

**MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
WINNSBORO TOWN COUNCIL
JULY 18, 2023**

Present: Chairman Demetrius Chatman; Mayor John McMeekin; Jason Taylor, Town Manager; Assistant Town Managers Chris Clauson and Kathy Belton; Patti L. Davis, Town Clerk.

The Finance Committee met on July 18 16, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Winnsboro Women's Club. In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (e), as amended, the following persons and/or organizations have been notified of the time, date and location of this meeting: The Independent Voice of Blythewood and Fairfield, The Country Chronicle and four hundred ninety-two other individuals.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Chatman called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Mayor McMeekin, seconded by Chairman Chatman, to approve the agenda. ***The motion carried.***

3. PRESENTATIONS

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request of Action: Authorization to Purchase Forfeited Land Commission Property. Mr. Taylor stated the Forfeited Land Commission will be selling off properties, and it is a good idea for the Town to look at these properties prior to them being sold to see if there is any public benefit to owning any of them. There are a couple surrounding one of the Town's existing parks. This request is to have the option to bid on some of these properties. Chairman Chatman inquired concerning the South Garden Street property. Mr. Taylor stated this would be for the main purpose of cleanup. Mr. Clauson stated one individual is using the property illegally right now to store equipment. This could be acquired in order to secure the property and clean it up. Motion made by Mayor McMeekin, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chatman, to approve the Request of Action. ***The motion carried.***

B. Request of Action: Purchase of Unbudgeted Item – 2018 Chevy 1500 Truck from State Surplus for Sewer Department (\$26,500). As far as finding good vehicles, Mr. Taylor stated the departments are trying to go through State Surplus and are able to find them there at a very reasonable cost. There is no vehicle at all in the Sewer Department. Mr. Wright reported that he drives his personal vehicle to do rounds and Town business. Chairman Chatman stated he has noticed a lot of vehicles that are just sitting and not being used. He surmised that these should be sold to bring in some money toward the needs of the departments. It is also early in the year to be spending money on an unbudgeted item. Mr. Taylor asked Mrs. Belton if she has an inventory of the vehicles, and Mrs. Belton stated she does not. Mr. Taylor agrees 100% that vehicles either need to be in service or sold. Back to the request, this department has no vehicle at all, and Mr. Wright reported that the boom truck used at pump stations is now with the Maintenance Department since they took over the maintenance of the pump stations. Mr. Dean has the other truck, leaving the Sewer Department with no vehicle. The vehicle at State Surplus can be purchased for \$26,500. It has 75,000 miles and is a 2018. Originally, the purchase price was \$29,500. Mr. Taylor stated some of the unlicensed vehicles around Town could be towed and also sold to help clean up the Town. Motion made by Mayor McMeekin, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chatman, that the Request of Action be approved, and at the same time, the unused vehicles should be liquidated. ***The motion carried.***

5. OLD BUSINESS

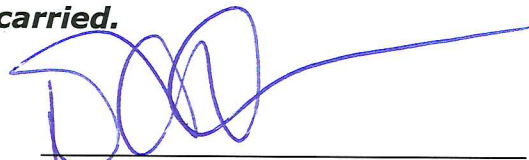
None.

6. ADJOURN

At 6:08 p.m., it was moved by Mayor McMeekin, seconded by Chairman Chatman, to adjourn. ***The motion carried.***



PATTI L. DAVIS
TOWN CLERK



DEMETRIUS CHATMAN
CHAIRMAN