

**Town of Yemassee Council Meeting**  
**May 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**  
**6:30 P.M.**

Town of Yemassee Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:30pm at the Municipal Center, in Yemassee, South Carolina. Present: Mayor Jerry Cook, Council Member(s) - Daniel Anderson, Colin Moore. Staff present: Misty Reardon Clerk to Council, Willie Frazier Assistant to Clerk, and Gregory Alexander Chief of Police. (Absent) Council Member Jordan Jinks and Peggy O'Banner

**INVOCATION/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- 1.1 Invocation was given by Mayor Jerry Cook
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance was given by Mayor Jerry Cook.

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** Entire Council were present, except Council Member (s) Jordan Jinks and Peggy O'Banner.

**DETERMINATION OF NOTICE OF PRESS:** Press has been notified by fax

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

- 4.1 Council Member Anderson made the motion to amend the agenda for May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to add sections 11.1 for discussion of police department and 12.1 for discussion of MASC training. Second by Council Member Anderson. All in favor.

**ACTION ON MINTUES FROM March 14<sup>TH</sup>, March 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 & April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017:**

- 5.1 Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the council meeting minutes for March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017, second by Council Member Anderson.
- 5.2 Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the council meeting minutes for March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, second by Council Member Anderson.
- 5.3 Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the council meeting minutes for April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, second by Council Member Anderson.

**DISCUSSION OF ANNEXATION:**

- 6.1 Council Member Anderson made the motion to approve the second reading on the Ordinance for annexing of five total parcel of property four parcel owned by Low Country Property LLC and one parcel owed by Frank Mullen, that the properties be annexed into the Town of Yemassee, South Carolina, and second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.

**DISCUSSION OF TOWN ORDINANCES:**

- 7.1 Council Member Anderson made the motion to adopt the second reading on Ordinance 2.306 for changing of the Election filing fees for Council Member (s) from twenty five dollars (\$25.00) to one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) as well as the election filing fee for the Mayor from fifty dollars (\$50.00) to three hundred

dollars (\$300.00), second by Moore. All in favor. Council Member Anderson made the motion to adopt the second reading on Ordinance 2.105 for reducing the Mayor's salary from twelve thousand (\$12,000.00) to (\$6,000.00) a year and Members of Council salary will remain at four thousand eight hundred (\$4,800.00) a year, second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.

**DISCUSSION ON TOWN SIGN:**

- 8.1 Council Member Anderson made the motion to table this until next meeting so proper measurements could be taken so that council could decide which size sign would be suitable for the town, second by Council Member Moore.

**NEW BUSINESS LICENSE:**

- 9.1 \* Council Member Moore made the motion to approve the business license for Thomas Lawton aka residential contractor, second by Council Member Anderson. All in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- 10.1 Mrs. Williams informed council members that she attended the LCOG meeting and wanted to see if the town was going to follow up with the any of the grants that were available. Mayor Cook informed Mrs. Williams that he believes that we couldn't not pursue anymore grants until the one from LRWS was completed first, but that we would look into this and do what we could for the community.
- 10.2 Mr. Henson asked council of any updates on the missing street signs in Yemassee. Town Clerk advised Mr. Henson that Hampton County was in the process of getting the signs made and that we are working diligently to get this resolved as soon as possible.

**DISCUSSION ON POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

- 11.1 Chief Alexander informed council member(s) of the department's recent loss of their beloved K-9 officer. Council Member Anderson made the motion to approve the police department to get new K-9 officer for the amount of \$7,500.00, second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.

**DISCUSSION ON MASC TRAINING:**

- 12.1 Council Member Moore made the motion to approve Council Member Anderson to attend the MASC training in Hilton Head on July 20-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 and for the town to pay the amount of \$210.00 for registration, second by Mayor Cook. All in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- 13.1 \* Council Member Anderson made the motion to go into executive session, second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.
- \* Council Member Moore made the motion to come out of executive session, second by Council Member Anderson. All in favor

- \* Council Member Anderson made the motion to approve the new employee application for the Town Hall, second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.
- \* Council Member Anderson made the motion to approve the ad to be placed with Hampton County guardian for part time employment of the maintenance department, second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.

**MEETING ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Moore, second by Council Member Anderson. All in favor.