



MINUTES
LANDRUM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, August 11, 2020

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

NOTE:

- **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, Daniel Prince, Shannon Dotson, Joyce Whiteside, Johnny Carruth

Members Absent: Tammy Cox

The Invocation was given by Council Member Billy Inman followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were accepted as written.

The Financial Statements

The financial statements were accepted as written.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mayor Bob Briggs introduced 2nd reading of Ordinance 2020-05 General Bond Ordinance. An ordinance authorizing and providing for the issuance of limited obligation bonds (Hospitality Fee Pledge) of the City of Landrum, South Carolina and other matters relating thereto. Council Member Daniel Prince made a motion to accept followed by a motion of second by Council Member Shannon Dotson and carried by a unanimous vote.
2. Mayor Bob Briggs introduced 2nd reading of Ordinance 2020-06 Series Ordinance. An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of and not exceeding one million dollars (\$1,000,000) Limited Obligation Bond (Hospitality Fee Pledge), Series 2020 of the City of Landrum, South Carolina; Providing for the issuance of bond anticipation notes; and other matters relating thereto. Council Member Shannon

Dotson made a motion to accept, second by Council Member Daniel Prince and carried by a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1. City Administrator Rich Caplan gave a brief overview prior to accepting the incoming call from Capitol Museum Services. Mr. Caplan advised members that phase one of the Rail Car Museum project had been completed and at this time the Museum Board was awaiting approval of a federal grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission for further advancement of the project. Mr. Caplan informed members that the total estimated cost for this project was between \$475,000 - \$500,000. The city has already received a grant in the amount of \$200,000 from the State of South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, additional funding would be payable by the city's hospitality revenue account. Mr. Caplan introduced Mark Marasco with Capitol Museum Services whom was joining the meeting via a live video presentation accompanied by an auditable conference call to discuss updates and presentation details on the Proposed Landrum Rail and History Museum project, during the duration of the presentation Mr. Marasco discussed details of color schemes, walk through diagrams of the interior of the car as well as the historical themes that would be used upon completion of the project.
2. Introduction of the discussion of street drainage improvements was initiated by City Administrator Rich Caplan. Mr. Caplan advised members that the city's road fee fund account had a current balance of approximately \$190,000. The city will be responsible for a portion of the costs for updates that will take place at the intersection of Highway 14 and Highway 176, the exact amount has yet to be determined but is estimated to cost between \$40,000 - \$60,000. Mr. Caplan's recommendation is that members remove approximately \$50,000 from road fee funds to assist in the completion of 4-6 of the 9 previously submitted projects. Council Member Daniel Prince advised that apart from Rutherford Street that N. Pine Street and Brookwood Avenue are two of the major projects that need immediate attention, with the ditching requests that the city has already fulfilled from resident complaints, some of the outstanding projects have already been completed. Mr. Caplan added that the city was currently working with Spartanburg County Sanitation Department and engineer, Eric Horton to create a plan to protect a sewer line that was exposed at Heritage Estates, these damages are due to water runoff from a privately owned lot, the placement of two additional drain pipes will be part of the protected plan to ensure the runoff no longer impedes the sewer line to ensure no further damage will occur. Mayor Bob Briggs requests any further discussion from members on this matter, with none, meeting advanced to the public comment segment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Mayor Bob Briggs opened the public comment section with an introduction of Mrs. Kim Sherwood, a guest in attendance whom requested to address council with her concerns on the city's FOIA policies. Mayor Bob Briggs advised Mrs. Sherwood she would need to speak with Larry Flynn, City Attorney concerning any additional concerns she may have with the city's policies on this matter.

Reports

City Administrator- Rich Caplan advised members that the proposed rezoning request for Dodd Street has been postponed until November 2020 at the builder's request. Mr. Caplan also added that the city has placed two new speed limit signs on N. Randolph to help aid in the concern of high-speed travelers in this area. Mr. Caplan also advised members that he'd been in contact with Spartanburg Water concerning the water pressure on N. Randolph, this was determined not to be a main line pressure issue, per Spartanburg Water. Mayor Bob Briggs requested an

update on the public hearing for Thrift Circle. Mr. Caplan advised before a formal public hearing could take place there were additional property surveys requested by the adjoining property owner to determine the actual property lines.

