



**Work Session Minutes  
Landrum City Council  
Tuesday, September 12, 2023**

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.

**Meeting started at 5:19 p.m.**

Members present, Mayor Robert Briggs, Council Members Johnny Carruth, Tammy Cox, Joyce Whiteside and Judy Henderson.  
Members absent: Council Members Shannon Dotson and Billy Inman

**1. Potential Sale of a portion of Surplus Property on N. Valley Road.**

The city owns a 12.88-acre parcel on N. Valley Rd. that is the site of the city's maintenance shed and a former site of the sanitation ponds. The portion of the former ponds on the eastern portion of the site has been deemed by DHEC to prohibit any building. Part of the site is bisected by a flood plain. That leaves approximately two acres of the site fronting N. Valley Road between the road and the flood plain that is surplus to the city. It had been suggested that this 2-acre site be offered for sale. The council discussed the potential sale of the property. It was also discussed to divide the property into 4 separate lots and putting restrictions on the residential lot to offer at a reasonable price. The council decided to think on the possibility of selling the lots, go ahead and have the property surveyed and divided into 4 lots and sell the lots as individual lots.

**2. Discussion of Landrum Youth Association/ City/ County Parks Relations.**

Daniel Prince discussed with the Council the possibility of Spartanburg County becoming financially involved in the baseball/softball fields ownership and operation. The city would have to enact a Parks and Recreation Tax by a Resolution by the end of the year. The city will meet with Spartanburg County to discuss and specify the specific recreational areas the city would financially cover and which ones would fall under the financial responsibility of the County.

**3. Carolina Foothills Sponsorship Request.**

The Carolina Foothills Chamber of Commerce is holding a food drive fundraiser, FEED THE FOOTHILLS. The food collected will service several area food pantries, including Operation Hope in Landrum. The amount requested to pledge is \$1000 for a town event sponsor. The council was in agreement to participate as a sponsor for the event. The council agreed that the City will donate \$1000.

**4. Discussion of Street Paving Projects; Speed Bump Request on E. Brookwood Drive (near Miss. Tammy's Little Learning Center.**

The city has allocated up to \$400,000 in the general fund budget (from COVID FUNDS) for street improvement projects. The city also has approximately \$170,000 in CTC funds held by Spartanburg County earmarked for city roads. The city has prioritized four streets, two city streets and two SCDOT streets. Dodd Street from Asheville Hwy to N. Randolph Ave. Oak Ave from Prince Rd. to North Valley Road. Bomar Ave South from e. Rutherford Rd. to E. Brookwood Dr. E. Prince Rd. from E. Rutherford Rd. to Asbury Dr. The bids were due September 12, 2023 by noon. The city received 3 bids. The lowest bid was received from Prince Construction for \$380,763. The City will also be responsible for stripping the SCDOT roads. The owner of Miss. Tammy's Little Learning Center located on E. Brookwood Dr. has requested the city install a speed bump near their entrance to slow the traffic where an abundance of children are present on a daily basis. They decided to use a temporary speed bump to test the most effective area for placement.

**5. Discussion of Proposed Employee Paid Parental Leave Policy.**

The City of Landrum has no adopted policy regarding employees or employee spouses associated with the birth of a child. The council was presented with a policy that mirrors the State of South Carolina Parental Leave policy. The policy was adjusted /revised to fit the needs of City employees. It was decided to add adoption of a newborn to the policy. There were a few edits that were suggested to be made in reference to vocabulary and definitions. The following edits were notated and will be made by the City Administrator and will be reflected in the final document adoption.

**6. Discussion Regarding Landrum joining the South Carolina Main Street Program.**

Main Street South Carolina is a technical assistance program that empowers communities as they revitalize their historic downtowns, encouraging economic development and historic preservation. There are several levels to the MASC program. The first level is Friends of Main Street, the cost to participate at the beginning level is \$400. The council and City Administrator will continue to research this program to determine if it will suit the needs of the City of Landrum.

There was also a discussion for a person to appoint as the City of Landrum Community member representative to the Saluda Grade Trail Advisory Committee. There will be a meeting on October 17, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Inman Library. The Mayor introduced the name Jason Ashmore to ask him if he has interest in being the representative for the City of Landrum.

**Adjourn to Regular Meeting: 6:23 p.m.**

*Rita H. Bruce, ABL*

Attest: Rita H. Bruce, ABL

City Clerk / Treasurer

Approval Date: October 10, 2023