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PUBLIC HEARING

May 8, 2023

Mayor Shull opened the first Public Hearing at 7:00 pm to receive citizen input on an **Ordinance to Annex Property Located at 143 Town Pond Road consisting of 2.00 acres, (Lexington County TMS#007100-06-056).** There was no public input. Mayor Shull closed the hearing at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Shull opened the second Public Hearing at 7:01 pm to receive citizen input on an **Ordinance to Annex Property Located along Town Pond Road consisting of 0.50 acres, (Lexington County TMS#007000-01-051).** There was no public input. Mayor Shull closed the hearing at 7:01 pm.

COUNCIL MEETING

May 8, 2023

A Council Meeting for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville, held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Shull at 7:01 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Member Brown, Gambrell, Cain, Lemon, Mitchell, Wise, Prouse, and Hall.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Council Member Jason Prouse.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Councilmember Gambrell.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Wise to remove Item B from the New Business section of the agenda. Council Member Cain expressed his support for Item B to remain on the agenda, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 5 Approved 4 Denied (Cain, Speech, Mitchell, Hall)

A Motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second from Council Member Wise to approve the amended agenda. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 3 Denied (Cain, Speech, Mitchell)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Lemon with a second by Council Member Hall to adopt the minutes from the April 10, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

A motion was made by Council Member Lemon with a second by Council Member Hall to adopt the minutes from the April 26, 2023 Council Work Session. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 2 Denied

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be June 12, 2023.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS – Council Member Hall

Council Member Hall reported that Central Midlands COG met on April 27th. Approved two items associated with the 2020-27 TIP (Transportation Improvement Plan) as well as approval of the PY 2024-25 Unified (Urban) and Rural Work Programs. Received updates from SCDOT on projects as well as the Regional Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan.

B. Second Reading for Ordinance to Annex Property Located along Town Pond Road consisting of 0.50 acres, (Lexington County TMS#007000-01-051).

A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Wise to approve the ordinance. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 1 Denied (Cain)

NEW BUSINESS

A. Vote to Excuse Absence from last month's meeting for Council Member Mitchell. Motion by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Lemon.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied 1 Abstain (Mitchell)

B. Proclamation – Commending the Government and People of the Republic of Moldova – removed during approval of agenda portion.

C. Resolution – Suspending Section 9-2-8 of the Town's Code of Ordinance for Summer Concert in College Park. A motion was made by Council Member Lemon with a second by Council Member Wise to approve the ordinance. During discussion it was noted that the event would have to remain 300' from the church. A question was asked about insurance, the alcohol vendor would be insured and licensed through the Department of Revenue. A vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 2 Denied (Cain, Mitchell)

D. Approval of Guidelines, Policies and Procedures relating to the Hospitality Tax Grant Program. A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Gambrell to approve the ordinance. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 2 Denied (Cain, Mitchell)

MANAGER'S REPORT – Ted Luckadoo

TOWN EVENTS

- The Batesburg-Leesville Kicking Off Summer” concert in College Park is on Saturday, June 3rd. Local Artist and High School student, Emma Rodgers will begin performing at 5:30pm and local artist, Cody Webb will begin at 7:00pm. There will be food truck vendors on site to sell food. This should be a great evening for the community and we encourage everyone to come out and enjoy the show.

PROJECT UPDATES

- With regards to the Infiltration and Inflow project, Contractors have been working on the Davis Pond site finalizing the last remaining CCTV work on the main collection line coming into the WWTP. We held an onsite meeting with the contractors and engineers to discuss the beaver dam issues and swamp area that our main trunk line runs through. This area is not assessable for equipment due to swampy conditions. We discussed forming a right-of-way path into the wooded swamp area and placing large mats down that will allow them to access the site. We also discussed likely waiting until summer to do this portion to allow for some hot sunny days without rain to help dry the area up.
- Since our last meeting, we received notification from the SC RIA that we have received the \$10 million grant from SCIIP funding. Joint Municipal also received \$10 million towards this project for their scope of work. With that our projected cost for connecting and coming to Town is \$17,938,600, which means we have \$7,938,600 we will roughly be responsible for. However, we are in the running for potentially \$4 million in additional funding for Emerging Contaminants we have applied for. If we receive that, we will have \$3.9 million towards the project. Myself and our engineers will be attending a mandatory workshop with SC RIA on May 31st at the Columbia Convention Center. This is for all awardees and their engineers.
- The contractor for the Liquid Chemical Feed project mobilized to the WWTP today to begin work on this project. Their first step will be to get the underground utilities located then locate the underground water lines.

TOWN FINANCIAL/BUDGET UPDATE

Monthly Account Balances for Fiscal Year 2022/2023

	Apr-23	Mar-23	Feb-23	Jan-23	Dec-22	Nov-22	Oct-22	Sep-22	Aug-22	Jul-22
General Fund Checking	\$ 1,603,698.39	\$ 1,354,847.17	\$ 1,563,169.48	\$ 1,076,295.79	\$ 906,304.20	\$ 1,072,932.64	\$ 1,237,960.97	\$ 1,474,661.60	\$ 2,054,627.16	\$ 2,385,182.86
General Fund Savings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Police Donations	\$ 11,237.50	\$ 13,775.39	\$ 14,217.50	\$ 14,167.50	\$ 17,992.41	\$ 22,650.68	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,232.29
Fire Department 1%	\$ 30,165.48	\$ 25,250.52	\$ 25,250.52	\$ 26,108.38	\$ 31,926.00	\$ 32,669.10	\$ 35,154.32	\$ 24,605.75	\$ 24,934.71	\$ 21,259.67
Municipal Court	\$ 43,480.41	\$ 44,830.99	\$ 42,075.85	\$ 40,577.36	\$ 37,314.74	\$ 38,235.99	\$ 38,616.08	\$ 45,546.85	\$ 55,852.11	\$ 41,418.46
Victims Assistance	\$ 11,084.44	\$ 10,173.95	\$ 9,201.70	\$ 8,813.95	\$ 8,189.42	\$ 7,886.52	\$ 7,499.80	\$ 6,659.04	\$ 5,751.91	\$ 5,321.70
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 1,699,666.22	\$ 1,448,878.02	\$ 1,653,915.05	\$ 1,165,962.98	\$ 1,002,026.77	\$ 1,174,374.93	\$ 1,338,853.66	\$ 1,571,095.73	\$ 2,160,788.38	\$ 2,472,414.98
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 254,855.18	\$ 204,750.07	\$ 169,659.92	\$ 227,088.00	\$ 362,932.59	\$ 385,406.30	\$ 396,457.33	\$ 385,171.49	\$ 361,937.66	\$ 350,045.05
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.18
Capital Improvement Project/Impact Fee	\$ 2,024,078.59	\$ 2,082,487.47	\$ 2,080,329.08	\$ 2,117,491.87	\$ 2,093,036.01	\$ 2,064,548.86	\$ 2,157,109.56	\$ 2,105,411.14	\$ 2,099,424.59	\$ 2,047,726.17
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 1,578,583.87	\$ 1,899,079.13	\$ 1,933,744.05	\$ 1,950,092.34	\$ 1,952,556.09	\$ 1,965,053.07	\$ 1,978,559.42	\$ 841,471.38	\$ 841,471.38	\$ 841,471.38
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 1,219,804.41	\$ 1,392,817.60	\$ 1,392,817.60	\$ 1,392,817.60
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,611,673.56	\$ 3,619,977.33	\$ 3,582,728.79	\$ 3,677,319.66	\$ 3,788,708.39	\$ 3,782,694.95	\$ 3,886,306.68	\$ 3,823,322.42	\$ 3,794,102.04	\$ 3,730,506.84
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 953,669.25	\$ 893,505.19	\$ 884,143.54	\$ 841,904.25	\$ 794,410.12	\$ 727,019.08	\$ 757,986.99	\$ 703,998.52	\$ 682,849.10	\$ 626,956.52
Total All Funds	\$ 6,265,009.03	\$ 5,962,360.54	\$ 6,120,787.38	\$ 5,685,186.89	\$ 5,585,145.28	\$ 5,684,088.96	\$ 5,983,147.33	\$ 6,098,416.67	\$ 6,637,739.52	\$ 6,829,878.34

