

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 13, 2018  
TED C. COLLINS LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

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**COUNCIL:**

**PRESENT:**

MAYOR BRENDA BETHUNE  
MAYOR PRO-TEM MIKE CHESTNUT  
MARY JEFFCOAT  
MIKE LOWDER  
GREGG SMITH  
JACKIE VEREEN

**ABSENT:**

PHILIP N. RENDER

**STAFF PRESENT:**

JOHN G. PEDERSEN, CITY MANAGER  
JONATHAN "FOX" SIMONS, JR., ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER  
BRUCE BOULINEAU, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER  
MICHAEL SHELTON, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
TOM ELLENBURG, CITY ATTORNEY  
JOAN GROVE, CITY CLERK

**ALL FOIA REQUIREMENTS WERE MET.**

**CALL TO ORDER**.....Mayor Brenda Bethune

 **Roll Call.**

**Present:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder,. Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

**INVOCATION**.....Councilman Smith

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**.....Jack Simons

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**.....

 Mr. Pedersen reviewed the agendas:

**CONSENT AGENDA:**


CONTINUE:

Motion M2018-19 Appointment to Board of Zoning Appeals  
Motion M2018-20 Appointment to Human Rights Commission  
Motion M2018-34 Appointments to Employee Recognition Committee

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

CONTINUE:

Motion M2018-15 Appointment to Myrtle Beach Air Base Redevelopment Authority


 **Motion:** Motion to approve the agendas as amended., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Chestnut, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

**APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MINUTES**.....January 23, 2018

 **Motion:** Motion to approve the workshop minutes of January 23, 2018 as presented.,


**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**.....January 23, 2018


 **Motion:** Motion to approve the minutes of January 23, 2018 as presented., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mary Jeffcoat, **Seconded by** Gregg Smith.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).



**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.


**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM PUBLIC**.....30 Minute Time Limit

 **Steve Chapman – Spoke to the TDF Benefits Supported (Served on Chamber Marketing Committee) Tourism business operator**

 **Amy Wingard, Grand Strand Humane Society – Volunteer, Ms. Roman’s resignation Critical of the Board. Only 6 of 10 Board members remain. Asked that this be examined by Council in an open meeting.**

 **Steve Eli**  **Ice Rink Wants to bring one to city.**

 **Rev Elizabeth Bowens, SC Mothers Against Violence - Helping grieving families since 2007. Submitting grant for A-tax funds**

**PUBLIC REQUESTS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, MEMORIALS:**

Public Information Update – PIO Staff/Police (mtg)

Chasity Pendergass reviews past, present and future events.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading **Ordinance 2018-3** An ordinance to extend the corporate limits of the City of Myrtle Beach by annexing 0.53 acres located at 9327 Cove Dr (Horry County Pin #394-06-01-0006), and rezone said property from Horry County SF 10 (Single Family Residential) to City of Myrtle Beach R15 (Single Family Residential).

 **ADOPTED**

Resolution **R2018-6** to accept the dedication to the public of the entirety of streets and roadways named Ethan Drive and Cole Drive in Plantation Heights subdivision in the City of Myrtle Beach, and direct the Manager to accept such dedication deeds, or execute such documents as are necessary to accomplish same.

 **CONTINUE**

Motion **M2018-19** to appoint one member to the Board of Zoning Appeals to replace Seth McCoy. This will begin a new term.

**We have resumes**

 CONTINUE

Motion **M2018-20** to appoint one member to the Human Rights Commission to replace Barbara McKelvey who has resigned. This term will expire February 22, 2020.

**We have one resume.**

 CONTINUE

Motion **M2018-21** to appoint/reappoint one member to the Beach Advisory Committee. The term of P.G. Winstead will expire February 22, 2018.

**Wishes to continue**

 REAPPOINT P.G. WINSTEAD

Motion **M2018-22** to appoint/reappoint one member to the Chapin Memorial Library Board. The term of Richard Patelunas will expire March 23, 2018.

**Wishes to continue**

 REAPPOINT RICHARD PATELUNAS

Motion **M2018-23** to approve a Special Event Permit to Mike Shank/Festival Promotions for the inaugural Grande Dunes St. Patrick's Day Festival & 5K Race, March 16, 2018 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The event includes a 5K race along Marina Parkway, while also allowing live music, inflatables, petting zoo, face painting, and alcohol sales on the Marina Parkway, Grande Dunes Lawn & Pavilion. 1000 plus attendees are expected for this event. The applicant is aware that he must pay for any services provided by the City of Myrtle Beach. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

 APPROVE (Mayor Bethune recused herself)

Motion **M2017-24** to approve a Special Event Permit to Thomas/Sons of Italy Lodge 2662 Italian Festival to be held at the Grand Park on June 30 – July 1, 2018 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. The event includes allowing the closure of one lane of Farrow Parkway during the event for vendor load-in & out. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-25** to approve a Special Event Permit to Thomas/Sons of Italy Lodge 2662 Italian Festival to be held at the Grand Park on October 6 – 7, 2018 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. The event includes allowing the closure of one lane of Farrow Parkway during the event for vendor load-in & out. The City Manager is authorized to make changes to these plans as he deems necessary in keeping with the nature of the event and as circumstances dictate.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-26** to accept Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant No. 2017UMWX0015 from the U.S. Department of Justice (the "DOJ") in the amount of \$1,250,000 over a period of three (3) years, for the hiring of ten (10) additional police officers in a cooperative program between the City and DOJ to enhance community policing. Total local

match for the three-year period totals \$770,079; of which the 2018 share of matching funds has been appropriated.

