COUNCIL MEETING
117 E. BROADWAY STREET, COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY
DECEMBER 6, 2022 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hanna

The invocation was given by Mayor Hanna

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag

Council present: Mayor Hanna, Gary Arthurs, Frankie Poston, Dipen Khambhaita Jamie Altman, Doolittle Stone and April Collins

City personnel present: Ann Tanner, Holly Swann

Guest Present: Joan Lentz, Bobby Monroe, Mallory Feagin, and Tamala Owens

Motion was made by Council Member Stone and received a second by Council Member Collins to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member Altman and received a second by Council Member Poston to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2022 Council Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Bobby Monroe with DATA Max presented to council how is company could benefit the city by using his services to find companies coming into the City of Johnsonville doing business without a Business License, these are companies from out of state. DATA Max will not physically come into the city, they know the business’s that do business with example Circle K, who make deliveries. DATA Max will do all the collecting and sending letters to these businesses, once the city collects the revenue, DATA Max will get 50% of the revenue for two years. This will be a revolving cycle, if DATA Max finds 5 companies and they will receive 50% of the revenue for this find for 24 months, each time DATA Max finds companies and the City collects funds they will receive 50% of the funds. DATA Max is able to go back three years and collect the business license fees from these companies who did not have a business license, it will be left to the city if they want to go back that far. DATA Max finds the companies that you know are making deliveries in your town you just don’t know when and how to reach them. DATA Max does that for you. Some of the Cities around Johnsonville using DATA Max are Georgetown, Kingstree, Pamplico, Lake City, Marion, Mullins, Manning just a few.

Motion was made by Councilmember Stone and received a second by Councilmember Arthurs for Second Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing and ratifying the entry by the city of Johnsonville into a lease
agreement with Florence County with respect to real property comprising the Wellman Club Golf Course and other matters relating thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

Council agreed for City Administrator Ms. Swann to apply for a grant through the Historical Preservation to restore the Marker located at the Venters Landing. If approved by the agency there will be no cost to the city.

Motion was made by Councilmember Stone and received a second by Councilmember Collins for First Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing Administrator and Clerk to execute a deed from the City of Johnsonville to for the purpose of generating tax revenue to the city. (151 E Marion Street) Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Swann presented to council a Resolution to enter into contract with The Waste Management. Waste Management contract will end on December 31, 2022, and as of December 1, 2022 they have increase their disposal fee from $54.31 per ton $56.65 per ton, and also on the commercial garbage collection. We should not have to go up on rates for deposal but we will take a loss on commercial garbage collection until July 1. If we don’t go ahead and sign the contract it automatically renews for five years, I put in the contract that I want it for one year, there could be possibly finding someone else other than Waste Management, but right now it’s only WM we have no other choice.

Ms. Swann presented to council a Resolution authorizing the execution of certain contract between DATA Max and the City of Johnsonville for purpose of finding revenue from Business License Ordinance. Motion was made by Councilman Arthurs and received a second by Councilman Poston for DATA Max to search for Business License customers. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Councilmember Stone and received a second by Councilmember Poston for First Reading of an Ordinance to declare 160 Deer Drive, Johnsonville, and shown more specifically on the Florence County Tax map 00432, block 5 parcel 207 consisting of approximately 1.83 acres and the SCDOT right-of-way that is contiguous to the city limits annexed and apart of the City of Johnsonville SC within the unincorporated portion of Florence County and unzone. Motion carried unanimously Motion was made by Councilmember Arthurs and received a second by Councilmember Khamhailsa to nominate the Johnsonville Event Committee as the 2022 Christmas Star recipient. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: Fees are increasing from WM we will discuss during budget workshop, if you hear complaint PSN will be going up on prices for paying online, everything is going up.

MAYORS REPORT: Progression — keep moving forward.

GOLF COURSE COMMITTEE REPORT: Gary Arthurs—Golf Course not ready. Put off. Down to earth is now charging a reduced rate until June 1, 2023. Jimmy Powell has resigned from Down to Earth.

PARK COMMITTEE: Frankie Poston — All new equipment has been installed.
Motion was made by Council Member Poston and received a second by Council Member Stone to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourned: 8:00pm

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved by City Council on this ______ day of January 3, 2023.

Johnny Hanna, Mayor

Attest: Marlene Rollins, City Clerk