



MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting
Oath & Swearing in Ceremony

April 16, 2024, 6:30PM

LRAC-South Congaree Arena

395 Oak Street West Columbia, SC, 29172

Members in Attendance: Mayor Cindy Campbell, Mayor Pro-Tem Mechelle Mabry (Absent),

Councilmembers: Brian Jackson Kitty Spires, and Jim Drennan.

Also in Attendance: Municipal Clerk Kerri Charlton, and

Newly Elected Councilmembers: Debbie McIver and Dwayne Prosser.

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

I. Call to Order.

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at **6:30 PM**. A quorum was present.

Mayor Campbell led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Gene Henderson; Ebenezer P.H.

Church gave the Invocation. Mayor Campbell read the Freedom of Information Act.

II. Oath of Office & Swearing-In Ceremony Administered by Tim James

President, Greater Cayce West Columbia Chamber and Councilman, City of Cayce, administered the Oath of Office & Swearing-In Ceremony

Mayor Campbell recognizes Special Guests prior to the ceremony.

1. Lexington County Council Member M. Todd Cullum
2. Lexington County Council Member Debra B. "Debbie" Summers
3. Mayor Juston Ricard -Springdale
4. City of Cayce Councilmember Byron Thomas
5. City of Cayce Councilmember Tim James who also serves as the Greater West Columbia Chamber President and CEO.

Before entering into the Swearing in ceremony, The Mayor and Council recognized Mr. Jim Drennan for his service to the Town of South Congaree. Councilwoman Spires presented a Plaque of appreciation. Mr. Drennan thanked the citizens for their support and appreciated the opportunity.

Tim James, President of the Greater Cayce West Columbia Chamber and Councilman for the City of Cayce administered the Oath & Swearing in for Mayor Cindy Campbell. Mr. James expressed his admiration and respect for Mayor Campbell, not only as a friend but a leader,

trailblazer, visionary, and Mayor of South Congaree. Mayor Campbell builds relationships outside of South Congaree, she believes when the tides rise, so do the ships.

- Mr. James administered the Oath of Office for Mayor Cindy Campbell.
- Mr. James administered the Oath of Office for Councilwoman Debbie McIver.
- Mr. James administered the Oath of Office for Councilman Dwayne Prosser.

III. New Business

Adopting by Resolution the Civility Pledge

Councilwoman Spires made a motion to adopt the Resolution: Civility Pledge (6:51PM), Seconded by Councilwoman McIver. No Discussion.

Motion is carried by unanimous show of hands vote. 6:56PM

Mayor Pro-Tempore – 2024-2026

Councilman Prosser made a motion to appoint Councilwoman Spires as the Mayor Pro-Tem as of April 16, 2024, for a two-year term. No Discussion.

Motion is carried by unanimous show of hands vote. 6:57PM

Council and Work Session Meetings

Mayor Pro-Tem Spires made a Motion to move that council establish the second Tuesday of each month as the permanent workshop meeting to begin at 5:30 PM, a that the rndegular Council Meeting which is held on the third Tuesday of each month begin at 6:00 PM and that Ordinance 31.01 Section A be amended to reflect these new changes immediately after the vote. Discussion-Councilman Jackson suggested postponing the vote until the public could weigh-in on these changes. Roll call vote.

Motion carried at 6:59 PM

- Mayor Campbell- Yea
- Mayor Pro-Tem Spires- Yea
- Councilman Jackson- Nay
- Councilwoman McIver- Yea
- Councilman Prosser-Yea

Joint Municipal Water and Sewer Commission

Councilwoman McIver made a motion to appoint Mayor Cindy Campbell to replace Mr. Bobby Porter as the Joint Municipal Water & Sewer Commissioner for the Town of South Congaree, and that Councilman Dwayne Prosser replace Mayor Campbell as the alternate Commissioner effective April 16, 2024, and serve for a four-year term. Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires. No Discussion.

Motion carried by unanimous Show of hands vote at 7:01PM

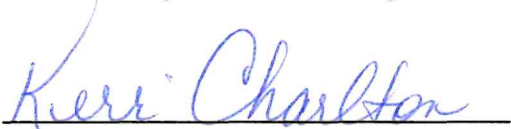
IV. Citizen Comments:

A statement has been issued by a citizen, Jerry Smith, reflecting on the recent decision regarding adjustments to the timing of meetings. Following a Council vote, it has been determined that Work Sessions will now commence at 5:30 PM on the second Tuesday, while Regular Council Meetings will begin at 6:00 PM on the third Tuesday. It is important to note that this modification provides an opportunity for all Citizens to contribute their perspectives. Should individuals wish to offer their feedback or insights, they are encouraged to do so within the coming month by contacting Town Hall directly.

Before adjourning: "Mayor Campbell cordially reminded citizens of the forthcoming Quarterly litter pick-up scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Town Hall.

V. Adjournment of Council Meeting:

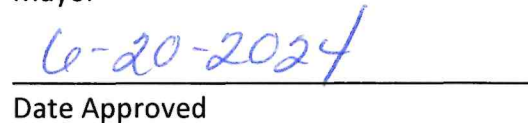
The council, on the motion of Councilman Jackson, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Spires, voted to adjourn the meeting at **7:03 PM**. Motion carried with unanimous vote of council.



Attested by:
Kerri Charlton,
Municipal Clerk



Approved by:
Cindy Campbell,
Mayor



Date Approved

Civility Pledge

I pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others, and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of my city or town.

For the complete Live Stream Video, Please see the following Facebook Link:
<https://www.facebook.com/TownOfSouthCongaree/videos/940583484208425>

The public was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the upcoming meeting.
The Town of South Congaree is a handicapped accessible facility.