**MINUTES**

**TURBEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 11, 2023**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Mayor Kathryn Turbeville, Councilmembers Herbert Mims,

Albert Mobley, Doyl Gray, and Judy Coker

**Others Present:** Town Clerk Kaitlin Alexander, Town Administrator Bill Taylor, Public Works Director Ellis Evans, Clarendon County Sheriff Tim Baxley, Clarendon County Councilmember Pat Coker, Ginie Turbeville, Cheryl Wingard, Dr. Dorn Smith III, and Eric Coker

1. Mayor Turbeville called the town council meeting to order at 6:30 pm and declared that a quorum was present. **Councilmember Mims** offered the invocation.
2. Mayor Turbeville introduced for council’s consideration an amendment to the agenda for the April 11, 2023, regular council meeting. **Councilmember Gray** made a motion to approve the amendment of the agenda. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mobley** and passed by unanimous vote.
3. Mayor Turbeville introduced for council’s consideration the amended agenda for April 11, 2023, a regular council meeting. A motion was made by **Councilmember Mims** to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Coker** and passed by unanimous vote.
4. Mayor Turbeville introduced **Dr. Dorn Smith, III** for an update on the new Library in Turbeville. He proposed for the Town of Turbeville to accept a portion of his land on the town square and Clarendon County accept the other portion of his land . He stated that Clarendon County will manage the new library. The library will be approximately 7,000 square feet and will face Main Street. The library will be located at the rear in the center of town square. Dr. Smith stated he did not want the library to affect the Puddin Swamp Festival but instead, benefit it.

**Dr. Dorn Smith, III** stated there will be no expense for the Town of Turbeville or for Clarendon County for the development of the new library. He asked that the library to be named after his aunt, Dr. Kate Smith, and for the town square to be named after his grandparents. He also said an evaluation will be done of the one acre of land on the town square and presented to Clarendon County for tax purposes. **Councilmember Coker** asked who would do the evaluation. Dr. Smith stated he would have it done and would present it to the town and Clarendon County. **Councilmember Mims** asked what would happen to the history center as well as the monuments on town square. Dr. Smith stated the monuments will not be affected. Mayor Turbeville stated the history center is in rough shape and should be torn down at some time in the future. **Cheryl Wingard** stated there will be a room in the new library for some type of history room where local artifacts could be displayed.

**Councilmember Gray** said he recently visited the library in Olanta and asked if the town will have any input on the layout inside the new library. Dr. Smith stated the interior design would benefit the town. **Cheryl Wingard** said they are hoping the library will be used for as many things as possible and also mentioned removing the gazebo on town square.

1. Mayor Turbeville asked if anyone was present who wished to address the council. **Clarendon County Councilmember Pat Coker** stated the county is working on their budget. He also stated Rhunett Robinson and Valera Goff were recently appointed to the board for the new library.
2. Mayor Turbeville introduced for council’s consideration the minutes from the March 14, 2023, regular council meeting. A motion was made by **Councilmember Coker** to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mims** and passed by unanimous vote.
3. Mayor Turbeville introduced the first reading of **Ordinance No. 2023 – 0. An Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the Town of Turbeville to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To Participate in One or More Local Government Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.** Administrator Taylor stated the town is already participating with the Municipal Association with the Insurance tax disbursements, Brokers tax disbursements, and the accommodations tax disbursements. These programs are being rebranded to “local revenue services.” **Councilmember Gray** made a motion to approve the first reading. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mobley** and passed by unanimous vote.
4. Mayor Turbeville introduced the amendment to the Waste Management Contract that the town has with that company. Administrator Taylor stated the cost of business is going up and In July there will be a $2.00 increase on the trash carts the town has with Waste Management. He also said Clarendon County has agreed to pay the disposal fee. **Councilmember Gray** made a motion to accept this amendment. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mobley** and passed by unanimous vote.
5. Mayor Turbeville introduced for council’s consideration Sunday Carnival rides for the Puddin Swamp Festival. **Councilmember Mims** says rides should be from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm since most churches meet at 6:00 pm. He also stated if the weather is okay on that Friday then there should be no rides on Sunday. **Councilmember Mims** made a motion to let the Puddin Swamp Festival allow carnival rides on Sunday from 1-5pm if the weather is bad Friday. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Coker** and passed by unanimous vote.
6. There being no further business, **Councilmember Gray** made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mims** and passed by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at **6:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Kaitlin Alexander**

Town Clerk