
MAYOR:
KIM E. WILEY



COUNCIL:
DWANDA BOLDEN
ALFONIA "AL" GREEN
JOE N. HADWIN, JR.
TAMMY SOLOMON

Town of Estill
Council Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2022

The Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor K. Wiley at 6:00 pm.

Invocation

The Invocation was given by Councilman J. Hadwin.

Present

Mayor K. Wiley, Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon, Councilman J. Hadwin, Councilwoman D. Bolden, Councilman A. Green, Clerk Treasurer, Edna O'Banner and Attorney Kenneth Davis.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Council stands and recites the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve October 26, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to approve October 26, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon. The motion was offered by Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon; with a second by Councilwoman D. Bolden. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Approve November 9, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to approve November 9, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilman J. Hadwin. The motion was offered by Councilman J. Hadwin; with a second by Councilman A. Green. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Habitat for Humanity - Mr. Jeb Bush

Mr. Jeb Bush stated he grew up in the Town of Estill. He also gave information on the background of Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Bush stated the Habitat for Humanity is allowed to build one home per year outside of the service area of Jasper County and Beaufort County. He stated this year the location chosen was in Estill. Mr. Bush stated when he learned about the one house accepted he set his eyes on assisting the residents of Hampton County. He did not realize how quickly the program would be in Estill. Habitat for Humanity intended to end generational poverty. The families are put through an extensive application property. Once selected the families are required to attend homeowner workshops, on topics such as budgeting and savings. Mr. Bush stated the families are also required to perform at least 300 hours of sweat equity. When the home is complete, they will purchase the home. They have

affordable mortgage that is less than 30% of their income and a safe, secure home. Mr. Bush stated the most critical need at this time is funding. The cost of the home will be around \$110,000. Mr. Bush stated he is optimistic on counting on the support of those in the county. Mr. Bush stated construction will begin the first quarter of 2023. Once construction begins they are going to need a lot of volunteers to build the home and no previous construction experience is needed.

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Department Reports

Police Report- Chief Solomon- Taken as info only. Mark Keel the Chief of Sled spoke to Mayor and Council in reference to needing more law enforcement support in Hampton and Estill. Mark Keel stated they are experiencing a shortage of law enforcement in many of the small cities and even in the large counties. Mark Keel stated there are many issues contributing to the shortage with law enforcement. Mark Keel informed Mayor and Council if they have any questions or need anything he is more than willing to help and support. Mr. Keel stated his cell number is 803-360-9805. Mayor Wiley thanked Mr. Keel for coming to speak and sharing the information with the Town of Estill and providing the town with safety measures.

Safety and Recreation Report- Documents Only - Taken as info only.

Fire Department Report- Chief Toone- Taken as info only.

Public Works, Water & Wastewater Report- Mr. M. Hamilton- Taken as info only.

Administration Report & Safety and Recreation- Edna O'Banner- Taken as info only. Mrs. O'Banner informed Mayor and Council that a retirement celebration will be held November 15, 2022 at 12:00 p.m., for Arthur Smart after 45 years of employment. Mrs. O'Banner stated the demolition grant for Morrison Ave closing out date will be on Monday November 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. and the public hearing will be held at that time. She informed Mayor and Council that they received an invitation from the Town of Fairfax to participate in their parade on December 3, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. and there is an entry form that needs to be completed. Mrs. O'Banner stated the grant award paper given to her by Chief Solomon states the SC Department of Public Safety Office of Highway Safety and Justice Program. She stated the sub grantee is the Estill Police Department and the grant title is Estill Police Department Radio Upgrade Project. The grant period is from October 1, 2022 - September 20, 2023 and that is also the budget period. The date of the award October 1, 2022 and the amount of the award will be \$32,691, in accordance with the provision of the Justice Assistance Grant, which is the JAG

program. On the basis of the application submitted the SC Department of Public Safety hereby awards to the foregoing subgrantee a grant in the federal amount showing above for the project specified in the application and within the purposes and categories authorized for the Justice Assistance Grant program. This grant is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this application and to the special conditions attached to the grant award. Funds will be dispersed to subgrantee according to the project budget upon receipt of evidence that funds have been invoiced and products received or that funds have been expended. The grant shall become effective upon the date of award upon return of this form to the office of Highway Safety and Justice Programs signed by the official authorized. This award must be accepted within 30 days from the date of the award and such quarterly and other reports required for the SC Department of Public Safety and must be submitted in accordance with regulations.

B. October 2022 Income Statement

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to approve October 2022 Income Statement as information only. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon. The motion was offered by Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon; with a second by Councilman A. Green. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

C. Public Comment

None

Mayor Exited Regular Session and Entered Executive Session at 6:36 p.m.

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to exit regular session and enter into executive session for a discussion related to i. Personnel: Utility Account, Police Department. ii. Contractual Matters: None. iii. Legal Matters: Attorney. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilwoman D. Bolden. The motion was offered by Councilwoman D. Bolden; with a second by Councilman J. Hadwin. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro-Tem T. Solomon recused herself from the discussion.

Mayor Exited Executive Session and Entered Regular Session at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to exit executive session and enter regular session from a discussion related to i. Personnel: Utility Account, Police Department. ii. Contractual Matters: None. iii. Legal Matters: Attorney. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilman J. Hadwin. The motion was offered by Councilman J. Hadwin; with a second by Councilman A. Green. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Personnel

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion that Utility subject A be informed to draft an affidavit stating when the water was terminated and the draft can be submitted at the next Council Meeting. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilman A. Green. The motion was offered by Councilman A. Green; with a second by Councilwoman D. Bolden. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion that Utility subject B be allowed to lease property. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilwoman D. Bolden. The motion was offered by Councilwoman D. Bolden; with a second by Councilman J. Hadwin. Council voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to have the incident pertaining to Chief C. Solomon conduct during the meeting be placed in his personnel file. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilwoman D. Bolden. The motion was offered by Councilwoman D. Bolden; The motion was on the floor, there was no second on the motion, therefore the motion died.

Mayor Pro Tem Tammy Solomon asked to have the minutes reflect that she did not and was not a part of any of the Fall Festival 2022 events.

Councilman Joe Hadwin asked to have the minutes reflect that he did not and was not a part of any of the Fall Festival 2022 events.

Councilman Alfonia Green asked to have the minutes reflect that he did not and was not a part of any of the Fall Festival 2022 events.

Adjourn

Mayor K. Wiley asked for a motion to adjourn. Mayor K. Wiley recognized Councilwoman D. Bolden. The motion was offered by Councilwoman D. Bolden; with a second by Councilman J. Hadwin. Council Voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Mayor K. Wiley adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.
ADOPTED this 9th Day of November



Kim Wiley, Mayor



Tammy Solomon, Mayor Pro Tem



Dwanda Bolden, Councilwoman



Alfonia "Al" Green, Councilman



Joe Hadwin Jr., Councilman

ATTEST:

Edna O'Banner, Clerk Treasurer