

**TOWN OF MEGGETT
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Date: May 23, 2016 **Time:** 7:00PM **Location:** SCPA Building 4770 Highway 165

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

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

Public Hearing:

CONSIDER CREATING A NEW ZONING DISTRICT, RURAL CONSERVATION (RC), WHICH WILL BE APPLIED TO PROPERTIES THAT ARE ANNEXED INTO THE TOWN OF MEGGETT AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS

Mayor Herrington introduced Council and Town of Meggett and Charleston County Staff and opened the floor to any public comments regarding the Planning Commission's decision to approve the recommendation to Council to amend the ZLDR Annexation and new district, Rural Conservation, which will allow one (1) dwelling per ten (10) acres. There were no public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Prayer given by: Mayor Herrington

Pledge led by: Mayor Herrington

Motion made by: Council Member Keith McCarty moved to approve minutes.

Seconded by: Council Member Angela Watts seconded the motion.

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.

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Evening in Meggett:

Town Administrator, Stephanie Smith, updated Council and guest that the Town's Evening in Meggett Luau was a wonderful success and everyone seemed to enjoy the event which was relocated to the Town Hall Center due to weather conditions.

Ordinance 2009-01 Update:

Mayor Herrington gave the update; he explained this is an ordinance amending a previous ordinance, Ordinance 2005-10 which is for the Simmons Bluff plan development.

Attorney Gowder was asked to further explain:

This ordinance is to amend the PD Zoning; all materials have been submitted and the Planning Commission Board will most likely meet in June, prior to the Council Meeting.

St. Paul's #3 Polling Location:

Mayor Herrington explained St. Paul's #3 polling location for State and National elections have been moved to Lowcountry Leadership Charter School. A postcard was sent out to our residents alerting people of the change. If you did not receive one, please contact the Town Hall. This change has taken place to allow more space at the elections with a larger turnout. Mrs. Larkin, with Lowcountry Leadership Charter School, offered the school for these larger elections and the result will benefit the Town.

The Board of Elections only issue one voter registration card, please note, local Meggett elections will continue to be held in the Town Hall.

2nd Reading for Annexations:

Mayor Herrington explains this amendment of the ZLDR, creating a new zoning district, RURAL CONSERVATION(RC), which will be applied to the properties that are annexed into the Town of Meggett after the effective date of the amendment.

Mayor Herrington asked if there is any further discussion. Council Member Tom Hutto explains the need for this amendment was a result of property owners who did not live in Meggett, were "zone shopping" for the purpose to find a zone where they could increase from 1 dwelling per 10 acres, to 1 dwelling per 2 acres. In the past, past Councils were aware of this action and turned down annexation that seemed to a result of "zone shopping". By allowing this amendment, property can be annexed into Meggett with the same density regulations.

Attorney Gowder also pointed out the amended ZLDR was amended in the Planning Commission Meeting regarding Manufactured Homes.

Council Member Tom Hutto motioned for approval; Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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Interested Parties List:

Stephanie Smith, Town Administrator, explained the Interested Parties List is an e-mail list created to notify our residents of meetings, hearings and events, as well as, distribution of the Town's newsletter. This list allows the residents to be better informed and to help reduce postage and printing fees for the Town. Residents can sign up by calling or visiting the Town Hall office or on the website.

Council Member Reports:

Building and grounds given by: Mayor Buster Herrington

Mayor Herrington reported regarding the leaks on the SCPA building front porch, the Mayor has been meeting with contractors and expect the work to start soon.

The fence at Meggett Park, estimates are coming in, the general numbers are coming in at \$4,000 – 5,000, and this includes replacing the existing fence and adding more fencing to prevent anyone from accessing the park from the wrong area.

Chemicals for the pond have been ordered and a treatment will be done soon. Recently the fountain motor was cleaned out and received some much needed maintenance.

Also, all the bathrooms in the SCPA building received new piping due to a small leak in the ladies upstairs bathroom.

Financial report given by: Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler

Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Butler stated the Town's general account is down \$21,000, the Waste Water account is up \$2,000.00 and Meggett 1925 is up \$2400.00.

The Town traditionally does not make money in April, due to no income. The only out of the ordinary expense was on the rental property due to repairs.

Council Member Tom Hutto pointed out the total bank account totals are higher than they have been in past years and the Town is doing a great job.

Grants and Special Reports given by: Council Member Tom Hutto

Council Member Tom Hutto stated the Town has the picnic shelter plans revised, contractor on board and are getting ready for the Site Plan with Charleston County.

Communications given by: Council Member Keith McCarty

Council Member Keith McCarty commented that the he recently attended a meeting where overlays of Charleston County from 2006 and 2016, were view to study development, all areas including Hollywood, showed massive changes, but Meggett looked almost the same. Showing the plan to maintain Meggett is working.

Roxbury given by: Council Member Angela Watts

Council Member Angela Watts shared the exciting news that there are two Osprey nesting at Roxbury Park on the platform built by the boy scouts. The nest is near the cottage.

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Public Comments:

- *It was shared the Lins family is doing much better.*
- *Mayor Herrington welcomed the Santos Family and Ms. Penny Travis*
- *Gale Smith would like her address to read Meggett instead of Hollywood from state Board of Elections.*

Executive Session (7:30 – 7:45)

No action was taken in executive session, only advice from the Town Attorney.

Meeting concluded at 7:45 pm.