

Minutes
Regular Town Council Meeting
******Tuesday, August 12, 2025 - 7:00 PM******
McCormick One Stop Conference Room
109 W Augusta Street, McCormick, SC

APPROVED

9/16/25

[Signature]

Mayor Smith

Welcome & Comments – Mayor Smith – 7:01 pm, welcomes all in attendance.

Call to Order – Mayor Smith called the regular meeting of the McCormick Town Council to order at approximately 7:01 pm.

Quorum Confirmation – Mayor Smith called for the Clerk/Treasurer to confirm that a quorum was present, she stating yes, a quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance – all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance in a patriotic manner.

Invocation – Mayor Smith gave the invocation being thankful for the day, asking for grace, mercy and blessings for those present, for family and community; seeking guidance in tongue, thought, and deed regarding the conduct of the meeting.

Approval of Agenda as Presented – Mayor Smith called for a motion from Council to approve the agenda as Presented. Council Member Jones offered said motion, it being duly seconded by Council Member Dansby, and unanimously approved.

Oath of Office
Part-time Police Officer
Samuel Sherrill

Mayor Smith called forward Officer Sherrill and proceeded with the Oath of Office for a part-time position in the Police Department. Officer Sherrill had family members attending to observe him taking his oath.

Appearance of Citizens – Mayor Smith announced no one had signed up to appear before Council, nor was anyone present requesting to give comment.

Regular Town Council Business Items – July

Council had received copies of the Business Items for review prior to the meeting, and Mayor Smith called for any questions or comments regarding the

A) **Minutes**

B) **Bills -**

C) **Financial Statement -**

Noting that Audit work has begun for the FY 24/25 Fiscal Year.

Receiving no questions or comments, Mayor Smith called for a motion. Council Member Dansby made the motion to approve the Minutes, Bills, and Financial Statement, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Jones, and unanimously approved.

Executive Session: Section 30-4-70 – Meetings which may be closed....

(a1)– Discussion of employment, appointment, promotion, demotion, compensation, discipline

(a2) – Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements; advice from Town Attorney regarding

Action May, or May Not, Be Taken

Mayor Smith announcing the need for an executive session, called for a motion to conduct the Executive Session. Council Member Dansby made said motion, duly seconded by Council Member Jones, and unanimously approved.

Executive Session: 7:10 pm to 7:30 pm.

Upon return to regular session, Mayor Smith stated that no action was needed with regard to discussions held in executive session.

Council Member Dansby then made a motion to return to regular session, motion duly seconded by Council Member Jones, and unanimously approved.

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Moving to Legislation –

Council had received copies of the Legislative items for review prior to the meeting, and Mayor Smith stated there was one ordinance to be considered; with **no Resolutions or Proclamations**.

Mayor Smith called for any questions regarding **Ordinance No. 2025-09-09-01**, Business License Amendment; no questions were given. Mayor Smith asked the Clerk/Treasurer to briefly explain the need for the Ordinance.

Mrs. McKinney stated back in 2020, Business Licenses became Standardized by Act 176 across the State, using the NAISC (North American Industrial Standards Classification) code, the Act calling for the NAISC Code schedule to be updated every two years. She stated this was in compliance with that Act with the Code to be effective for 2026.

Mayor Smith called for a motion from Council. Council Member Dansby made the motion for introduction/first reading of said Ordinance, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Jones, and unanimously approved.

Reports –

Council had received copies of the Reports for review prior to the meeting, and Mayor Smith called for questions or comments regarding each –

A) **Police** – no questions or comments

Mayor Smith asked Police Chief Willis regarding the new patrol unit; Chief Willis stated the unit was in – in the parking lot – and the last thing needed before putting it on the road were the decals. Question was asked regarding color, the new unit being black.

Chief Willis stated he could have ordered the burgundy-color, but would have had to order 10 units. He stated the black unit would have some burgundy color in the decals.

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

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

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

Old Business - Mayor Smith stated there was no old business to consider.

New Business –

A) **Consider Approval of Proposed Contract for Janitorial Services for Town Hall – GM Cleaning Services, LLC**

B) **Council Action regarding Approval for Mayor to Appoint a Steering Committee in Response to a SC Department of Commerce Grant for Creation of an Economic Development Strategic Plan utilizing the services of Creative Design EDC, Elkin, NC**

Mayor Smith stated the janitorial services for Town Hall were currently being done by the Maintenance Department and years ago was done by Polly Reese. He stated that GM Cleaning Services did this service for the One Stop building, and he would like for that company to clean Town Hall also. He called for any questions or comments regarding the request and receiving none, he called for a motion. Council had received a copy of the contract in their packages for review prior to the meeting.

Council Member Mr. Jones made the motion to accept the cleaning contract, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Dansby, and unanimously approved.

Mayor Smith stated, regarding the second item, the Department of Commerce had given the Town a grant for the development of a Strategic Plan for Economic Development, utilizing the firm Creative Design, with no cost to the Town. He stated there were various steps to be completed in developing the Plan, the first being the appointment of a Steering Committee, consisting of council, business leaders, the Chamber, economic development people and others. He called for any questions or comments from Council, and receiving none, called for a motion to allow him to appoint the Steering Committee.

Council Member Dansby made the motion for the mayor to appoint the Steering Committee, said motion being duly seconded by Council Member Jones, and unanimously approved.

Mayor's Report –

MASC Annual Meeting – Hilton Head – July 16-20; well attended; he, Council Members Chiles and Dansby attending from the Town; some topics – unlocking growth for the community; gun violence –

Meeting with JLA on Town-owned Properties/Improvements – continuing to work with JLA to begin these improvements.

Calling for other business, comments, or questions to come before Council –

Council Member Dansby stated he was looking forward to the completion of the Streetscape Project.

Adjournment – Calling for and receiving no additional business to come to Council, Mayor Smith called for adjournment. Council Member Mrs. Hood made the motion to adjourn, duly seconded by Council Member Dansby, and unanimously approved.

Council meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra McKinney
Town Clerk/Treasurer

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Attendance Schedule

Mayor	Roy Smith, Jr.
Council Members	Dolly Franklin Nathan Jones Curt Dansby Faye Hood
Absent	Calvin Chiles – Medical Alvin Jennings – Conflict/Work Schedule
Town Attorney	Douglas Bell
Department Heads	Police Chief W.D. Willis
Absent	Fire Chief Mike Barron
News Media	Journal Messenger Reporter John Stone
Others	Rett Harbeson, JLA Keith Smith, USCOG Samuel Sherill & Family Oath of Office – Police Department Mark and Whitney Koppein Chuck and Mrs. Cook Kenetta Robinson, Chamber India White – McCormick EMS

– “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 in the kiosk in front of Town Hall, 117 W Augusta St, posted on the Town’s website, 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)