

MEETING MINUTES
May 22, 2018
2:00 P.M. – MEETING – TED C. COLLINS LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER

MYRTLE BEACH CITY COUNCIL:
BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR
MICHAEL CHESTNUT, MAYOR PRO-TEM
MARY JEFFCOAT
PHILIP N. RENDER
GREGG SMITH

ABSENT:
MIKE LOWDER

CITY STAFF:
JOHN PEDERSEN, CITY MANAGER
JONATHAN "FOX" SIMONS, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
BRUCE BOULINEAU, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
MIKE SHELTON, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
TOM ELLENBURG, CITY ATTORNEY
JENNIFER STANFORD, ACTING CITY CLERK

 **Roll Call.**

Present: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.
Absent/Excused: Mike Lowder.

CALL TO ORDER..... Mayor Brenda Bethune
INVOCATION..... Councilman Smith
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE..... Councilman Smith
APPROVAL OF AGENDA.....

CONSENT:
MOVED TO REGULAR

Motion **M2018-89** to accept a \$15,000 donation from the "Friends of the Skate Parks Foundation, Inc." to be applied to the Matt Hughes Skate Park renovation project.

 **Motion: Approve, Moved by Philip N. Render, Seconded by Gregg Smith.**


 **Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).**

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MINUTES..... May 8, 2018

 **Motion:..... Action: Approve, Moved by Michael Chestnut, Seconded by Mary Jeffcoat.**

 **Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).**

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES..... April 17, 2018

 **Motion: To Approve, Moved by Philip N. Render, Seconded by Mary Jeffcoat.**

 **Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).**

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES..... May 8, 2018

Motion: To Approve. Moved by Philip N. Render. Seconded by Mary Jeffcoat.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.


Absent: Mike Lowder.

PUBLIC REQUESTS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, MEMORIALS:

1. Recognition of Zaria Brown, Myrtle Beach High School, recipient of the 2018 Shirley W. Boone Scholarship.

CONTINUED UNTIL JUNE 26TH MEETING


2. Recognition of PFC. Joe McGarry Police Officers of the Year 2017 (MB Rotary): Sergeant Shannon Castle and PFC. Kenny Harlow.

 Chief Prock introduced winners


3. Recognition of Support Staff Officer of the Year 2017 (MB Optimist): Cpl. Seabrook Phillips.

 Chief Prock introduced Cpl. Phillips

4. South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association Recognition.

 Mark Kruea introduces Kirk Gallian: Moral support and financial commitment, thanks Pam Stone and volunteers
Eric Goings won state award, always present for participants and kids, consistent with his relationships with the children, and goes above and beyond.


5. Proclamation declaring the week of May 13-19 as National Police Officers Week.

 Mark Kruea reads proclamation


 Chief Prock thanks council for the recognition for the Police Department staff.

6. Proclamation declaring the week of May 20- 26 as Public Works Week.


 Mark Kruea reads proclamation

 Janet Curry thanks council for recognition

7. Presentation of the 30th consecutive Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) to the City of Myrtle Beach for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.


 Ryan Lowler goes over requirements to achieve award

8. Proclamation congratulating the City of North Myrtle Beach on their 50th Anniversary.

 Mark Kruea reads proclamation

9. Public Information Update – PIO Staff/Police

 Mark reviews past, present and future news and events

 Chief Alvin Payne and Deputy Chief Gwyer and Assistant Chief Ian Maxwell Introduced Brian Mitchell is new beach front supervisor
Showed video of Beach Emily

 Cpl. David Pierce explained Law Enforcement United – police officer promotions, communication officer promotions, detention officer promotions, longevity coins, and DUI enforcement awards.

 Cpt. Joey Crosby states that an additional 427 officers from outside agencies will assist and there will be over 600 officers patrolling for Memorial Weekend.

CONSENT AGENDA

1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-35** to amend Chapter 2, in enacting Division 8, Technical Advisory Committee, to expand from 9 members to 11, with two member seats reserved for institutions of higher learning.

APPROVED 1ST READING

1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-37** to enact in Appendix A, Zoning, in Article 9, Landscaping and Tree Protection, Section 903.P exemption to provide for managerial administrative waiver of one or more requirements when in conflict with the underground placement of overhead wiring.

APPROVED 1ST READING

Motion **M2018-85** to accept \$575 in donations collected during the Walk with the Mayor and Council event on May 6, 2018 to benefit the American Heart Association. The American Heart Association will receive a check for these funds in June 2018.

