

The Town of Winnsboro Council met in regular session on November 7, 2017, at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Following normal procedures, copies of the agenda were provided to Council and The Voice. Those in attendance were:

Mayor Pro-tem Clyde Sanders, District #3  
Councilman Danny Miller, District #1  
Councilwoman Janice Bartell-Prather, District #2  
Councilman John McMeekin, District #4  
Town Manager, Don Wood

Others

Chief John Seibles  
John Fantry, Utility Attorney  
William Medlin, Electric Director  
Lorraine Abell, ATM

Guests

Raymond & Yvette Howard  
Edith Evans  
Lawrence Flynn  
Rory Dowling  
Tommy Morgan  
Davis Anderson

**Call to Order**

Mayor Pro-tem Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Invocation**

Councilman John McMeekin offered the Invocation.

**Approval of Minutes**

Councilman McMeekin noting one correction on adjournment of meeting made a motion to accept the minutes with a second by Councilwoman Bartell-Prather that the minutes of the October 17, 2017, Town Council Meeting and Finance Meeting be approved as written with noted correction. All voted aye.

**Public Comments** Mr. Raymond Howard expressed concerns about the time and lack of communications concerning the properties in the areas of Cemetery and Davis Streets. Mr. Howard stated a problem with muskrats has developed and homeless people are living in unsecured dwellings. Mayor Pro-tem asked Mr. Howard to wait until after executive session because the item was being discussed in executive session for legal advice.

**Presentations – None**

**New Business –**

- a. First Reading of 2017 Series Ordinance #112117 State Revolving Loan Fund-Broad River Project – Mr. Lawrence Flynn, Bond Attorney explained the ordinance and the process of funding the project to the newly elected Council.

**Old Business**

None

## **Other Business**

Mayor Pro-tem Sanders stated he had received a letter requesting a donation for the Ward One Thanksgiving Meal for the community. Mayor Pro-tem made a motion to donate \$100.00 to assist with the meal. Councilwoman Bartell Prather also stated she would like to donate \$100.00 and seconded the motion. All voted aye.

After executive session, Councilman McMeekin made a motion to resume Other Business with a second by Councilman Miller. All voted aye. Councilman McMeekin made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Ward One Community Thanksgiving Dinner. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. All voted aye.

Ms. Abell requested guidance from Council on the ad for the Richard Winn's Annual. Council stated for the staff just to handle the ad.

Ms. Abell requested Council's desire on catering for the intergovernmental meeting on December 13, 2017. Council agreed on the Barn Express.

Councilman Miller made a motion requesting the use of the Armory for the Fairfield County Bus Drivers Associate Christmas Drive Project on December 16, 2017. It was seconded by Councilwoman Bartell Prather. All voted aye.

## **Executive Session – Pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70 (a) (2):**

**a. Legal/Contractual: Mt. Zion, 1<sup>st</sup> & Main Development-Rory Dowling**

**b. Legal/Contractual-Water: Cambridge Point Development/McGuinn Homes**

**c. Legal/Contractual-Utilities Refund: Atty. John Fantry**

**d. Legal/Contractual-Dilapidated Buildings: Atty: Creighton Coleman**

Attorney John Fantry requested items B.C. be discussed last. Attorney Fantry also requested that Mr. Tommy Morgan and Davis Anderson be invited to stay for the discussion of item A. Councilman McMeekin made the motion with a second by Councilman Miller to move the items and include the guests. All voted aye. Councilman McMeekin made a motion to enter into executive session seconded by Councilwoman Bartell-Prather. All vote aye. Councilman McMeekin made a motion to resume the general meeting. Councilman Miller seconded the motion and all voted aye. Mayor Pro-tem Sanders stated items a. b. and d were for information only and needed no action. On item C., Councilman McMeekin made a motion to comply with S. C. State Statute, which allows a three year allowance for refunds; and to refund \$278.75 to a utility customer. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Janice Bartell Prather. All voted aye.

Mayor Pro-tem Sanders and Councilman McMeekin addressed Mr. Raymond Howard's concerns. Council informed Mr. Howard unfortunately the process is a very slow process and the town has to follow the laws when dealing with the property owners on dilapidated buildings. However, Council is working on the issues at hand.

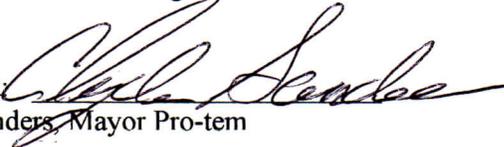
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## **Questions from Media – None**

**Adjournment** – With no further business to discuss, Councilman Miller made a motion with a second by Councilman McMeekin to adjourn. All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Lorraine Abell  
Assistant to Town Manager

Approved:   
Clyde Sanders, Mayor Pro-tem