 Covers 75% costs for 10 officers 3 years

APPROVE

Motion **M2018-27** to accept a grant from the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism in the amount of \$7,117 on behalf of the City of Myrtle Beach Parks and Recreation Department to help defray the cost for the purchase and installation of new playground equipment for the Lyons Cove Playground. A local match of \$1,779 has been budgeted in the General Fund.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-28** to accept a donation from the Friends of the Chapin Memorial Library in the amount of \$6,200 for the Library's 2018 Summer Reading Program. No local match required.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-29** to accept Grant No. CP 18,823-5 from the SC Humanities in the amount of \$500 for Chapin Library's "Let's Talk About It" event entitled "And Still I rise, the Triumph of the African American Spirit." No local match required.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-30** to accept a grant from the United States Secret Service in the amount of \$3,850 on behalf of the Myrtle Beach Police Department to defray equipment costs associated with the department's joint efforts as part of the South Carolina Electronic Crimes Task Force.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-31** to accept a grant from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in the amount of \$3,000 on behalf of the Solid Waste Department to defray costs associated with the purchase of storage containers for scrap electronics.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-32** to accept a grant of \$4,050 from the Palmetto Pride organization for the purchase of 10 trash containers to be distributed in parking lots at 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North along Ocean Boulevard. There is no matching requirement associated with the receipt of this grant.

 APPROVE

Motion **M2018-33** to accept and appropriate \$1,946,876 of RIDE III funding for the resurfacing of 12.9 miles of City roadways. Resurfacing project costs shall be reimbursed by the County once the City completes each phase of the project and no matching funds are required.



 APPROVE


Motion **M2018-34** to appoint/reappoint three members to the Employee Recognition Committee. The terms of Janet Wood Curry and Dwayne Harris will expire February 22, 2018 and Dennis Springs who has resigned, term expiring February 22, 2019.

CONTINUE

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading **Ordinance 2018-2** An ordinance to amend Section 1306.G of Appendix A, Zoning to remove location-based restrictions on Mobile Diagnostic Units.


  **Motion:** MOTION TO ADOPT AS AMENDED WITH LANGUAGE CHANGE, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gregg Smith, **Seconded by** Jackie Vereen.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).


**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading **Ordinance 2018-4** An ordinance to amend the Arbor Glen Planned Unit Development Ordinance to include a new Exhibit 8 (Signage) and add details for the vegetated berm and fence required along PUD boundaries.

 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading **Ordinance 2018-5** An ordinance to authorize encroachments into future public rights-of-way of Arbor Glen PUD, specifically Celestial Way and Eclipse Drive with 68 sq ft of signage, and approximately 1,960 sq ft encroachment in the traffic circle of Celestial Way that includes a water feature, signage and sign structure to be maintained by the applicant.

 **Motion:** MOTION TO APPROVE COMPANION ORDINANCES 2018-4 AND 2018-5 AS PRESENTED, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

Motion **M2018-15** to appoint one member to the Myrtle Beach Air Base Redevelopment Authority to replace Gen. Robert H. Reed. This term will expire June 30, 2018.


**We have resumes.**


MOVED TO CONSENT AGENDA TO CONTINUE


Motion **M2018-35** to rescind Motion M2017-33 authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to take the necessary legal actions to acquire properties by the use of eminent domain as adopted by City Council on February 28, 2017.

Council had discussed moving this to the Consent Agenda at workshop but asked that it be kept on the regular agenda.

 Andrew Paulusson - appreciate Council's reconsideration

 Steven Sadler Asked this motion be passed. Feels DRC and past Council have created some missteps. Some businesses relocated to other parts of city didn't make it; some businesses targeted.

 John Pruett Thanked Council and happy to see eminent domain on the agenda being removed as well as the threat of it. Hope the buildings Council has purchased will not be destroyed.

 Lacy Paulussen Opened business in the super block. The area is special to her. Hope Council listens.

 **Motion:** Motion to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Michael Chestnut.


 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

Motion **M2018-36** to declare certain vehicles abandoned or derelict pursuant to the authority of Article 41 of Title 56 South Carolina Code of Laws 2001. Memo dated February 7, 2018 shows 9 vehicles.

No one appeared

 **Motion:** Motion to declare, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Lowder, **Seconded by** Mary Jeffcoat.

 **Vote:** Motion carried (**summary:** Yes = 6).

**Yes:** Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mary Jeffcoat, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Vereen.

**Absent:** Philip N. Render.

**ADJOURNMENT 3:20 pm**

ATTEST:

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

JOAN GROVE, CITY CLERK