

APPROVED

Minutes

Regular Town Council Meeting

Rescheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2025 - 7:00 PM

McCormick One Stop Conference Room

109 West Augusta Street – McCormick, SC

10/4/25
JH
Mayor Smith

Welcome & Comments – Mayor Smith

Mayor Smith welcomed all those present to the rescheduled September meeting of Council.

COUNCIL BROUGHT THEIR AGENDA PACKAGE BOOKLETS WITH THEM FROM THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 TO THIS RESCHEDULED MEETING

Call to Order: Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:03 pm.

A) - **Quorum Confirmation** – Clerk/Treasurer Sandra McKinney stated that a quorum was present.

B) - **Pledge of Allegiance** - all present stood and gave the Pledge in a patriotic manner.

C) - **Invocation** – Mayor Smith gave the Invocation, asking for clarity of mine, peace, grace for those present, families and community, and conduct in accomplishing purposes of the meeting.

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Approval of Agenda as Presented: Calling for a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Council Member Mr. Jones made the motion, motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, with said motion being unanimously approved.

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Appearance of Citizens – No Written Requests by deadline – Wednesday, September 3; previous comments were given by Mrs. LaTonya Leverette on September 9 regarding the 2025 Breast Cancer Walk.

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Regular Town Council Business Items: August – Mayor Smith called for questions or comments regarding each regular business items, Council receiving copies for review prior to the meeting –

A) - **Minutes** – no questions or comments offered

B) - **Bills** – no questions or comments offered

C) - **Financial Statement** – no questions or comments offered

Subject to Auditor's Adjustments for FY 24/25

Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve all business items, said motion being offered by Council Member Mr. Dansby, duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

Legislation for consideration: - Council had received copies of the Legislative items

for review prior to the meeting, and Mayor Smith called for council action:

A) Ordinances – Two

(1) O-2025-09-09-01 –Second Reading/Adoption – Amendment to Business License Ordinance of 2021, adopting the 2026 NAISC Code Schedule

Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to give second reading/adoption, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

(2) O-2025-10-14-01 – Authorizing the Conduct of a Municipal Election for 2026 for Council Districts 1,3, and 5, and a CPW Commissioner, **Introduction/First Reading**

Council Member Mr. Dansby made a motion to give first reading, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.

B) Resolutions – One

(1)R-02025-09-09-01 – Resolution to Provide Local Match Funds for a Municipal Association of South Carolina Hometown Economic Development Grant to Assist in the Construction of the Farmers Market

Council Member Mr. Jones made a motion to allow Mayor Smith to sign said Resolution, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.

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Reports: Council had received copies of all reports prior to the meeting for review. Mayor Smith called for council action, questions or comments regarding each report.

A) – **Police** – no questions offered; Council Member Mr. Dansby commented on the new patrol unit stating it was a nice, looking unit, black with gold decals

B) – **Fire** – no questions or comments

C) – **Clerk/Treasurer & Deputy Clerk/Treasurer** – no questions or comments

Council Member Mr. Jones made a motion to approve all reports as presented, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.

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Old Business:

A) – None to consider

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New Business: moving to New Business, Mayor Smith called for council action regarding -

A) **Request to Pay** - FY 2025/26 Inter Agency Funding Allocations in September From the Town's Accommodations Tax Revenue – for Tourism Agencies & Agencies requesting funding – Listing Attached - **Action Item**

Council Member Mr. Chiles made a motion to pay the FY 25/26 Inter Agency funding as requested, said motion being duly seconded by Council Members Mr. Dansby and Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved.

B) Breast Cancer Request for Funding for Walk – October 11, 2025 – Action Item

Council Member Mr. Dansby made a motion to give a donation in the amount of \$500,00. Discussion entered with regard to the Town's donation to the last walk, with it being said that the **Town gave \$1,000 in FY 24/25**. Council Member Mr. Chiles stated that he felt the Town should give the same amount in that all donations were going to the Self Foundation and its research. Council Member Mr. Dansby amended his motion to give the \$1,000, said motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones and unanimously approved.

C) Review/Discussion - Opening of the FY 25/26 Business Incentive – Program –
Grant Period: October – April – Information

Council Member Mr. Chiles asked if the business community was aware of this program; Mayor Smith stated yes; the program will be advertised in the local paper; Discussion was also held as to the number of grants in the previous year; six with three approved; and the percentage of grant funds; 65/35%.

D) 2025 LOST Tax Credit Calculation Report for 2026 Tax Year- Information –

Mayor Smith noted that this item was for information only.

E) Creative Economic Development Consulting – Information for Steering Committee Meetings & Community/Business Input for September 22 (Council Attendance Encouraged)

Mayor Smith encouraged all council members to attend this session of the planning process for the Town of McCormick's Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Mayor's Report:

1-Breast Cancer Awareness Walk – October 11 – 8 am – reminder
Mayor Smith stated that this was a reminder.

2- Creative Design – Creation of McCormick Developmental Strategic Plan – Meeting
To be held September 22
Mayor Smith stated this had been previously discussed.

Before calling for adjournment, Mayor Smith called for other comments.

Council Member Mr. Dansby asked who was in charge of Gold Rush, stating he was glad to see that it was coming back, and also spoke to the darkness of the downtown area when he would be walking in the afternoons.

Discussion was held as to the aging of the antique street lights, not being able to get globes and other parts for the lights, and possible replacement through collaboration with the CPW. It was noted that CPW, when in the past, was made aware of lighting issues in dark areas, had either installed or replaced lighting with LEDs.

Adjournment – Council Member Mr. Dansby made the motion to adjourn, duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Jones, and unanimously approved.

Council adjourned at approximately 7:26 pm.
Respectfully submitted,

Sandra McKinney

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Clerk/Treasurer

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Mayor:	Roy Smith, Jr.
Council Members:	Dolly Franklin Nathan Jones Calvin Chiles Curt Dansby
Absent:	Alvin Jennings Faye Hood
Department Heads:	Police Chief W.D. Willis

Public Posting:

Town Kiosk, 117 W. Augusta St. (rear entrance)
McCormick One Stop Conference Room, 109 W. Augusta St. (rear entrance)

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- This is a meeting defined under S.C. Code Ann. Section 30.4-20(d) - ('Meeting' means the convening of a quorum of the constituent membership of a public body, whether corporal or by means of electronic equipment, to discuss or act upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power.' (Emphasis added)