance. Council Member Murray made the motion to approve second and final reading. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-06, Consideration of a Request for an Ordinance Approving Annexation of one parcel of land of Approximately 4.00 Acres of land, located at mile-marker 40.9 on Interstate 95, and further identified by Hampton County TMS: 196-00-00-026. Mayor Moore asked if the Council had any comments or questions regarding this Ordinance. Council Member Pinckney made the motion to approve second and final reading. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-07, Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Town of Yemassee FY23 Budget to Recognize Additional Expenditures and to Allocate Sources of Revenue for all funds. Mayor Moore advised this is the second reading on

the budget amendment. Council Member Murray asked Mr. Garnes to advise what the new rates will be for trash service in the Town.

Mr. Garnes read off the updated rates for trash:

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| Residential Garbage Collection (96 Gallon Roll Cart)          | Per Month | \$20.00  |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (96 Gallon Roll Cart)           | Per Month | \$40.00  |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (96 Gallon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Can) | Per Month | \$24.00  |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (2 Yard - Once weekly)          | Per Month | \$153.15 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (2 Yard – Twice a week)         | Per Month | \$177.93 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (4 Yard – Once Weekly)          | Per Month | \$182.93 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (4 Yard – Twice a week)         | Per Month | \$216.90 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (6 Yard – Once Weekly)          | Per Month | \$182.90 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (6 Yard – Twice a week)         | Per Month | \$244.90 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (8 Yard – Once Weekly)          | Per Month | \$194.90 |
| Commercial Garbage Collection (8 Yard – Twice a week)         | Per Month | \$314.90 |

Mr. Garnes also reported there were changes to fees on two Planning Application Submissions:

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| Variance             | Per Submission | \$250.00 |
| Zoning Map Amendment | Per Submission | \$250.00 |

Council Member Murray made the motion to approve second and final reading of Ordinance 23-07. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

### **New Business:**

Mayor Moore read Ordinance 23-08, Amending Town of Yemassee Code, Chapter 12 (Parks. Recreation. Public Property) to add provisions for the Yemassee Recreation Committee. This update codifies the Recreation Committee and establishes procedures and guidelines for establishment and operations. Council Member Murray asked if the Council Member Liaison to Recreation would be Council Member Pinckney. Mr. Garnes

advised that yes, it would be. Mayor Moore asked for a motion to approve first reading. Council Member Pinckney made the motion. There was no discussion. Second by Council Member Murray. **All in favor, Motion Passed.**

#### **Executive Session:**

Mayor Moore advised that the Council needed to go into executive session for Personnel Matters pertaining to the Town Clerk and contractual matters pertaining to a potential contract for pest control services on municipal property. Council Member Murray made the motion to enter executive session. Second by Council Member Washington. **All in favor, Motion Passed. Executive Session began at 7:03PM.**

Mayor Moore asked for a motion to return to regular session. Council Member Pinckney made the motion to return to regular session. Second by Council Member Murray. **All in favor, Motion Passed. Executive Session concluded and regular session resumed at 7:21PM.**

#### **Action Resulting from Executive Session**

Mayor Moore reported that a decision was made pertaining to the contract of the Town Administrator and discussed a pest control contract.

#### **Adjournment**

Mayor Moore asked for motion to adjourn. Council Member Pinckney made the motion to adjourn. Second by Council Member Washington. All in favor, **Meeting Adjourned at 7:25PM.**