

A regular meeting of the Beaufort City Council was held on February 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Beaufort Municipal Complex, 1901 Boundary Street. In attendance were Council members Donnie Ann Beer, Gary Fordham, Mike Sutton, Mike McFee, and City Manager Scott Dadson. Mayor Billy Keyserling was absent.

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d) as amended, all local media were duly notified of the time, date, place, and agenda of this meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor Pro Tem, Donnie Beer, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Pastor Brian White of House of God. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Mayor.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular Council meeting on January 26, 2010 were presented to council for review. Councilman McFee pointed out that the correction to the minutes of the previous meeting was done incorrectly. The sentence *should* read: "Councilman McFee said he, rather than Councilman Sutton, as was stated, attended the Fort Sumter Preservation Trust meeting." On motion by Councilman Sutton, second by Councilman Fordham, council voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

UDO AMENDMENT REVISING SECTIONS 6.2, 7.1, AND 11.2 TO UPDATE THE STANDARDS FOR TOWNHOUSE DEVELOPMENT

Councilman Fordham moved and Councilman Sutton seconded approval of the amendment on second reading. Ms. Anderson said a new paragraph 6 entitled "Existing Developments" has been added. Townhouse developments that are more than 50% platted may continue to use the site plans and townhouse design of the existing development.

Councilman McFee asked about existing developments in the area that are already platted or designed. Ms. Anderson said there is one development platted around streets on Old Salem Road, and the infrastructure is in place. They have preliminary approval from the Design Review Board. It is likely to go forward as designed. Councilman Sutton asked how the measure is made for the 50% complete criteria. Ms. Anderson said the administrator would make the determination, as it is done now. **The motion passed unanimously.**

UDO AMENDMENT REVISING SECTION 5.4.B TO ADD REQUIREMENTS FOR FENCING AROUND SWIMMING POOLS

Councilman McFee moved and Councilman Fordham seconded approval of the amendment on second reading. Ms. Anderson said the ordinance revises the UDO to require fencing around swimming pools on residential lots. When the building code was amended, these requirements were in the appendices, which can't be adopted, so there's a gap in the safety standards for swimming pools. This will remedy the issue. **The motion passed unanimously.**

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF OPEN CONTAINER FROM THE GUILD OF BEAUFORT GALLERIES

Councilman Sutton moved and Councilman McFee seconded approval of the request. The open container waiver is for the Guild's Valentine's Day event February 14, 2010 and for Spring Art Walk events Saturday, March 20, 2010 and Saturday March 27, 2010. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Several members of council will be at next week's MASC meeting, so there will be no council work session on February 16, 2010.

REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman McFee said the second tricentennial meeting was the previous day and a lot of good work was done. The next meeting will be February 22, 2010 at the Old City Hall.

Councilwoman Beer reported that she'd met with the Mossy Oaks PTO in regard to neighborhood cleanups, and she found them to be receptive.

Councilman Sutton said he had attended Walter Dennis' funeral; he called Mr. Dennis a "neighborhood poet and an interesting character."

Councilman Fordham commended Councilwoman Beer for conducting "such a quick meeting."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before City Council, Councilman Fordham made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman McFee. The motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
SHIRLEY HUGHES, ACTING CITY CLERK