

TOWN OF MEGGETT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: *January 23, 2017* **Time:** *7:00PM* **Location:** *SCPA Building 4770 Highway 165*

Call to order by:	<i>Mayor Herrington</i>
Type of Meeting:	<i>Public Hearing & Council Meeting</i>
Facilitator:	<i>Mayor Herrington</i>
Minutes:	<i>Stephanie Smith</i>

Roll Call:	<i>Mayor Herrington</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Angela Watts</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>A = Absent</i>	<i>Tommy Butler</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Andy Gowder</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>P = Present</i>	<i>Tom Hutto</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Stephanie Smith</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Keith McCarty</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Prayer given by: *Mr. David Smoak* **Pledge led by:** *Mayor Herrington*

Approval of Minutes from previous Council Meeting held on: November 28, 2017.

Motion made by: *Council Member Tom Hutto*

Seconded by: *Council Member Angela Watts*

In Favor:

- Mayor Buster Herrington*
- Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler*
- Council Member Tom Hutto*
- Council Member Keith McCarty*
- Council Member Angela Watts*

Opposed:

Conclusion: *Minutes approved.*

Christmas Festival and Christmas Tree Lighting:

Mayor Herrington gave a brief statement regarding the Town's Christmas Festival and Tree Lighting in December. He thanked all the volunteers and commented it was well attended. Council Member Angela Watts added, the children and presentation were a nice addition, as were the chairs and heaters.

Meggett Creek Bridge:

Mayor Herrington gave an updated about Meggett Creek Bridge: there is no status updated at this point.

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Pump Station:

Mayor Herrington stated Hurricane Matthew destroyed the housing for the pump station and bids for new housing were actively being collected. Once the bids are received, the new housing will be completed quickly.

Annexations:

Mayor Herrington explained the Town has a list of property owners who wish to be annexed into Meggett. The Mayor expects a few more requests to be made to the Town of Meggett before the list is complete. Council Member Tom Hutto and Attorney Andy Gowder reiterated that all properties in unincorporated Charleston County will have a relatively simple process to annex into Meggett. The de-annexation/annexation to and from Hollywood and Meggett will be a more labored process and will most likely require a vote by the residents of the two Town's before a de-annexation can take place. Attorney Andy Gowder will look into the exact steps Meggett will need to take to for a de-annexation/annexation process.

Council Member Reports:

Building and grounds given by: Mayor Buster Herrington

Mayor Herrington shared the two lots nears the neighboring church and behind the SCPA Building have been cleared. The Mayor also stated Mrs. Trudy Herrington and Mrs. Carla Tumbleston have worked very hard to clean out all the storage areas in the SCPA Building.

Financial report given by: Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler

Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler stated the Meggett 1925 account went up \$94.00. The Waste Water account was up \$402.00 and the Town's general account went down \$10,000.00. Property taxes were due on the SCPA Building. Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler asked Town Administrator if there was an update on the audit, she is checking on the status.

Grants and Special Reports given by: Council Member Tom Hutto

Council Member Tom Hutto stated Charleston Green Belt 1/2 cent tax could be a future Grant Option for the Town, it is the same type of funds that were used to purchase Roxbury Park. The PARD grant application was submitted for \$10,000.00, all for Meggett Park, recycling, trash and cameras.

Council Member Tom Hutto also brought into discussion a sign for Roxbury Park to ensure privacy for renters at the cottage, but access when the cottage is not rented. Mayor Herrington will look into a sign with appropriate wording.

Communications given by: Council Member Keith McCarty

Council Member Keith McCarty had no comments.

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Roxbury given by: Council Member Angela Watts

Council Member Angela Watts had no comments.

Public Comments:

Town resident Ken Schilling stated he loved the Christmas program and all the attendance and wondered why attendances at Town Council Meetings were so slim?

Mr. Watkins with the 145 American Legion, spoke briefly about upcoming events, projects and meeting locations for the Legion and asked for any input for permanent locations for meetings.

Town Resident Gale Smith stated she saw SCDOT out inspecting the Meggett Creek Bridge.

Meeting concluded at 7:39 pm.