

INMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 10, 2021
6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS GIVEN BY MR. VAUGHN WIMBERLAY, A VETERAN AND FRIEND OF COUNCILMEMBER HEATHER MOORE.

COUNCILMEMBER HEATHER MOORE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION STATEMENT WAS READ BY COUNCILMEMBER MOORE REGARDING NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING.

COUNCILMEMBERS MELVIN FOWLER, KEVIN NEWMAN, KATHY DITTEMORE AND MAYOR CORNELIUS HUFF WERE PRESENT.

MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 12, 2021 REGULAR MEETING, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

MR. ALLEN SMITH, PRESIDENT & CEO OF ONESPARTANBURG, INC. ADDRESSED COUNCIL REGARDING THE YEAR FOUR UPDATE ON THE COUNTY WIDE ONESPARTABURG VISION PLAN. ONESPARTANBURG, INC. IS A REIMAGINED ORGANIZATION THAT STREAMLINES THE BUSINESS, ECONOMIC AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OF THE FORMER SPARTANBURG AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, ECONOMIC FUTURES GROUP AND SPARTANBURG CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU. THEY LAUNCHED THE BRINGING BACK THE 'BURG BUSINESS RECOVERY TASK FORCE TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT OUR ECONOMIC RECOVERY IN WHICH MAYOR CORNELIUS HUFF IS ON THE BOARD OF ADVISORS. THE VISION PLAN INCLUDES EIGHT OBJECTIVES WHICH ARE: DEVELOP TALENT FROM CRADLE TO CAREER; MARKET TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN TALENT; GROW AND DIVERSIFY THE ECONOMY THROUGH STRENGTHS; CULTIVATE A DYNAMIC ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM; BUILD A VIBRANT DOWNTOWN; ENHANCE QUALITY OF PLACE THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY; CREATE CHAMPIONS FOR SPARTANBURG COUNTY; AND TELL THE SPARTANBURG STORY.

MAYOR HUFF STATED THAT INMAN HAS SEEN SUCCESS SINCE PARTNERING WITH ONESPARTANBURG, INC.

MISS INMAN TEEN 2021 - EMMA COOK INTRODUCED HERSELF AND STATED THAT SHE WILL BE COMPETING IN THE STATE PAGEANT THIS JUNE IN COLUMBIA AND HER PLATFORM IS "GO. GIVE. GRADUATE." THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERING.

MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-07, AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII- GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08, AN AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF

INMAN, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09, AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF INMAN CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 18, SECTION 18-7 DRINKING IN PUBLIC PLACES, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A MUNICIPAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTRIC SERVICE, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-10, AN AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF INMAN, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

UNDER PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MS. DENISE MEHL, OWNER OF THE UPCOMING NEW RESTAURANT "THE CREPE FACTORY" INTRODUCED HERSELF TO COUNCIL AND STATED THAT SHE WANTED TO SHOW HER SUPPORT FOR COUNCIL AND THANK THEM FOR THE SUPPORT THEY HAVE SHOWN HER. SHE HOPES TO OPEN BY MID-JUNE.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR JOE LANAHAN STATED THAT HE HAS PROVIDED COUNCIL WITH HIS MONTHLY REPORT AND WILL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL.

UNDER COUNCIL TIME:

MAYOR HUFF STATED THAT HE IS EXCITED ABOUT ALL THE GREAT THINGS GOING ON IN INMAN.

COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER STATED THAT HIS BIRTHDAY IS TOMORROW AND HE WILL 81 YEARS OLD.

COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN STATED THAT THEY ARE GETTING READY FOR MUSIC ON MILL AND THEY HAVE ALL THE BANDS AND INVITED EVERYONE TO COME OUT FOR A GOOD TIME.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE STATED THAT SHE IS GLAD THAT THE CREPE FACTORY IS COMING TO TOWN AND THE MOVIE NIGHT WAS GREAT AND SHE'S EXCITED ABOUT ALL THE THINGS THAT ARE COMING TO INMAN.

COUNCILMEMBER MOORE REMINDED EVERYONE THAT THIS SATURDAY AT 9AM IS CLEANUP ON ASHEVILLE HIGHWAY IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED AND A GREAT WAY TO VOLUNTEER; THE LAST COFFEE CONVERSATIONS HAD 29 PEOPLE SO THEY ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT ONE WHICH WILL BE A WALK ABOUT; THE MOVIE NIGHT WAS GREAT WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS THAT CAME AND THANKED THE INMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THEIR HELP AND SUPPORT.

AT 6:52 PM MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF NEGOTIATIONS INCIDENT TO PROPOSED CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS, SECOND TO

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

AT 7:19 PM MAYOR HUFF MADE A MOTION TO GO OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND BACK INTO THE REGULAR MEETING, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER MOORE STATED THAT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:20 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
ROBIN HENDERSON, CITY CLERK