

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MANNING CITY COUNCIL**

Monday, June 19, 2006
6:30 p.m.

Breedin Assembly Room
City Hall

Members Present:

Mayor Johnson
Mayor Pro-tem Gordon
Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Evans
Councilmember Georgia
Councilmember Pack
Councilmember Witherspoon

- I. Welcome/Introductory Remarks:** Mayor Johnson welcomed all present and stated that the media was notified and acknowledged the following:

News Media: Mike Gellatly, Manning Times
Brian Jarvis, Manning Times

Others: Vickie Williams, Santee Lynches

- II. Invocation:** Councilmember Ervin Davis.

- III. Pledge:** Councilmember Sherry Evans.

- IV. Approval of Agenda:** A **motion** was made by Councilmember Evans and seconded by Councilmember Pack to approve the agenda. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

- V. Minutes:**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council, May 15, 2006. At this time Councilmember Pack stated that there is a correction to be made on Page 9 in reference to the motion made by Councilmember Evans to table First Reading of Ordinance No. 2006-2M, An Ordinance Zoning property located on Old Georgetown Road, owned by Donald Morris, Tax Map # 170-13-04-012-00, from Residential 10 (RS-10) to Planned Unit Development (PUD). Councilmember Pack stated that the vote was as follows:

For
Councilmember Evans
Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Pack

Against
Mayor Johnson
Mayor Pro-tem Gordon
Councilmember Georgia
Councilmember Witherspoon

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Davis and seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon to approve the minutes with the corrections noted. There was no further discussion. All favored the motion.

Minutes of a Joint Meeting with City/Town and County Councils, May 30, 2006. A **motion** was made by Councilmember Evans and seconded by Councilmember Pack to approve the minutes. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

VI. Citizens Comments: None.

VII. Committee Reports: None

VIII. Mayor's Report: Included in Council's packets as information.

IX. Public Presentation:

Vickie Williams, Santee Lynches. Mrs. Williams stated that the Santee-Lynches Home Program Consortium is a program that offers U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) homes, rehabilitation programs and activities to the citizens within the Clarendon, Lee and Kershaw counties administered through Santee-Lynches.

Mrs. Williams stated that the program has changed and now requires each political subdivision within a county to sign a Resolution agreeing to participate in the program rather than Clarendon County signing on behalf of all political subdivisions. The home funds are annual allocations received yearly and disbursed on a first-come, first-serve basis within each county.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Evans and seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon to approve the Resolution Re-Forming and Agreeing to Participate in the Santee-Lynches Home Program Consortium for the Period April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2008. All favored.

Next, Mrs. Williams spoke about the Neighborhood Revitalization Program under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) administered by Santee-Lynches. Mrs. Williams stated that she must visit the municipality eligible for the upcoming program and seek their input on whether they want to pursue a grant. Mrs. Williams stated the City of Manning is eligible for the grant coming up in the fall. Mrs.

Williams further stated that she has met with the housing committee members and they are recommending to Council to pursue Phase II of the area just completed in the Huggins, Breedin, Hampton and Boundary Streets area and, if Council desires, next month she will present detailed plans for the project for their review and signature. A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and seconded by Councilmember Evans to proceed with Phase II of the CDBG Program and to present detailed plans to Council next month. All favored.

