

INMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022
6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY KEN DITTEMORE.

COUNCILMEMBER KEVIN NEWMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND CIVILITY PLEDGE WAS LED BY MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER ALLY MITCHELL.

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

COUNCILMEMBERS MELVIN FOWLER, HEATHER MOORE, AND KATHY DITTEMORE WERE PRESENT. MAYOR CORNELIUS HUFF WAS OUT OF TOWN AT A CONFERENCE.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MOORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2022 REGULAR MEETING, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

POLICE CHIEF KEITH TUCKER REPORTED THAT THEY RESPONDED TO 412 CALLS LAST MONTH.

FIRE CHIEF CHRIS COTHRAN REPORTED THAT THEY RESPONDED TO 32 CALLS LAST MONTH, THEY PARTICIPATED IN A FORENSIC CLASS AT CHAPMAN HIGH SCHOOL AND SANTA CLAUS WILL BE RIDING IN THE FIRETRUCK ON CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING.

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR HEATH FOWLER REPORTED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN BUSY PUTTING UP CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND GETTING UP LEAVES.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR LEE INMAN REPORTED THAT EVERYTHING IS GOOD AT THE PLANT, WORKING ON THE PLANT UPGRADE WITH CLERKS ROBIN AND MANDY GETTING PAPERWORK DONE FOR THE ENGINEERS, WORKING ON STORMWATER PROBLEMS WITH THE BIGGEST ONE ON LAWRENCE STREET THAT LOOKS A LOT BETTER NOW.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT APRIL GIBSON REPORTED THAT ON THE PLANNING SIDE THAT THINGS ARE A LITTLE SLOWER BUT WE HAVE THE INITIAL MAIN STREET AWARD THIS WEEK AND STARTING IN JANUARY WE HAVE THE FULL TWO AND A HALF DAY MAIN STREET ORIENTATION; STARTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OVERHAUL AND WORKING ON THE SCAVENGER HUNT GRANT.

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL ANNABELLE BLACKWOOD REPORTED THAT THEY PARTICIPATED IN THE CITYWIDE CLEANUP ON NOVEMBER 19, 2022, THE CHRISTMAS PARADE AND LIGHT UP INMAN AND LATER THIS WEEK THEY WILL BE COLLECTING SOCKS FOR THE SPARTANBURG HOMELESS SHELTER.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-20; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE TO THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MOORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-21; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS WITH SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE REGARDING TRANSFERRING PROPERTY, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MOORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR 10940 ASHEVILLE HIGHWAY, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MOORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

DISCUSSION OF LEAF PICKUP PROCEDURES WAS TABLED TILL NEXT MONTH DUE TO THE MAYOR BEING OUT OF TOWN.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR JOE LANAHAN REPORTED THAT AS FAR AS THE PAVING AND RESTRIPIING DOWNTOWN THAT THERE WERE SUB-CONTRACTORS WORKING FOR SCDOT CUTTING IN THE CONCRETE DOWNTOWN TO PUT IN NEW SENSORS FOR THE LIGHTS SO THAT SHOULD BE THE END OF THAT PROJECT AND WHEN SCDOT IS 100% COMPLETE WE WILL LOOK TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF DROP OFF/PICKUP IN FRONT OF REXALL AND DAVINE CANINE. LIGHT UP INMAN WAS THE MOST PREPARED EVENT THAT HE HAS EVER SEEN AND EVERY DEPARTMENT AND EVERY FULLTIME EMPLOYEE IN THIS CITY HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT AND IT WAS JUST AMAZING AND HE THANKED EVERYONE. FOR 2023 WE HAVE 19 CO-SPONSORED EVENTS AND THAT IS VERY HEALTHY FOR A TOWN OF 3000.

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

UNDER COUNCIL TIME:

COUNCILMEMBER FOWLER STATED THAT WE HAD A BODACIOUS LIGHT UP INMAN AND WE ALL SHOULD BE PROUD.

COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE ALSO SAID THAT LIGHT UP INMAN WAS GREAT AND SHE WISHED EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

COUNCILMEMBER MOORE STATED THAT A MEMORY CAME UP ON HER FACEBOOK PAGE WHEN SHE WAS ELECTED TO COUNCIL THREE YEARS AGO AND SHE IS SO PROUD OF WHERE THE CITY IS TODAY AND THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN OUR TOWN SEE IT AND SHE WISHED EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN THANKED EVERYONE FOR WHAT THEY DO FOR THESE EVENTS AND HE WISHED EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND FOR EVERYONE TO BE SAFE.

AT 6:26 PM COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE 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 MOORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

AT 6:51 PM COUNCILMEMBER MOORE MADE A MOTION TO GO OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND BACK INTO THE REGULAR MEETING, SECOND TO THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DITTEMORE, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL VOTING.

COUNCILMEMBER NEWMAN STATED THAT NO DECISIONS WERE MADE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS HE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:52 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
ROBIN HENDERSON, CITY CLERK