



MINUTES
LANDRUM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, June 9, 2020

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, SECTION 30-4-80, THE TIME, DATE, AND LOCATION OF THE MEETING WAS POSTED ON THE CITY WEBSITE AND THE CITY FACEBOOK PAGE. THE PRESS WAS DULY NOTIFIED.

NOTE:

The regularly scheduled Work Session was cancelled.

- **In accordance with the State of South Carolina DHEC COVID-19 regulation proclamations, attendance in person at the City Council meeting will be restricted.**
- **All interested citizens were invited to watch the City Council meeting live streamed on the City of Landrum Facebook page.**
- **Public comments were accepted during the Public Comment segment by calling City Hall via telephone (864)457-3000. All comments would be directly aired to the Mayor and Council.**

Mayor Robert B. Briggs called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. in the Landrum City Hall Council Chambers.

Members Present: Mayor Robert B. Briggs, Council Members: Billy Inman, Johnny Carruth, Shannon Dotson, Joyce Whiteside, Tammy Cox

Members Absent: Daniel Prince

The Invocation was given by Council Member Johnny Carruth and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were accepted as written.

The Financial Statements

The financial statements were accepted as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed 2020-2021 City of Landrum General Fund & Hospitality Fund Budget.

1. Presentation of the budget by the City Administrator

The projected or proposed revenues for the 2020/2021 fiscal year are as follows:

General Fund: \$1,713,690

Hospitality Fund: \$497,690

The projected expenditures for the 2020/2021 fiscal year are as follows:

General Fund: \$1,711,230

Hospitality Tax: \$496,980 after transfers

A copy of the budget is attached to these minutes to show the total budget in its entirety.

The Council and Mayor discussed certain aspects of the budget. Council member Shannon Dotson made some comments that the City had a lot of areas that needed attention, such as purchasing water barricades for the roads that are subject to flooding during torrential down pouring rains, the cross walks in the down town area are beginning to look worn and faded and need to be improved, repaired and restored. He also suggested that the Council revisit the FY2020/2021 Budget in 6 months to address concerns of raises for employees, which were not implemented in this budget. The determining factor will be if the economy has recovered from the Covid-19 Pandemic and the revenues are coming in as expected.

2. A Presentation/ Discussion of proposed Farmers Market Pavilion Bond Issue with Financial advisor First Tryon.

Discussion material was provided to the Mayor and Council in their Council Packets, it outlined the upcoming projects of the Farmers Market and the Railcar Museum and the proposed funding sources. The projected cost for the Farmers Market Pavilion is \$1,300,000 the funding sources are as follows:

General Fund Reserves: \$250,000
Hospitality Tax Fund Reserves: \$50,000
Grants: \$0
Hospitality Tax Revenue Bond: \$1,000,000

3. A Presentation by the Landrum Area Business Association outlining their proposed request for Hospitality Tax funds for the upcoming events in the FY 2020/2021. LABA President Angel Forrester made the presentation to the Mayor and Council for the request of funds totaling \$20,900. These funds will be used towards the following events: Taste of Landrum, Hogback Mountain Day, Halloween Stroll, Christmas Parade/Stroll, and the St. Paddy's Day.

At this time the regular meeting was closed to open the PUBLIC HEARING for the first reading of the FY 2020/2021 Budget.

The FY 20/21 Budget Ordinance #2020-02 was announced and presented to the public for comment.

At this time, it was announced live on Facebook that the floor was open for public comment. The telephone number of 864.457.3000 was posted and announced as the number to call. The public comment opportunity was for 3 minutes. There were no phone calls received in that 3 minutes, therefore, there were no public comments at the Public Hearing.

At this time the PUBLIC HEARING was closed, and the Regular Council Meeting resumed.

The Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget Ordinance #2020-02 was introduced by Mayor Robert Briggs. Council Member Billy Inman makes a motion to approve the 1st reading of FY 20/21 Budget Ordinance #2020-02, Council Member Joyce Whiteside 2nd the motion, all voted and approved the first reading of FY20/21 Budget Ordinance #2020-02.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment may be made by calling telephone number 864-457-3000.

There was none.

Reports

City Administrator- City Administrator notified the Council that on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 there will be a Planning Commission and a Public Hearing pertaining to the proposed new construction of Town Homes located on 8 acres on Dodd Street. He also announced that there was a pending petition for annexation for a property owner agreeing to be annexed into the City. The first reading of that Ordinance will be the following Tuesday, June 16, 2020 during the 2nd reading of the budget Council Meeting. He also announced that the depot and park

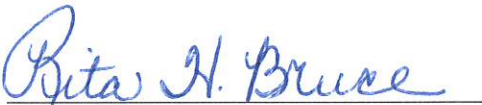
are now open for use. The depot will only be rented once a day, there will be no more than one event at the depot scheduled. There was a discussion as to whether the public restrooms should be open to the public as well. The council decided to let the depot bathrooms only be available to the renters and not be open during the Music @ the Tracks. The public restrooms located in the Collective building will remain closed as well.

