

**APPROVED**

5/13/25



**Mayor Smith**

### **Minutes**

Regular Town Council Meeting  
**Tuesday, April 8, 2025 - 7:00 PM**  
McCormick One Stop Conference Room  
109 W. Augusta St., McCormick, SC  
Welcome – Mayor Smith

Sandra McKinney, Recipient of the United States Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award  
Mayor Smith stated that before he called the meeting to order he wanted to recognize Mrs. McKinney who had received the President's Lifetime Achievement Award for her many hours as the Town's Clerk/Treasurer. He stated that she has served in this position for some 37 years, has done an outstanding job, and contributed to the success of the Town.

Mrs. McKinney stated she is appreciative of and humbled by the recognition.

1. Call to Order: - Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:04 pm, and called for:

**Quorum Confirmation** – Town Clerk/Treasurer Mrs. McKinney, stating that with the Mayor as a voting member of the body, a quorum was present.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – all stood and offered the Pledge in a patriotic manner.

**Invocation** - Mayor Smith.

2. Approval of Agenda as Presented: - **Council Member Mr. Chiles made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.**

### ***Oath of Office for Police Officer Candidate***

*Shatoya Houston*

*Mayor Smith called forward Ms. Houston; the Oath being appropriated taken.*

*Mayor Smith thanked Ms. Houston for her interest, stating he felt she would be a good fit for the town.*

### ***Update on Town Streetscape Project***

*David McGhee, General Contractor*

*SITEC Construction Company*

*Mayor Smith called forward Mr. McGhee; Mr. McGhee reporting on the Streetscape Project stated that the project was very near the end; the progress on the project having been slow with the recent rains and other unknown items. He stated he hoped to have the concrete finished and the area in front of Town Hall and the Veterans' Park finished by the middle of June. He stated he believed things were in place for the Park, the statues, furnishings, etc., all except for maybe the medallions; he stated additions were bollards and lighting.*

*Council Member Mr. Dansby questioned when would the project be totally finished, with Mr.*

*McGhee stating the end of June.*

*Mayor Smith stated that he felt that once the Park was finished, with the parking lot having one more coating and lined, that the community would be proud of the finished project for many years to come.*

*Mayor Smith stated that Chief Willis was working to get costs for lighting and cameras for the parking lot, and called for Chief Willis to address council.*

*Chief Willis stated that he felt that since the public would be parking in the back behind the Fire Station, he felt for safety reasons that lighting and cameras needed to be installed, especially in that area and would be getting bids and estimates of costs.*

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3. Appearance of Citizens, Public Comments: No written requests received by deadline – Wednesday, April 2 – there were no written requests, Mayor Smith stated.

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4. Regular Town Council Business Items - for March: - Council had received copies of the regular town council business items prior to the meeting for review; Mayor Smith called for questions or comments receiving each item, and none given, called for a motion regarding the:

- A) Minutes
- B) Bills
- C) Financial Statement

**Council Member Mr. Dansby made the motion to approve the Minutes, Bills and Financial Statement, motion duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.**

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5. Legislation: - Council had received copies of the Legislative items for review prior to the meeting.

Mayor Smith called for a motion to give second reading/adoption to:

- A) Ordinances –
  - (1) Ordinance No. 2025-03-11-01 – Business License Update –

**Council Member Mr. Dansby made said motion, which was duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Chiles, and unanimously approved.**

Mayor Smith called for a motion to give first reading to:

- (2) Ordinance No., 2025-05-13-01 – FY 24/25 GFO Budget Amendment  
For Streetscape Project

**Council Member Mr. Chiles made said motion, which was duly seconded by Council Member Mr. Dansby, and unanimously approved.**

Moving to Resolutions, Mayor Smith stated that there was one:

**B) Resolutions –**

- (1) Resolution No. 2025-04-08-01 – Resolution to Correct Language – Fire Mutual Aid Agreement – McCormick/Troy

**Mayor Smith called for a motion to approve said Resolution; motion offered by Council Member Mr. Chiles, duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved.**

Mayor Smith stated that one Proclamation had been issued, that being or Comfort Corner, which was a medical assisting business located on South Mine.