Monthly Account Balances for April Since 2015

	Apr-23	Apr-22	Apr-21	Apr-20	Apr-19	Apr-18	Apr-17	Apr-16	Apr-15
General Fund Checking	\$ 1,603,698.39	\$ 1,673,814.68	\$ 1,489,505.27	\$ 1,179,382.79	\$ 1,115,270.45	\$ 1,469,545.15	\$ 1,351,538.36	\$ 1,322,998.78	\$ 1,536,314.08
General Fund Savings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 43,401.55	\$ 69,721.07
Police Donations	\$ 11,237.50	\$ 10,936.15	\$ 7,030.06	\$ 5,655.06	\$ 7,778.43	\$ 9,288.87	\$ 7,031.96	\$ 7,766.10	\$ 11,838.17
Fire Department 1%	\$ 30,165.48	\$ 22,535.49	\$ 21,606.94	\$ 14,847.21	\$ 14,789.74	\$ 10,735.15	\$ 10,300.55	\$ 13,739.79	\$ 11,791.73
Municipal Court	\$ 43,480.41	\$ 38,643.43	\$ 35,055.71	\$ 29,502.98	\$ 33,814.92	\$ 31,224.54	\$ 35,240.17	\$ 29,722.92	\$ 26,769.38
Victims Assistance	\$ 11,084.44	\$ 3,060.02	\$ 1,110.97	\$ 683.71	\$ 1,043.70	\$ 934.02	\$ 184.67	\$ 162.83	\$ 225.86
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 1,699,666.22	\$ 1,748,989.77	\$ 1,554,308.95	\$ 1,267,423.30	\$ 1,210,048.79	\$ 1,559,079.28	\$ 1,441,647.26	\$ 1,417,791.97	\$ 1,656,660.29
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 254,855.18	\$ 321,967.05	\$ 308,200.21	\$ 73,181.40	\$ 153,209.73	\$ 240,874.67	\$ 454,227.76	\$ 184,041.65	\$ 61,353.51
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,852.21	\$ 767,401.86	\$ 761,615.41	\$ 755,447.15	\$ 835,191.42	\$ 514,491.31	\$ 720,659.03
Capital Improvement Project/Impact Fee	\$ 2,024,078.59	\$ 1,899,148.99	\$ 1,620,479.25	\$ 1,539,307.06	\$ 1,270,658.30	\$ 679,915.82	\$ 41,603.72	\$ 17,262.92	\$ 9,472.72
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,824.80	\$ 564,493.88	\$ 560,237.68	\$ 555,700.00	\$ 231,081.00	\$ 231,080.00	\$ 231,080.00
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 1,578,583.87	\$ 1,166,463.88	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ -
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 1,663,084.74	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 249.35	\$ 2,840.36	\$ 1,872.91	\$ 3,111.37	\$ 1,686.37
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,611,673.56	\$ 3,553,855.83	\$ 3,261,361.47	\$ 2,944,389.20	\$ 2,745,973.47	\$ 2,234,780.00	\$ 1,563,977.81	\$ 949,988.25	\$ 1,024,251.63
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 953,669.25	\$ 575,876.73	\$ 515,768.61	\$ 664,113.07	\$ 135,916.81				
Total All Funds	\$ 6,265,009.03	\$ 5,878,722.33	\$ 5,331,439.03	\$ 4,875,925.57	\$ 4,091,939.07	\$ 3,793,859.28	\$ 3,005,625.07	\$ 2,367,780.22	\$ 2,680,911.92

General Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru April 2023	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 3,927,914.43	\$ 5,214,651.00	75%
Operating Expenses	\$ 4,502,840.17	\$ 5,214,651.00	86%

Utility Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru April 2023	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 2,824,071.40	\$ 3,321,100.00	85%
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,717,420.93	\$ 3,321,100.00	82%

Victim's Assistance Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru April 2023	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 8,666.12	\$ 7,500.00	116%
Operating Expenses	\$ 6,356.90	\$ 7,500.00	85%

Hospitality Tax Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru April 2023	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 617,903.53	\$ 625,000.00	99%
Operating Expenses	\$ 240,746.61	\$ 625,000.00	39%

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion from Council Member Gambrell with a second from Council Member Lemon to go into Executive Session at 7:41 pm.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

- A. **Receipt of Legal Advice and Discussion Relating to Contractual Matters with Waste Management**
- B. **Receipt of Legal of Advice in Discussion Concerning the Old Rescue Squad Building**
- C. **Receipt of Legal Advice and Discussion Relating to Contractual Matters with Ridge Spring**

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A motion from Council Member Gambrell with a second from Council Member Lemon to return from Executive Session at 8:14 pm.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

XII POSSIBLE ACTIONS BY COUNCIL IN FOLLOW UP TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Possible Action Relating to Contractual Matters with Waste Management

Motion made by Council Member Prouse and second by Council Member Hall to accept contract with Waste Management which was presented in executive session. Second by Council Member Gambrell.

Vote: 9 Approved 0 Denied

B. Possible Action Relating to Receipt of Legal Advice in Discussion Concerning the Old Rescue Squad Building.

Motion made by Council Member Prouse to direct the town attorney to begin the process to acquire, based on historical information, the old rescue squad building and the property therein. Second by Council Member Gambrell.

Vote: 6 Approved 3 Denied (Cain, Mitchell, Hall)

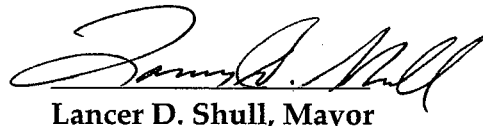
POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING – June 12, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Lemon to adjourn at 8:18 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

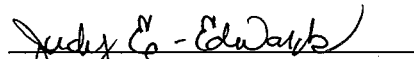
VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 12th day of June, 2023.



Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:


Judy Edwards, Town Clerk