

TOWN OF NORWAY

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TOWN OF NORWAY COUNCIL MEETING

Via Conference Call/Virtual: 720-740-9696 Pin# 581 4891 Playback #: 720-740-9889 Pin# 581 4891 December 7, 2020 - 7PM MINUTES

- 1. Meeting called to Order at 7:03 PM by Mayor Clemons.
- 2. Members Present: Mayor Clemons, Councilperson Gregg Covington, Councilperson Berley James. Absent: Councilperson Bonnie Fogle.
- 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.
- Mayor Clemons reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the report. Councilperson Covington seconded it. All in favor so moved.

7. Department Reports

- a. Police Department: Chief Thorpe reported that there have been 3 service calls: a stolen vehicle, a stolen Coca-Cola sign from Gibson's Food Station and stolen catalytic converters from Gibson's Auto. Chief Thorpe reminded citizens to be mindful of the number of people that they had at gatherings because of the increase in number of COVID-19 cases. Mayor Clemons added the current number of new cases in Orangeburg County is about 2,000 a day.
- b. Water Department: Mayor Clemons reported that Mr. James LeRoy said that there are no issues now and that the Town is compliant with DHEC. Mayor Clemons shared that there had been a sewer line break but that it had been repaired the

same day. Mayor Clemons stated that due to a house fire on Thursday, December 3, 2020, several residents had been dealing with low water pressure and discolored water. Mayor Clemons encouraged citizens that were experiencing these issues to please contact Town Hall so that we would be able to keep track of it for our water survey in 2021. Mayor Clemons reported that the company doing the Winchester Avenue project would be flushing out the lines and running tests to make sure that the lines are DHEC complaint. Mayor Clemons shared that the road issues at Winchester and Hunter will soon be resolved. Chief Thorpe reminded citizens that it is illegal to tamper with water meters and that citations and fines will be issued.

- c. Parks & Recreation and Streets & Sanitation: Councilperson James stated that there was no report at this time.
- 8. Unfinished Business. Mayor Clemons stated that this was the second reading of Town Ordinance 2020-004: Town of Norway 2021 Stub Budget. Mayor Clemons reviewed the information in the ordinance. After discussion Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept Town Ordinance 2020-04. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor so moved.
- 9. New Business: Ordinance 1st reading Ordinance 2020-005: Loan Agreement: Mayor Clemons went over Ordinance 2020-005. Councilperson Covington stated that the physical address of the parcel number of the lot used for collateral should be listed in the Ordinance. Mayor Clemons verified that she would have the town attorney change this. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept Ordinance 2020-005 contingent on the changes discussed being made. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor so moved.
- 10. Mayor Clemons opened the floor for Public Comments. There were none.

11. Announcements:

- a. Chief Thorpe thanked Orangeburg and Lexington Counties for helping the Town of Norway with retrieval of the stolen property. Mayor Clemons echoed her thanks for their help in helping police the Town.
- b. Mayor Clemons reminded citizens that we still have some trees available for the Adopt a Palm program.
- c. Mayor Clemons thanked the citizens for welcoming her in her first year as mayor, and thanked them for their patience in dealing with all the challenges due to COVID-19. Mayor Clemons then wished the citizens a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Prosperous New Year.

12. Councilperson Covington made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson James seconded the motion; all in favor, so moved. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Date Accepted: January 4, 2021

Tracie M. Clemons, Mayor

Gregg Covington, Councilperson

Donna J. Lynch, Clerk

Bonnie Fogle, Council person

Berley James, Councilperson