

Council Meeting
October 9, 2017

Easley City Council met on October 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the court room of the LEC. All members were present. Lisa Chapman, City Clerk, served as the recording secretary.

Mayor Bagwell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Rev David Bagwell with Neighborhood Church gave the invocation followed by the pledge.

Easley City Council met in executive session prior to the meeting and no action was taken.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved as written.

Report from Finance Director, Joni Smith – In the three months she has been here her time has been spent getting ready for the audit. The audit went very well. The general fund has a surplus of \$293,000. The auditors will give a presentation in November. The year will be closed out and the department heads can now run real numbers, actual vs budget.

Mayor Bagwell called on Mr. Steese for his report. Fall for the Arts went well. The fire department open house is this Thursday at 5:11 p.m. at station 2. Pickens County Municipal Association meeting is on the 23rd in Norris. The 2nd annual trunk or treat will be downtown in Old market Square from 5-8. The movie will be The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown at 7:30. Doodle Park is moving along on schedule. We are waiting on the playground equipment, exercise equipment, gazebo, etc. The train car in the back is being renovated for the restrooms. The electrical is finished and the plumbing is being done. We will be meeting with King Asphalt On Wednesday to identify any cracks or settlement that needs to be addressed before the winter.

Mayor Bagwell called on council for their reports.

Ward 1: No report

Ward 2: No report

Ward 3: No report, recognized Rev. Artis Buford and congratulated him on his new church.

Ward 4: No report

Ward 5: No report. Congratulated Lisa Chapman on the Fall for the Arts.

Ward 6: No report

Presentation: None

Citizens wishing to address council: Tonya Mayes Founder and Director of Predestined Teen Outreach. Our organization is currently operating at the Dream Center and they need more space. The work with middle and high school children. They teach the children to give back to the community. The 2nd Saturday of each month they serve the community in some way. They have 16 kids that participate currently. This program also helps the parents by teaching them how to parent teenagers. They get no funding except for a \$1000 from DJJ. Ms. Mayes gets no salary she is volunteers her time. Ms. Mayes is also a full time mentor at Gettys and EHS. The parents pay \$40 a month for this program and the kids eat at the Shine kitchen Tuesday-Thursday.

Councilman Mann asked her to leave her contact information. Mayor Bagwell advised her to come speak to council and let them know what she does and her dedication to the program.

Don Horanburg – Spoke on pickle ball. He would like for two of the tennis courts to be striped and look into filling the cracks. The cost would be approximately \$825 to make the surface more playable. Mayor Bagwell called on Gregg Powell for comment. He asked if it would hurt the tennis program. Mr. Powell said since the high school doesn't use the courts anymore it shouldn't be an issue. Councilman Garrison asked Mayor Bagwell to reach out to Gregg and Christman because this could be part of the Parks and Rec Master Plan. Mr. Steese stated we got a quote on resurfacing the courts as part of the master plan. Councilman Garrison stated he would like for us to be cost effective and compare filling cracks vs. resurfacing.

Old Business: Discussion on the Parks and Rec Master Plan. Councilman Mann made a motion to discuss with a second from Councilman Garrison. Mr. Steese stated the master plan was discussed at the last meeting before they had a hard copy. Is there anything they need to discuss, change, or schedule a time for a more detailed discussion? Mayor Bagwell said he would like to delay so he can read over the plan in more detail. Councilman Robinson suggested a work session. Councilman Garrison made a motion to table the discussion until a work session can be scheduled with a second from Councilman Mann. The motion passed 7-0.

There was no new business.

New Resolutions: Resolution No. 2017-11 to reappoint Judge Annetta Allen Mayes to a two year term. Councilman Mann made the motion to approve with a second from Councilman Wright. There was no discussion, Councilman Garrison called for the question and the motion passed 7-0.

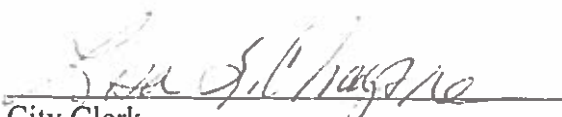
Resolution No. 2017-12 to recognize October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Councilman Dykes made the motion to approve with a second from Councilman Garrison who then called for the question and the motion passed 7-0.

Councilman Mann made the motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk