



CITY OF SUMMERVILLE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING SEPTEMBER 25, 2014



CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Harvey called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Harry Harvey gave roll call. Mayor Pro Tem Lloyd "Buddy" Windle, Council Members David Ford, Dale Housch, and Zachary Martin were present. Also present was City Manager Russell Thompson. Council Member Joe Money, Jr. was absent.

CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Harry Harvey called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Mayor Harry Harvey gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member David Ford led the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA: Mayor Harvey asked if there are any changes to the agenda. No changes were requested. Council Member David Ford made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as prepared and presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Zachary Martin and carried unanimously.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Harvey stated that Tammy Decker of the USDA is here to provide information on the City's revenue bond application. Mayor Harvey stated that the media's attendance is always welcomed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Harvey stated that the fall festivals are right around the corner. Mayor Harvey stated that there will be train rides coming to Summerville beginning the first weekend in October through mid November. Mayor Harvey stated that brochures of the fall events have been printed and distributed throughout the area.

USDA REVENUE BOND – AUTOMATED GAS METERS: Mayor Harvey asked City Manager Thompson and USDA agent Tammy Decker to give details of the bond issue.

City Manager Thompson explained that the reason for the short notice and special called meeting is due to the time frame of the USDA's fiscal year end. City Manager Thompson stated that Ms. Decker will address Council.

Ms. Decker explained that she would read the USDA letter to the City of Summerville that establishes the conditions that must be met by the City before further consideration is given to the City's application for bond funds. MS Decker explained that the docket may be completed on the basis of a loan not to exceed \$805,715 and will be administered by USDA, Rural Development. Ms. Decker read the entire document which is attached and becomes part of these minutes.

Questions were presented by Council asking about the cost of engineering and legal services. City Manager Thompson responded that the engineers are utilized for the scope of project noting that if the amount budgeted for a given service comes in under budget the excess funds would be de-obligated. City Manager Thompson stated that a discussion was held in a previous meeting wherein Attorney Albert Palmour stated that he thinks that he can get the bond legal services done for \$13,000 rather than the \$23,000 listed.

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USDA REVENUE BOND – AUTOMATED GAS METERS: Ms. Decker reiterated that any portion of the funds not required to accomplish the project will be de-obligated. She explained further that the maximum loan is set to not exceed \$805,715; if only \$750,000 of the funds is used then the loan will be finalized based on \$750,000. City Manager Thompson also explained that the automated gas meters will have GPS locations placed on strategic connections for locating capabilities.

Mayor Harvey stated that if there are no further questions a motion is needed to authorize executing needed documents for the USDA bond for natural gas automated meters. Council Member Dale Housch stated that he so moves. The motion was seconded by Council Member David Ford and carried unanimously.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Council Member David Ford stated that the Fairway walking track is moving along very well. Mayor Harvey interjected that City Manager Thompson stated that it needs to rain on the tack one time to pack the surface well before the final surface is put in place.

Jason Espy of *The Summerville News* asked if the City already has maps of the existing gas system (RGIS not needed). City Manager Thompson responded that the current maps are in Autocad which will allow for a portion of the records to be converted but not all. City Manager Thompson stated that the goal is to have a system in place that has the ability to show locations accurately and quickly. City Manager Thompson stated that if the RGIS system is in place and one of the senior staff members happens to be out locations can still be done without a problem.

ADJOURN: All current business having been concluded, Council Member David Ford made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lloyd "Buddy" Windle and carried unanimously.

HARRY HARVEY – MAYOR

Attest:

JILL DURHAM – CITY CLERK, G.C.M.C.