X. Finance/Administrator's Report. The Administrator gave the following report:

A. Financial Report to Council. The Administrator gave the following finance report:

General Fund

Accts. Rec.	\$1,552,661.00
Restricted Funds	\$ 40,828.00

Utility Fund

Accts. Rec.	\$1,108,646.00
Restricted Fund	\$1,149,648.00

B. Administrator's Report. The Administrator gave the following report:

- 1. Narcotics Grant.** The city did not receive a grant this year. The Police Department was commended on this successful program.
- 2. Billboards.** Requests have been made to install a billboard. The recommendation from Mr. Pete Hipps, Planner, at Santee-Lynches RCOG is that the Zoning Text be amended to allow billboards as a Special Exception. Mr. Bjorkman stated that he would do further research and bring more information back before Council.
- 3. Surplus Equipment.** Surplus and obsolete equipment is currently stored in the attic in the Administration Building. Mr. Bjorkman recommends the obsolete equipment be disposed of at the land fill. Councilmember Evans asked that the Administrator check with local computer companies to see if they can use the obsolete equipment before disposing of them at the landfill.
- 4. Master Plan.** Met with the firm awarded the contract for the Master Plan for the Central Business District and will meet with the firm awarded the contract for the Market Analysis. Both firms to meet with the Administrator on June 22nd.
- 5. USDA/Grant/Loan.** \$35,000.00 in grant monies have been reserved pending updated construction figures.

6. **Budget.** It has been reviewed to ensure Council's requests have been met. One person in Public Works Department has been taken out to keep the budget down, but would like to re-consider and fund another person.

XI Old Business:

- A. Zoning Ordinance No. 2006-2M. (Second Reading) An Ordinance Zoning property located on Old Georgetown Road, owned by Donald Morris, Tax Map # 170-13-04-012-00, from Residential 10 (RS-10) to Planned Unit Development (PUD).**

A **motion** made by Councilmember Davis and seconded by Councilmember Evans died to table second reading of the Ordinance.

For	Against
Councilmember Davis	Councilmember Pack
Councilmember Evans	Councilmember Georgia
	Councilmember Witherspoon
	Mayor Pro-tem Gordon
	Mayor Johnson

Next, a **motion** was made by Councilmember Witherspoon and was seconded by Councilmember Pack to approve second and final reading of the Zoning Text Amendment.

Following much discussion, the vote was as follows:

For	Against
Councilmember Pack	Councilmember Davis
Councilmember Georgia	Councilmember Evans
Councilmember Witherspoon	
Mayor Pro-tem Gordon	
Mayor Johnson	

XII. New Business:

- A. Ordinance No. 2006-05 (First Reading) An Ordinance to annex a portion of South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) right-of-way of SC 261 (West Boyce Street) pursuant to Section 5-3-110, Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976 as amended).**

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon and was seconded by Councilmember Pack to approve first reading of the ordinance.

Mayor Johnson stated that the purpose of the motion is to get approval from SCDOT to annex the portion of highway that goes with the property.

All favored the motion.

B. Resolution of the Council of the City of Manning approving the application of Harleyville for membership in the Lake Marion Regional Water Agency.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon to approve the resolution. All favored.

C. Discussion of Council Appointments to Boards.

Mayor Johnson stated that members of the various boards with expiring terms are listed in the packets. Mayor Johnson stated that those members have agreed to serve if re-appointed to another term.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Davis and was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon to re-appoint the council appointments to another term.

Councilmember Evans asked for a clarification of when the terms expire for the Boards. Mayor Johnson stated that the dates listed is the present expiration terms and that clarification of the dates will be forthcoming from the Clerk. All favored the motion.

D. Discussion of Farmers Market.

Mayor Johnson stated that citizens were upset that the Farmers Market was closed. Mayor Johnson stated that Council did not vote to close the Farmers Market and that Mr. Bjorkman has advertised in the newspaper that the market is open.

XIII. Councilmembers' Comments

No comments.

XIV. Executive Session

- 1. Personnel Matter: Administrator's Contract**
- 2. Legal and Contractual Matter: Waste Management**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Davis and was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter in the Administration Department and a legal and contractual matter in the Public Works Department. All favored the motion.

Following executive session, the following action was taken:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Evans and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia not to extend the current contract between the City of Manning and the Administrator, to terminate the contract immediately and to authorize the Mayor to act on behalf of Council to appoint a city administrator. No discussion followed. All favored the motion.

In addition, Mayor Johnson stated that the Municipal Association of South Carolina is aware of the problems experienced in making hotel reservations on-line for the upcoming Municipal Association Annual Meeting and that they will be looking into a better process for next year.

XV. Adjournment

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Gordon and was seconded by Councilmember Evans to adjourn. All favored.

Time: 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daun Davis
Administrative Services Coordinator