

TOWN OF SEABROOK ISLAND

Town Council – Work Session

October 10, 2023

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MINUTES

Call to Order – Roll Call – Freedom of Information

Mayor Gregg called the October 10, 2023, Town Council Work Session to order at 1:00PM. Councilwoman Finke, Councilmen Goldstein and Kortvelesy, Town Administrator Joe Cronin, Zoning Administrator Tyler Newman, Communications & Events Manager Robin Ochoa (virtual), and Assistant Town Administrator Katharine Watkins participated in the meeting. The Assistant Town Administrator confirmed that notice of the meeting was posted, and the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act had been met.

Mayor John Gregg

- Report from Seabrook Island Property Owners Association (SIPOA) Long Range Planning Committee meeting of October 10

Mayor Gregg summarized the SIPOA Long Range Planning Committee meeting of October 10th.

- Reminder Community Promotions and Engagement Committee Meeting on October 19

Mayor Gregg noted the upcoming Community Promotions and Engagement Committee will be held on October 19th.

Discussions were had with members of council.

- Update, if any, for Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mayor Gregg updated the council on the Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan with regards to the Town of Seabrook Island requirements for the plan.

Town Council Members:

- **Jeri Finke**

None.

- **Barry Goldstein**

None.

- **Dan Kortvelesy**

Councilman Kortvelesy noted the upcoming Public Safety Committee meeting will be held on October 17th at 10:00am.

Town Administrator Joe Cronin

- Action Items for October 24, 2023, Meeting
 - Ordinances for Second Reading
 - Ord. 2023-08: An ordinance amending the zoning map of the Town of Seabrook Island so as to change the zoning designation for Charleston County Tax Map Number 149-06-00-016, containing approximately 0.27+/- acres at 2125 Royal Pine Dr, from the Moderate Single Family (R-SF2) District to the Conservation (CP) District

Town Administrator Cronin noted Ord. 2023-08 is up for second reading without a public hearing for the upcoming Town Council Regular Meeting in October.

- Ord. 2023-09: An ordinance amending the zoning map of the Town of Seabrook Island so as to change the zoning designation for Charleston County Tax Map Number 147-06-00-062, containing approximately 0.27+/- acres at 2156 Royal Pine Dr, from the Moderate Single Family (R-SF2) District to the Conservation (CP) District

Town Administrator Cronin noted Ord. 2023-09 is up for second reading without a public hearing for the upcoming Town Council Regular Meeting in October.

- Ordinances for Second Reading & Public Hearing
 - Ord. 2023-11: An ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of a not to exceed \$5,500,000 General Obligation Bond, Series 2023, or such other appropriate series designation, of the Town of Seabrook Island, South Carolina or one or more notes issued in anticipation thereof to pay the costs of repairs, replacements and debris removal arising from a major or catastrophic storm event of natural disaster and the cost of issuance of such bond or notes; fixing the form and details of the bond; authorizing the Mayor and Town Administrator, or either of them acting alone, to prescribe certain details relating to the bond; providing for the payment of the bond and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto

Town Administrator Cronin summarized Ord. 2023-11 and noted it is up for second reading with a public hearing at the upcoming Town Council Regular Meeting in October.

Discussions were had with members of council.

Councilman Kortvelesy noted the next meeting of the Disaster Recovery Council will be held on December 5th.

- Items for information / Discussion
 - Discussion of Draft Ordinances
 - Amendments to Chapter 8 of the Town Code (Business License Class Schedule)

Town Administrator Cronin summarized the proposed amendments to Chapter 8 of the Town Code (Business License Class Schedule) specifically to update the NACIS codes to comply with SC Act 176.

- Amendments to Chapter 18 of the Town Code (Nuisance Ordinance)

Town Administrator Cronin and Councilwoman Finke summarized proposed island wide nuisance ordinance.

- Amendments to Short-Term Rental Ordinance

Town Administrator Cronin and Councilwoman Finke summarized proposed amendments to the short-term rental ordinance.

Discussions were had with members of council.

- Upcoming Budget Workshops: October 13, October 20 and October 26 (1:00 pm)

Assistant Town Administrator Watkins reminded members of council of the upcoming Budget Workshops for FY2024 will be held on October 13, October 20, and October 26. Each will begin at 1:00PM.

- Updates on miscellaneous items

Town Administrator Cronin updated members of Council on the construction of Seafields, parking on the property next to the entrance of Bohicket Marina, and the crosswalk signals and radar sign along Seabrook Island Road.

Discussions were had with members of Council.

Assistant Town Administrator Katharine Watkins

- August 2023 Financials

Assistant Town Administrator Watkins summarized the August Financials as follows:

- Total fund balance ending on August 31, 2023, was \$9,319,021 an amount about \$1,765,099 more than the balance as August 31, 2022.
- Unrestricted revenue for August totaled \$172,335 representing about 92.3% for the 2023 annual budget and being about \$48,225 more than for the same period in 2022.
- Expenditures for August totaled \$117,989 which is 57.7% of the 2023 annual budget.
- Expenditures for the year were about \$33,381 more compared to the same period of 2022.
- Excess revenues over expenditures were \$54,346 for August compared to an excess revenues over expenditures of \$39,502 in the same period of 2022, representing an increase in revenue from this year compared to last.

Assistant Town Administrator Watkins noted the transfers discussed during the September 26 Town Council Regular Meeting are reflected in the August financial report.

Adjourn

Councilwoman Finke moved to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Kortvelesy seconded. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 2:24pm.

Date: October 10, 2023

Prepared by: *Katharine E. Watkins*
Asst. Town Administrator

Note: These minutes are not verbatim minutes. To listen to the meeting, please use the following link:
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