

# **Belton City Council**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **April 4, 2023**

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All Council Members were present except Mayor Eleanor Dorn and Council Member Mark Spence.

**2. Invocation**

Council Member Brandy Vaughn opened the meeting with prayer.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson led the Pledge of Allegiance with everyone participating.

**4. Welcome Visitors and Guests**

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson welcomed all visitors and guests.

**5. Approval of Minutes – March 7, 2023**

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 7, 2023, regular meeting as read. Council Member Joshua Hawkins made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Council Member Tony Saville. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Ordinance #566 – To Enter Into An Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to SC Local Revenue Services; To Participate In One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Relating Thereto**

Read in its entirety by City Administrator Alan Sims. Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson made a motion to approve Ordinance #566 Intergovernmental Agreement to SC Local Revenue Services second and final reading, Council Member Brandy Vaughn made a motion to approve Ordinance #566, seconded by Council Member Ricky Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Ordinance #567 – Amending Section 18-5 of the Belton City Code to Limit the Age of Mobile Homes Within the City Limits of Belton, South Carolina**

Read in its entirety by City Administrator Alan Sims. Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson asked for a motion to approve Ordinance #567 Amending Section 18-5 of the Belton City Code to Limit the Age of Mobile Homes in the City Limits, second and final reading. Council Member Joshua Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance #567, seconded by Council Member Ricky Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. Presentation of Audit Report**

Andrew Coleman, partner with Greene Finney Cauley, CPA presented to Mayor and Council the annual report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Mr. Coleman noted a clean opinion and thanked the staff at the City for their assistance.

**9. Other Business**

Police Chief Ross Richey along with Belton Police Officers were recognized for receiving an award for Agency of the Year by the S.C. Department of Public Safety. This award is recognition for City officers dedicated work in the area of DUI arrest.


City Administrator Alan Sims discussed with the Mayor and Council the traffic concerns on Brown Avenue. Mr. Sims suggested ideas such as adding a three-way stop sign at Brown Avenue and Watkins Street to help with school traffic and safety.

City Administrator Alan Sims discussed with the Mayor and Council about short term rentals within the City such as bed and breakfast, air b and b, or even renting a bedroom in your house. Drafting an Ordinance to provide regulation was discussed.

**10. Adjournment**

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Stephenson made a motion with no further business to adjourn. Council Member Brandy Vaughn made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Council Member Tony Saville. All in favor to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

**Attest:**

  
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Josh Stephenson, Mayor Pro Tem

  
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Helen Willis, Deputy City Clerk

**Dates:**

Good Friday – April 7, 2023 – City Offices Closed