



# 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**  
**May 3, 2021 - 7PM**  
**MINUTES**

1. Meeting called to Order at 7:02 PM by Mayor Clemons.
2. Members Present: Mayor Tracie Clemons, Councilperson Berley James, Councilperson Bonnie Fogle, Councilperson Gregg Covington. Absent: Councilperson Kelvin Crosby
3. Councilperson Berley James led the invocation.
4. Mayor Clemons asked that the Agenda be approved. Councilperson Fogle made the motion to accept the Agenda. Councilperson Covington 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. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to accept the financial report. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the financial report. Councilperson Covington seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. (See attached report.)
7. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to appoint Mr. Edgar D. Williams as the new Police Chief of Norway. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept Mr. Edgar D. Williams as the new Police Chief. Councilperson James seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. Mayor Clemons then performed the swearing in of Chief Williams.
8. 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. Mr. Tillman from Suez explained about the cleaning process and repairs for the water tanks.
- c. Parks & Recreation: Mayor Clemons reported that Public Works staff has been cleaning at the park and that the Town is looking in to getting more equipment. Mayor Clemons said that she would give more information on that at a later date.
- d. Streets and Sanitation: No report at this time

9. Unfinished Business:

- a. Mayor Clemons stated that this was the second reading of Town Ordinance 2021-002: An Ordinance to Transfer Authority to Orangeburg County Voter Registration and Election Commission to Conduct Town of Norway Municipal Elections: Ms. Aurora Smalls with Orangeburg County gave an overview of the purpose of the Ordinance. Mayor Clemons read the Ordinance and asked for a motion to accept it. Councilperson James made the motion to accept the Ordinance. Councilperson Fogle seconded it. All in favor, so moved.
- b. Re-opening Park: Mayor Clemons shared that the opening of the park so far had been going well. She stated the Town would continue to monitor for the next month. Mayor Clemons urged citizens to make sure that they are cleaning up their trash when they are in the park.

10. New Business:

- a. Municipal Annual Budget Public Hearing: Mayor Clemons went over the proposed budget.
- b. First Reading of Town of Norway Ordinance 2021-003 An Ordinance to Adopt the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget: Mayor Clemons did the first (1<sup>st</sup>) reading of the Ordinance, then asked for a motion to accept the first reading. Councilperson James made a motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 2021-003. Councilperson Covington seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved.
- c. Three Story Building Ownership: Mayor Clemons shared that the Town of Norway now owns the three-story building that sits on the corner of Highway 321 and Highway 332. Mayor Clemons stated that the building and property had been graciously donated to the Town by its former owner Mr. Dennis Rhoad.

11. Mayor Clemons opened the floor for Public Comments. There were none.




12. Announcements: Please see attached report.

13. Executive Session: Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilperson Covington made the motion. Councilperson James seconded it. All in favor, so moved. Council in Executive Session at 8:26 pm. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to return from Executive Session. Councilperson Covington made the motion to return from Executive Session. Councilperson Fogle seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. Return from Executive Session at 8:46 pm. In Executive Session Council discussed the sale of Town property. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion for the Town to be able to sell the property discussed to the individual that was interested in it, on the condition that they get a certified appraisal, and pay the closing costs and attorney fees. After discussion it was determined that plan A would be to offer the property to the individual as outlined above and plan B would be for the Town to acquire a certified appraisal and offer the property to someone else. Councilperson Covington made the motion to accept selling the property as discussed. Councilperson Fogle seconded the motion. All in favor, so moved. There was no motion made on the discussion on the personnel matter.

14. Mayor Clemons asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson James made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Covington seconded the motion; all in favor, so moved. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Date Accepted: June 7, 2021

  
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Tracie M. Clemons, Mayor

  
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Bonnie Fogle, Councilperson

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Gregg Covington, Councilperson

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Berley James, Councilperson

  
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Kelvin Crosby, Councilperson

  
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Donna J. Lynch, Clerk