

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hanna

The invocation was given by Council Member Stone

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag

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

City Personnel present: Holly Swann, and Marlene Rollins

Guest Present: Mallory Feagin, Tamala Owens, Jackie Stasney, John Pollard, Barbara Black, Keith Callicutt, Kaye Callicutt, and Kenneth Ard

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

**Motion** was made by Council Member Khambhaita and received a second by Council Member Stone to approve the minutes from the September 5, 2023 Council meeting. **Motion carried unanimously** 

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Ms. Jackie Stasney, 245 Stone Ave., stated she had just a couple of questions and she knows that council doesn't have to answer in public forum. Is the golf course maintaining its expenses or if are we having to pull money out of the general fund to cover them and also if we have had any events at \$1,500 events scheduled at the Periwinkle?

Ms. Swann responded the golf course is pulling their own weight, we haven't pulled any money out of the general fund since they opened in June. And we have not had any events yet it, the Periwinkle is not ready yet.

Barbara Black, come before the forum with a proposition, the city had been sponsoring along with Lydia's Nest, and the Chambers for the last three years, the city didn't do it in 2022, We do the Thanksgiving Holiday turkey giveaway and in 2020 we gave out 426 turkeys ,2021 we gave out 502 and last year we gave out 306 and that is because we ran out of turkeys, we had more people than we had turkeys. So, I'm, asking and I know you can't answer right now but maybe this is something you guys can discuss later will the city be able to help sponsor the

Thanksgiving giveaway for the community again this year. In 2020-2021 it was the city, Lydia's Nest, the chambers and healthy blue of SC. This year so far, we have Lydia's nest, the chambers and Milano Health, we wanted to ask the city to help with this endeavor.

Mayor asked if Ms. Barbara had any idea about the radius of where these turkeys are being given to.

Barabara- it's a big radius, Johnsonville residents we did 175, some from Williamsburg County, Marion County, Pamplico, we do have some from lower Florence County but the most are from Johnsonville.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Arthurs and received a second by Council Member Khambhaita for Second Reading to Amend Section 18 nuisance ordinance of the City of Johnsonville's code of ordinances. **Motion carried unanimously** 

**Motion** was made by Council Member Khambhaita and received a second by Council Member Collins for Second Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Current Business License Ordinance to adopt the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule, as required by the Standardization Act, and to make other minor amendments as recommended by the Association. **Motion carried unanimously** 

## The Christmas Star Nomination

Council Member Poston nominated Dr. Danny Decamp stating he has been in this city a long time and has helped many people, his mother was the mayor at one time and his father was a doctor here, he would help parents with the children when they didn't have the money. When Doctor Decamp had to leave this town to go to Lake City due to Hospital changes, he was hurt and when he got the chance to come back with McLeod he came back, and I'm thankful for what his family has done for this town and think he would be a great nominee for this award.

Mayor Hanna asked for clarification are we nominating Danny or the Decamp family.

**Motion** was made by Council Member Poston and received a second by Council Member Arthurs to award the 2023 Christmas Star Award to the Decamp Family. **Motion carried unanimously** 

Ms. Swann reported (1) first I would like to introduce Mr. Bryan Bradeck, he is the field representative for Congressman Russell Frye, I thought he might do a little speaking tonight, Mr. Bradeck stated he would love to but he didn't sign up (2) in your packets, you will see I put the quarterly budget report for revenues verses expenditures, it's a summary, but what you want to look at in the first quarter you don't want to be over 25% in your expenditures and you want to be at 25% of your revenues, if you have any questions you can call me and I will look it up. I don't have the details in front of me. (3) we had a surplus sale it was pretty good we got about \$16,000 of our portion. The sale is over and we should be getting that check form GOV Deals. The funds will go into the general fund. Councilmember Stone asked if we had received payment on the Artisan building that was sold. Ms. Swann stated no, we are still waiting on it, but we still don't have any bills from our attorney yet either, Council member Arthurs asked if we had a signed contract, AMs Swann stated we do have a signed contract.

If we don't get it soon, we may have to rebid it back out.

Mayor Reported don't have a whole lot that hasn't already been covered, we are proud of the performance of the golf course, we have got some events coming up, I haven't heard anything derogatory of how the course is being run and hopefully it will continue to flourish.

**Committee Report** Council Member Arthurs reported around the first of September the count of green fees the number of people played at 7800 people that did not include August, and I can tell you from running that place for 22 years, that we never came close to that in the summer, so this gives us a lot of hope for fall, winter and especially spring. The golf curse is pulling its weight and doing more.

**Motion** was made by Council member Poston and received a second by Council Member Arthurs to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously** 

ADJOURNED: 6:47pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes approved by City Council on this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of November, 2023.

Johnny Hanna, Mayor

Attest:

Marlene Rollins, City Clerk