

Council Meeting
November 14, 2016

Easley City Council met on November 14th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the court room of the LEC. All members. The press was notified. Lisa Chapman, City Clerk, served as the recording secretary.

Mayor Bagwell called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Councilman Mann gave the invocation, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as written.

Mayor Bagwell called on council for their reports.

Ward 1: Councilman Garrison - No report. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ward 2: Councilman Dykes – Was pleased with the results of the election on all levels. The challenge is to work together to do what is best for the citizens.

Ward 3: Councilman Mann –Wished all who serve a Happy Veterans Day. Seeing Officer Evans receive his purple heart at the Clemson game made him very proud to be from Easley.

Ward 4: Councilman Moore –Pray for rain. Thanked all the fire fighters, from all over, who have come to help with the wildfires.

Ward 5: Councilman Wright –No report. Commended the Fire Department on their open house. There was a great turn out.

Ward 6: Councilman Robinson –No report.

Mayor Bagwell called on City Administrator Stephen Steese for his report. Sunday alcohol sales passed. We are referring all calls to the SC Dept. of Revenue that will be handling all of the licensing. City offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving. The Christmas Parade is December 10th at 6:00 p.m. with the tree lightening immediately after.

Citizens wishing to address council: Vicki Ciplickas spoke about the Sunday sales. Thanked everyone that helped get this passed.

Mayor Bagwell called on David Lappin to introduce his new employee, Eric Greewood. He is the new stormwater director, a Clemson Graduate and a resident of Easley.

Captain Murray introduced David Carr, new police officer. He came from Greenville and is a Army Vet.

Representatives Hiott and Collins presented Little League International and Jon Humphry with a check for \$50,000 from the State for the Senior League Baseball World Series Tournament. Rep. Collins commended Jon on his great work as tournament director. This event brings in \$500,000 to \$1 million in economic impact for the city. They also thanked Gregg Powell and all the volunteers that make the tournament a success. Mr. Humphry said he was humbled to receive the check for the Senior League. The tournament will be July 30 – August 5, 2017 with the championship game being live on ESPN. They are trying to expand to six international teams. Everyone is looking forward to this new league.

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Mayor Bagwell recognized Officer Travis Evans for receiving his second purple heart and presented him with a key to the City. Captain Murray showed the video clip of him receiving the award at Clemson.

Captain Murray recognized the graduates of the inaugural class of the Citizens Police Academy. Within the nine weeks they had the opportunity to learn what the police do and learn. Some police departments think this type of activity is risky but we think the rewards outweigh the risk. We hope the next class will be larger. Mayor Bagwell thanked them and said he thought this was one of the best programs we have started.

Old Business: Ordinance 2016-13 an ordinance to amend the purchasing procedures of the City of Easley by amending section 24.15 within in the procurement policy of the City of Easley. Councilman Mann made the motion to approve with a second from Councilman Wright. Mr. Steese stated this lines us up with State and Federal guidelines to apply for grants. Councilman Dykes called for the question and the motion passed 7-0.

New Business: None

Resolutions: Resolution No. 2016- 27: to apply to South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund Authority for State Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund 2017. Councilman Robinson represents Easley Combined Utility so he abstained from voting on this resolution. Councilman Mann made the motion to approve with a second from Councilman Garrison. Mr. Steese explained we have the oversight on funds for Easley Combined Utility, we have to approve for them to apply for any funds. This resolution allows them to do that. Councilman Mann asked if Combined would have to come back to us to approve a specific project. Mr. Steese answered yes. Councilman Garrison called for the question and the motion passed 6-0 with Councilman Robinson abstaining.


Resolution No. 2016-28: To Award the Design-Build of the Downtown Extension of the Doodle Trail to King Asphalt and Alta Planning + Design for an amount to not exceed \$616,000. Councilman Dykes made the motion to bring to the floor for discussion with a second from Councilman Mann. Mr. Steese stated that two bids were received for the Doodle Ext. After reviewing the experience and the work that was done on the trail King Asphalt/Alta Planning were chosen. They will be contacted to see if the cost can be trimmed to approximately \$500,000. Councilman Garrison asked if there was a time frame for the project. Mr. Steese stated it would be set in the agreement, but hopefully by the end of May. There will be public hearings, road issues, etc that will have to be done first. Councilman Mann called for the question and the motion passed 7-0.

Councilman Garrison made the motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk