

MINUTES OF JULY 22, 2019

Robert A. Pettit, Mayor

J. Robert Brooks, Councilmember Pat C. Carpenter, Councilmember Fletcher L. Dickert, Councilmember David W. McGhee, Councilmember Eric H. Presnell, Councilmember Kevin W. Toole, Councilmember

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The study session for the City Council of the City of North Augusta of July 22, 2019, having been duly publicized, was called to order by Mayor Pettit at 6:02 p.m. in Council Chambers on the third floor of the Municipal Building and adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Per Section 30-4-80(e) notice of the meeting by email was sent out to the current maintained "Agenda Mailout" list consisting of news media outlets and individuals or companies requesting notification. Notice of the meeting was also posted on the outside doors of the Municipal Center, the main bulletin board of the Municipal Center located on the first floor, and the City of North Augusta website.

Members present were Mayor Pettit and Councilmembers Brooks, Carpenter, Dickert, McGhee and Presnell. Councilmember Toole was absent; however, did participate in real time via a conference call.

Also in attendance were B. Todd Glover, City Administrator; Kelly F. Zier, City Attorney; John C. Thomas, Director of Public Safety; Lillian E. (Libby) Hodges, Director of Planning and Development; J. D. McCauley, Manager of Human Resources; and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk. Members of the public and media were also in attendance.

ITEM 1. PUBLIC SAFETY: Discussion of Alternate Siting of the Fire Station

Mayor Pettit began the discussion by reminding Council and citizens that no decision would be made and no action would be taken in study session. He also stated that Council is of the unanimous opinion that Public Safety Station 1 should be located in a centralized location or "on

the hill"; therefore, the study session would only include discussion of the Flythe property at the corner of Georgia Avenue and Observatory Avenue and the property at 311 W. Martintown Road. City Administrator, Todd Glover, was called upon to present again the properties that have formerly been considered. In that presentation, coverage areas, property specifics and property appraisals were shared. Council members voiced their opinions and concerns for both properties. There was consensus with Council that if 311 W. Martintown Road were to be purchased then the Flythe property must be sold. Council members also shared comments as to whether Public Safety Headquarters and Public Station 1 should be built together at the same location or built separately.

Citizen Comments were made by the following:

Perry Holcomb, 1891 Green Forest Drive, North Augusta, SC (No Speaker Form provided) Misty Gallagher, 1620 Georgia Avenue, North Augusta, SC (No Speaker Form provided)

There being no further discussion, no decisions made and no actions taken, the study session of the City Council adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 5th DAY OF

August, 2019.

Robert A. Pettit, Mayor

Respectfully submitted,

Haron Lamar

Sharon Lamar City Clerk