**C) Proclamations**

- (1) Comfort Corner

**(Signatures were obtained for the Business License Update Ordinance and the Resolution)**

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**6. March Reports for presentation and approval as presented: (Council having received copies for review prior to the meeting).**

**A) Police**

**B) Fire –**

**C) Clerk/Treasurer & Deputy Clerk/Treasurer**

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Mayor Smith called for questions or comments regarding the reports; none were offered.

He then called for the Fire Chief to introduce three young men who were interested in volunteering with the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Barron introduced again, Demetris Odom, Elijah Booker, and LaVar Fambrough stating that these young men had stepped up and helped in the recent hurricane and other storms, and were meeting regularly with the Department and assisting with drills and calls.

Mayor Smith thanked them for their interest and stated that Council would be looking to adding them to the Fire Department's roster in the coming months.

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**7. Old Business:**

**A) Draft Copies of the FY 25/26 –**

**General Fund Operating Budget – Appendix A**

**Capital Projects Budget**

**No additional information was obtained to be included in the FY 25/26 General Fund Operating and Capital Projects Budgets.**

8. New Business:

**A) Close-out of Use of American Rescue Plan Funds for renovations/repairs to Town Owned Properties – Final Project/Expenditure Report: April, 2025; funds to be expended by December 2026 - Mayor Smith stated report was given as information.**

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**Mayor's Reports: - information given:**

- 1-Paving of Dorn Road – near completion 60% complete; residents had waited for some time for this road to be included for paving
- 2-Landclearing – Gilchrist Heights – Fuller (Habitat) Home – land being cleared for two additional homes which would bring the total to six
- 3-Women in History Event – March 27 – good speakers, food, and attendance
- 4-Bacot & Padgett BBQ – April 3 – good food, and community turnout
- 5-Mat Hardy Event for Pastors & Elected Officials – March 20 – first time event with hopes to offer again next year
- 6-Ribbon Cutting – Southern Soul Cafeteria – located in the Talmadge Building on South Main
- 7-Update on Fencing Repairs from Hurricane Helene – Gold Mine complete; North Main – tree removed, with fencing to be completed along with other areas that had fence damage from the Hurricane

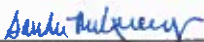
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**9. Adjournment** – Mayor called for other items to come to council before adjournment; none were offered.

**Calling for a motion to adjourn, Council Member Mr. Dansby made said motion, which was duly seconded by Council Member Mrs. Franklin, and unanimously approved.**

Council adjourned at approximately 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**Sandra McKinney**  
**Clerk/Treasurer**

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Attendance Schedule

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Mayor	Roy Smith, Jr.
Town Council Members	Dolly Franklin Calvin Chiles Curt Dansby
Absent:	Alvin Jennings Nathan Jones Faye Hood
Attorney	Douglas Bell
Department Heads	Police Chief W.D. (Bo) Willis Fire Chief Mike Barron
FOIA Notifications	Chuck Cook – County Council Member, District 3 & Mrs. Cook Scott Wharram, SLV Public Affairs Liaison
Others:	Shataya Houston & Family Candidates for Fire Department: Demetris Odom Elijah Booker LaVar Fambrough (& Family) Carole Sturkey, Resident East Augusta Street John Snider, Resident South Oak Street
Public Posting	Front Entrance – Town Hall 117 W. Augusta St. & Rear Entrance to the One Stop Conference Room

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- "In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, an agenda was posted on the rear entrance door to the McCormick One Stop, 109 W Augusta St and on the front door of Town Hall, 117 W Augusta St, posted on the Town's website, [townofmccormicksc.org](http://townofmccormicksc.org), and sent to the news media."

- 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)