



TOWN OF NORWAY

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TOWN OF NORWAY COUNCIL MEETING

Via Conference Call/Virtual: 720-740-9696 Pin# 581 4891

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April 19, 2021 - 7PM

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to Order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Clemons.
2. Members Present: Mayor Tracie Clemons, Councilperson Berley James, Councilperson Kelvin Crosby.
Absent: Councilperson Bonnie Fogle and Councilperson Gregg Covington.
3. Councilperson Berley James led the invocation.
4. Mayor Clemons asked that the Agenda be approved. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the Agenda. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
5. Mayor Clemons reviewed the following budgets: Victims Advocate, Municipal Court, Public Service Commission, and General Fund (see attachments for all). Discussion of the information followed after each budget had been presented. The only changes made were increasing the expenses for the Court from \$100.00 yearly to \$150.00 yearly. After the discussion Mayor Clemons asked that there be a motion to accept the budget with the revisions that were discussed. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the budget with the revisions. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
6. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson James made the motion to adjourn. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Date Accepted: May 3, 2021

Tracie M. Clemons, Mayor

Gregg Covington, Councilperson

Kelvin Crosby, Councilperson

Bonnie Fogle, Councilperson

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April 5, 2021 - 7PM

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to Order at 7:01 PM by Mayor Clemons.
2. Members Present: Mayor Tracie Clemons, Councilperson Berley James, Councilperson Bonnie Fogle, Councilperson Gregg Covington, Councilperson Kelvin Crosby arrived late.
3. Councilperson Gregg Covington led the invocation.
4. Mayor Clemons asked that the Agenda be approved. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept the Agenda. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
5. Mayor Clemons asked Council members to review the minutes from the previous meeting. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the minutes. Councilperson Covington seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
6. Mayor Clemons reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Councilperson Covington questioned the payroll expense for \$17,200.00. Mayor Clemons explained that was to pay the back taxes on payroll. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept the financial report. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept the financial report. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. (See attached report.)
7. Department Reports
 - a. Police Department: Mayor Clemons presented the report. Please see attached copy.
 - b. Water & Wastewater Department: Mayor Clemons presented the report. Please see attached copy.
 - c. Parks & Recreation: There is no report at this time.
 - d. Streets and Sanitation: Councilperson James shared that on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 the following volunteers assisted with litter pick-up: Mark James, Gabriel Tyler, and Rita Tyler. The following areas were cleaned: The corner of Norway Road at Harrison and the intersection of 2nd Street, Lexington Avenue and Williamson Way. There were at least 10 or more bags of litter to be disposed of. A very special thank you to Mr. Tyler for hauling the litter to the waste site. Pictures of the area will be taken once it is cleaned, and those pictures will be uploaded to the Town's Facebook page.

8. Unfinished Business.

- a. Mayor Clemons stated that this was the second reading of Town Ordinance 2021-001: Amend the Town of Norway Business License Ordinance License Period. Mayor Clemons read the ordinance and gave information on the purpose of the ordinance. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept Town Ordinance 2021-001. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept the Ordinance. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
- b. Re-opening Park: Mayor Clemons shared that the Norway Park would reopen on Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 8:00 am – 8:00 pm. Mayor Clemons shared that at this time the park will only be open two days a week once it has reopened. Those days are Saturday and Sunday, and the hours will be from 8:00 am – 8:00 pm. Mayor Clemons stressed that citizens would use the park at their own risk. The Town will supply hand sanitizer at the entrance to the park as well as a thermometer for temperature checks. Mayor Clemons stated that the Town would try this for a month and monitor the situation. She stated that at the end of the month the issue would be revisited. Councilperson Covington asked about how we would limit the number of people in the park at any given time. Mayor Clemons reiterated that citizens would be using the park at their own risk. She explained that the Town did not have the resources to have someone sit down at the park to monitor the situation. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept reopening the park. Councilperson James made the motion to reopen the park as stated. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

9. New Business:

- a. Town of Norway Resolution 2021-002: A Resolution to Designate April 2021 as Fair Housing Month. Mayor Clemons read the resolution (see attached.) Mayor Clemons then asked for a motion to accept Resolution 2021-002: A Resolution to Designate April 2021 as Fair Housing Month. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the Resolution. Councilperson Covington seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
- b. First reading of Town of Norway Ordinance 2021-002: An Ordinance to Transfer Authority to Orangeburg County to Conduct the Town of Norway Municipal Elections (see attached.) Councilperson Covington made a motion to table the discussion on this ordinance until the Town could resume regular meetings so that the public could have a say on the ordinance. Councilperson Covington stated that this was the first that he was hearing about this ordinance. Mayor Clemons stated that we had only recently received the information from the county and asked that she be allowed to read the ordinance and explain it. Mayor Clemons read the Ordinance and explained it. Discussion followed. Councilperson Fogle asked if this ordinance would save the Town money. More discussion followed. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 2021-002. Councilperson James made a motion to accept the first reading. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
- c. Self-Evaluation Plan via Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): Mayor Clemons explained the purpose of the Self-Evaluation Plan and why it was needed. Mayor Clemons read over the plan and shared the recommendations that had been made (please see attached).
- d. Town of Norway Resolution 2021-003: Resolution to Adopt South State Bank

Authorization. Mayor Clemons shared the purpose of and read the Resolution (please see attached). Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept the Resolution. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept Resolution 2021-003: Resolution to Adopt South State Bank Authorization. Councilperson Crosby seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.

10. Mayor Clemons opened the floor for Public Comments.

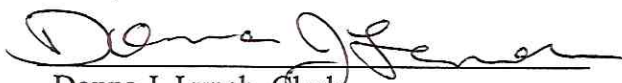

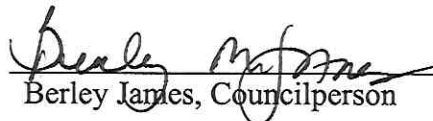
- a. Teresa Morton asked what could be done about the lot behind the old Texaco station. She stated that it is an eyesore due to all of the junk that is on the lot. Mayor Clemons stated that because it was personal property the Town of Norway couldn't go on the property. She stated that Orangeburg County has been issuing litter citations and to contact them directly.

11. Announcements:

- a. Town of Norway Budget Workshop on Monday, April 19, 2021.
- b. Western Orangeburg County Mayors United will be hosting another drive-thru food distribution on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at the Woodford Community Center located at 501 Hayden Road, North, SC 29112 from 10:00 am until all food boxes are gone.
- c. Mayor Clemons will be attending the Investiture Ceremony and the Annual Legacy Scholarship Gala on Friday, April 30, 2021 at Denmark Technical College. The Town donated \$250.00 towards the legacy scholarship fund.

12. Councilperson Covington made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson James seconded the motion; all in favor, so moved. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Date Accepted: May 3, 2021,


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Donna J. Lynch, Clerk
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