

Minutes  
City Council Meeting  
December 16, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

Members present were Mayor Dennis Raines, Council members Dale Black, Terry Merritt, Carol King, Taft Matney, and Scott Crosby. City Attorney John Duggan and City Administrator Brandon Madden were also present. Councilman Larry Goodson was not present.

1. Call to order- Mayor Raines

- a. Invocation- Councilwoman King
- b. Pledge of Allegiance- Councilwoman King
- c. Welcome- Mayor Raines

2. Proclamations and Presentations

- a. Mauldin Recreation Football 12U- The team won the Upper State Championship and will come to the January or February council meeting to be recognized. Councilman Matney said five years and one day ago, a Mauldin team went to the same venue with the same outcome.
- b. Pat Pomeroy was present from the Chamber. She reported that all of the Christmas activities went very well.

3. Reading and approval of minutes

- a. City Council Meeting –November 18, 2019  
Councilman Matney made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilwoman King seconding. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

4. Public Comment

Dana Greer: I live at 318 South Main. This is a little out of order because I am supposed to do this at the end, but I wanted to do this while there were more people here. If you have not gone to see the Christmas program at the Cultural Center, you need to. We went twice this weekend. I went Friday night and was so overwhelmed; it is fantastic. Mauldin should be really proud of what they presented. Mr. St. Clair is doing a fantastic job. I was impressed and am glad this is in Mauldin.

Robert Barnes: I am from Mattress Folks on Miller Road and now Furniture Folks in the New Neely Plaza. I came here many months ago and consistently complained on the difficulty of opening a small business here in Mauldin. I wanted to be man enough to come back and say this new business opening went very smoothly with David and his crew. David and his crew did a great job helping us and the opening went very smoothly. I appreciate the fire department and all the inspections. Hopefully things will



continue to go well with Mattress Folks and Furniture Folks. I wanted to take a minute to say thank you.

5. Report from City Administrator

a. Recognition of City staff

1. Members of Fire Department- Chief Stewart presented firefighter awards. John Centrone was voted Rookie of the Year, Bailey Transiskus was voted Firefighter of the Year, and Jacob Looney was given an Excellence in Training award.

2. Member of Recreation Department- Willie Stewart was elected Vice President of the SCAP Board arm of SCRPA, the South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association.

6. Reports from Standing Committees- The report is on file

a. Finance and Policy (Chairwoman King)

b. Public Safety (Chairman Crosby)

c. Public Works (Chairman Goodson)

d. Economic Planning and Development (Chairman Matney)

e. Building Codes (Chairman Black)

f. Recreation (Chairman Raines)

7. Unfinished Business

a. Rezoning at Centimeters Drive- (Building Codes)- Second reading- Chairman Black made a motion to rezone this property on second reading. It is approximately 7 acres and will be townhomes zoned RM. Councilwoman King seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).

b. Consideration and action on Quit claim deed for 112 Brockman Drive- (PW) Second reading- Councilman Crosby made a motion to accept this quit claim deed for 112A Brockman Dr. to release any interest that the City may have in this property. Councilman Black seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

8. New Business

a. Consideration and action on recycling and a budget amendment (PW) – Only requires one reading. The Sanitation Division of the City's Public Works Department manages the collection and disposal of garbage, recyclable materials and yard debris, city-wide. Once collected, the garbage and yard debris are transported to the Republic Services' Greenville Transfer Station located on Mauldin Rd. The collected recyclable materials are transported to the Recycling Division of Pratt Industries in Duncan, SC. On October 3, 2019, the City received correspondence from Pratt Industries (Pratt) informing the City of immediate changes to its rate structure for the collection and processing of recyclables. The amendment to their rate structure was in response to the conditions of the single stream recyclables



market. Per Pratt, under the current market conditions, it is cheaper to produce new materials than it is to recycle them. To address the short -term issue created by the added recyclable disposal cost from Pratt, Staff recommends continuing using Pratt through the end of the fiscal year to process its recyclables. Accordingly, a budget amendment in the amount of \$34,5173 would be warranted. This will allow staff an opportunity to research long-term solutions to this issue and present a recommended solution to Council for its consideration during the FY2021 budgetary process. Councilman Crosby made a motion to accept the staff recommendation. Councilman Black seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

- b. Consideration and action on request to Abandon Road S-1115 (EPD)- Requires two readings- This is the site of a proposed development project. The request is made to move forward with this road abandonment. Chairman Matney made a motion to accept this on first reading. Councilman Black seconded the motion. Councilman Merritt asked what the time frame for the project is. Mr. Madden said this is a court proceeding and should be finalized by the end of the fiscal year. The vote was unanimous (6-0).
- c. Consideration and action on Project Circle development agreement (EPD)- Only requires one reading. - Chairman Matney made a motion to accept this development agreement for Project Circle. The development agreement is with Centerpointe Development, LLC for design and construction of a pedestrian bridge with the financial impact not to exceed five million dollars. Councilman Merritt seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).
- d. Consideration and action on 13th Circuit AET (Alcohol Enforcement Teams) Memorandum of Agreement)- (Public Safety)- Only requires one reading.- Council is requested to consider and approve accepting a \$1,000 grant from the Phoenix Center and entering into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to support the implementation of 13th Circuit Alcohol Enforcement Team (AET) Operation and their objectives to reduce underage drinking. Councilman Crosby made a motion to accept this memorandum of agreement with Councilman Matney seconding. The vote was unanimous (6-0).
- e. Consideration and action on multijurisdictional drug unit funding (Public Safety)- Only requires one reading.- \$8,000.00 will be used to fund the Greenville County Multi-jurisdictional Drug Enforcement Unit with "buy money" which will aid in the successful completion of ongoing investigations into illegal activities associated with the drug, prostitution, and gambling trades within Mauldin and Greenville County. This funding will come from the Mauldin Police Department's Forfeiture line and will have no impact on the PD general operating budget for 2019-2020. Councilman Crosby made a motion to accept this expenditure with Councilman Black seconding. The vote was unanimous (6-0).



- f. Consideration and action on rezoning at 501 E. Butler Road (Building Codes) – Will require two readings. – Chairman Black made a motion to accept this rezoning on first reading. This is property near City Park and is 5 acres. It is currently zoned C1 and they are requesting RM for townhomes. There will be about 48 units with a price of \$185,000-200,000. Councilman Crosby seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (6-0).
- g. Consideration and action on Amendment to Sec. 8-62, Compliance with Laws (Building Codes)- Will require two readings. – Chairman Black made a motion to pass this amendment on first reading. This amendment will take out references to Greenville County Planning Commission. Mauldin now has our own planning commission. Councilwoman King seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).
- h. Consideration and action on City Administrator employment agreement (Committee of the Whole)- Councilman Merritt made a motion to consider this item informally with Councilwoman King seconding. The vote was unanimous (6-0).

Councilwoman King made a motion to extend the City Administrator’s contract for a year, ending December 31, 2020. Councilman Matney seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous (6-0).

9. Public Comment

- 10. Council requests- Councilman Merritt requested that an update on Muirwood Drive stormwater be brought to the PW Committee.

Councilman Matney said he has enjoyed working with the present Council including Councilman Goodson and Councilman Crosby. He thanked Mayor Raines for his leadership and said he looks forward to working with Mayor-Elect Merritt. Councilman Matney also thanked Mr. Crosby for his dedication. Mayor Raines wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

- 11. Adjournment- Mayor Raines adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Miller

Municipal Clerk