APPROVED

Motion **M2018-86** to accept a donation from Willie Kemp in the amount of \$250 for the purpose of use for the International Student Outreach Program. The money will be used to provide information to the students through this program and help address the program needs throughout the 2018 season.

APPROVED


Motion **M2018-88** to approve a Special Event Permit to Amie Lee (Palmetto Event Productions) on behalf of Big Dog Events. The event is to take place on September 22, 2018 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm on the large lot of the Burroughs and Chapin Pavilion Place. Set-up is to take place between the dates of September 20-21, 2018. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

APPROVED

Motion **M2018-89** to accept a \$15,000 donation from the “Friends of the Skate Parks Foundation, Inc.” to be applied to the Matt Hughes Skate Park renovation project.

MOVED TO REGULAR AGENDA

 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Philip N. Render, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.


 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.


Absent: Mike Lowder.

REGULAR AGENDA

1ST Reading **Ordinance 2018-36** to amend franchise of the South Carolina Public Service Authority to adjust the undergrounding funds, and disburse accrued but unused funds in proportion to deposit.

 Mr. Pedersen reviewed


 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Michael Chestnut, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.


 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).


Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

1st Reading **Ordinance 2018-38** to levy taxes and establish a municipal budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019, and a capital improvements program for fiscal years 2019 – 2023.

 Michelle Shumpert discussed budget and financial issues


 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Mary Jeffcoat, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.

 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

2nd Reading **Ordinance 2018-27** An ordinance to amend the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Myrtle Beach by adopting the Cultural Resources Element.

 Carol Coleman went over objectives

 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Philip N. Render, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.


 **Vote:** **Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).**

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

Motion **M2018-84** to renew the City Attorney's contract for a one-year term beginning June 30, 2018.


 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Philip N. Render, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.

 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

Motion **M2018-87** to approve a Special Event Permit to Mike Shank/ Festival Promotions for the "Independence Day 8k / 5k race on the street in the Market Common area and at Valor Park on July 4, 2018, between the hours of 7:30am and 9am, take down will be completed by Noon. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

 Mayor recused herself

 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Gregg Smith, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.


 **Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 5, No = 0, Recuse = 1).

Yes: Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.


Recuse: Mayor Brenda Bethune.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

Motion **M2018-91** to direct the City Manager to engage McCartney Resources, LLC for purposes of performing an operational and management study associated with the Grand Strand Humane Society.

 Fox Simons explained

 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Gregg Smith, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.


 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

Motion **M2018-90** to declare certain vehicles abandoned or derelict pursuant to the authority of Article 41 of Title 56 South Carolina Code of Laws 2001. Memo dated May 22, 2018 shows 16 vehicles.


 **Motion:** To Approve, **Moved by** Philip N. Render, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.

 **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.


NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC


 Matthew Hardee spoke in regards to public parking for county residents; social media is getting really bad and upsetting statements being said about the city.


COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY BOARDS/COMMISSION MEMBERS


COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER


1. Council Communications


 Councilwoman Jeffcoat expresses for all city staff to stay safe and have fun this Memorial Weekend.

 Councilman Smith congratulates award winners, expresses thanks for donation to skate park, the Humane Society is looking to put their best foot forward, adds for everyone to have a great and safe weekend.

 Councilman Chestnut states for everyone to stay safe and obey the law

 Councilwoman Vereen declares that Mr. Goings is all about the kids and there couldn't have been a better choice.

 Councilman Render states that there has been progress on getting the VA clinic in the ITAP, requests a progress report from Professor Robyn Causey on the opioid case study. Lastly, received excellent news this morning on the WorkReady program, presently 62 students.

 Mayor Bethune states to not forget about the military appreciation events going on this weekend as well as all the other happenings taking place.

2. CFO Update

3. CM/ACM Update

 Bruce Boulineau gave update on Charlie's Place

REPORTS AND INFORMATION PRESENTATIONS FROM CITY STAFF

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session which are deemed to be "emergency" concerns.

ADJOURNMENT 4:17 PM

 **Motion: To Adjourn, Moved by Mary Jeffcoat, Seconded by Philip N. Render.**

 **Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 6).**

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

Absent: Mike Lowder.

ATTEST:

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

JENNIFER STANFORD, INTERIM CITY CLERK