Police Department. Chief Kris Ahler submitted his report to council electronically in their monthly council packets. A copy may be requested any time by call the City Clerk's Office at 864-457-3000.

Fire Department. Chief Warren Ashmore submitted his report to council electronically in their monthly council packets. 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.

Regular Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm



Attest: Jamie H. Gaddy
Assistant City Clerk

Approval Date: 10/13/2020



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

Honorable Mayor and Council,

Covid-19

Enforcement: Executive Order 2020-50 places restrictions on restaurants, alcohol licensees, and gatherings. Attached letter concerning enforcement (read by chief)

PPE: Requested and received additional from the national stock pile this week

Work Status: All of our officers are working normal duty status. S.R.O.s have returned to performing school functions.

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

Equipment

Vehicles: two chargers removed from fleet and equipping the replacement vehicles

- Tahoe: Steering, brakes, paint, radios, camera, pending striping
- Taurus: awaiting striping and camera install, radio installed already and run through the shop

Training

182 training hours logged in July for:

- Legal updates
- Line-up training
- Specific skills instructor Godfrey
- Bullet Proof Mind Wallace
- Street gang investigations Shehan
- FTO manager Wise
- Policy quiz
- Police tactics Masc
- Krav maga in-service training

Upcoming training:

- Implicit bias taught by Dr./officer Marti Glass
- Firearms by newly graduated instructor Sgt. Shehan

- Blood Borne Pathogens training
- Ground tactics by Chief Ahler

Project

The blessing box/food pantry which was approved by council was constructed and installed at the park on Bomar. Excellent job by Officer Godfrey (servant's heart)

Personnel

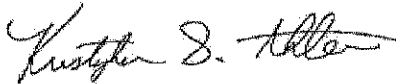
- Officer Brad James underwent open heart surgery and is on full duty (warrior spirit)
- Officers have increased physical activity as part of the police department's wellness program by exercising and doing regular doctor physicals. **Jack Davis foot pursuit**
- Officer Craft is still deployed to Kuwait.

Other

Support for Police: Our officers have experienced an outpouring of support and generosity in recent weeks. Several officers have reported people purchasing their meals at restaurants, gifts being brought to the police department, and even offers of services to show their support during a time when other communities are calling to defund the police department. The officers of the Landrum Police Department are grateful to be able to serve such an outstanding community.

Landrum Police Facebook: events and updates, please follow us!

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



Kristopher S. Ahler, MBA

Chief of Police

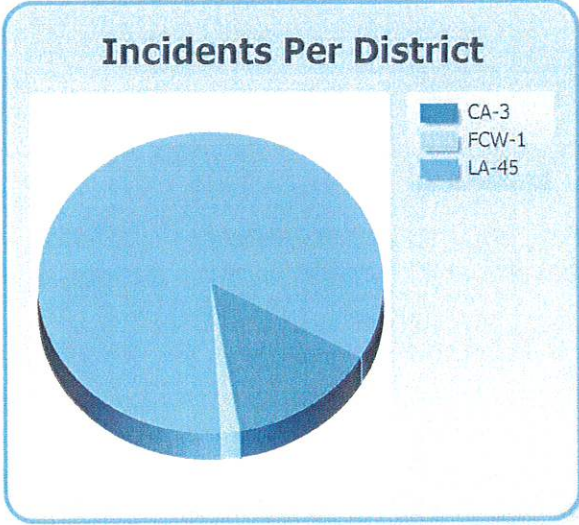
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Incidents for Landrum Fire Dept. July, 2020

From: 07/01/2020 00:00:00
To: 07/31/2020 23:59:59



Incident Types	Total
AUTO ACCIDENTS	5
FIRE/SMOKE ALARMS	3
TRASH/WOODS/GRASS FIRES	1
MEDICAL	25
OTHER	12 - 11
STRUCTURE FIRES (Residential)	2
VEHICLE FIRES	1
Total	49 <u>50</u>

Talk closer to mic 😊

PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN IN

Meeting Date: August 11, 2020

Please sign in, take a seat, YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS

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