Police Department. Chief Kris Ahler presented the report. He updated the Mayor and Council on the ongoing precautions the department is taking due to the Covid-19 pandemic. He also informed the council of the ongoing training with the new rifles and the School Resource Officers. He also discussed the plans to put a blessing box at Brookwood Park. Officer Chris Godfrey introduced the idea to the Chief and will be constructing the box that will be used to hold donations from the community for those in need. The Council discussed possible locations within the park and decided to have it erected near the Veteran's gazebo. A copy may be requested any time by calling the City Clerk's Office at 864-457-3000.

Fire Department. Chief Warren Ashmore presented the report. The Fire Department responded to a total of 46 calls during the month of May. A copy may be requested any time by calling the Landrum Fire and Rescue at 864-457-3101 or by calling the City Clerk's Office.

Landrum Library. The report was given by the Mayor Robert Briggs. He announced that the Library is open, but are limiting the use of computers, meeting rooms and seating. Patrons are encouraged to come in an check out books, but not to linger inside the building.

Regular meeting adjourns at 8:11pm



Attest: Rita H. Bruce
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approval Date: July 14, 2020



**City of Landrum Police Department
June 2020 Report to City Council**

Honorable Mayor and Council,

Covid-19

Hotspot: despite the Accelerate South Carolina initiative intentions, the Upstate houses one virus hotspot. Our geographic location to Spartanburg and Greenville and our tourism enterprise places citizens at increased risk as numbers are climbing in our region. The CDC guidelines encourage the wearing of masks and social distancing while in public. These precautions are more important now than ever.

PPE: Our personal protective equipment (P.P.E.) for first responders has been supplemented by various sources to include citizen donations, the national stockpile, and purchases made by the city. We have an adequate supply for the foreseeable future.

Work Status: All of our officers are working normal duty status. S.R.O.s are either in training or being utilized to supplement patrol functions

Exposures: to date we have had no known exposure incidents and experienced no mandated quarantine sessions.

Equipment

Rifles update: our officers completed either an initial training, a qualification, or both. We are pleased to report all officers were able to qualify and have been issued a rifle and duty ammunition. The S.R.O.'s completed a physical proficiency and qualification with the Micro Conversion Kit (MCK). Additional sights were tested to improve applicable distance and will be our next purchase to maximize the potential of the system.

Narcans: officers received new NARCAN kits from DHEC to respond to overdoses within the community.

Training

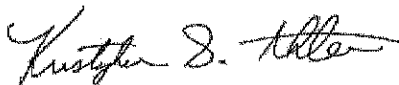
SRO Online: The SCCJA has exported the SRO training to facilitate our new SRO's training. We have one officer participating in the 80 hour training program.

Online: MASC and RCTA are offering a broader spectrum of classes which officers are taking within their tour of duty.

Personnel

- Officer Stamey completed 25 years of law enforcement service. Officer Stamey will continue on with the Landrum Police Department as a part time officer. He was awarded an engraved service weapon and a gift certificate to a fine restaurant to celebrate his service.
- Officer Craft and I spoke today and he looks to be with us in September. God speed his safe return to us. We are grateful for his service to our nation and our community.

God bless and keep all of you and your loved ones,



Kristopher S. Ahler, MBA
Chief of Police
Landrum Police Department



**Spartanburg
Communications /9-1-1**

PO Box 566, Spartanburg SC 29304
Phone (864) 596-2050

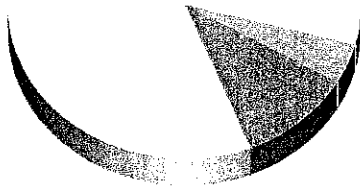
Incidents for Landrum Fire Dept. June, 2020

From: 06/01/2020 00:00:00

To: 06/30/2020 23:59:59

Incidents Per District

- CA-2
- LA-52
- NP-1



Incident Types	Total
AUTO ACCIDENTS	7
FIRE/SMOKE ALARMS	3
LINES DOWN/ARCING	3
OTHER	10
STRUCTURE FIRES (Residential)	2
MEDICAL	29
CAVE-INS/EXTRICATION (NOT MVAs)	1
Total	65