

TOWN OF IVA, SOUTH CAROLINA

Minutes

Regular Town Council Meeting

Monday, May 1, 2023 – 10:00 AM – 204 East Jackson Street, Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Iva Town Council was held on Monday, May 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the council chambers of the Iva Town Hall, located at 204 E. Jackson Street in Iva. Notice of the meeting was given in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

The following members of Town Council were in attendance:

Mr. Bobby E. Gentry, Mayor
Mr. Paul Hart, Mayor Pro-Temp
Mr. Dwayne Kelley, Council
Mr. Dallas Botts, Council

Mr. Elmer Powell was absent from the meeting.

Others Present for the meeting were: Mr. Tim Taylor, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gentry at 10:00 a.m.

Invocation – The Invocation was offered by Mayor Gentry.

Pledge of Allegiance – Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Gentry recognized Mr. Robert Howell. Mayor Gentry introduced Mr. Powell as a residential developer who has recently purchased two mobile home parks in Iva. Mr. Powell presented to the Mayor and Council his plans to re-develop the parks, pending a potential re-zoning address, and a timeline for doing so. Mr. Powell commented that he plans to, a) install new siding and replace roofs on some of the existing mobile homes and, b) replace some of the older mobile homes with new ones. Mr. Powell commented that he plans to update the level of livability in each of the homes.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes – April 17, 2023 - Mr. Hart made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kelley. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Old Business – Ordinance for Second and Final Reading

- a. Ordinance 2023-006 was presented for second and final reading. Mr. Kelley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Botts. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The ordinance approves the conveyance of property for residential development.
- b. Ordinance 2023-007 was presented for second and final reading. Mr. Kelley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Botts. The vote was 4-0. The ordinance approves the issuance of HTAX Special Obligation Bond in the amount of \$75,000. Mr. Kelley requested that a security camera system be included with improvements being made to the civic center playground area. Mayor Gentry commented that it would be included. Mr. Taylor commented that funds will be used for civic playground upgrades, MAC center, Civic Center and the new Iva Gym.
- c. Ordinance 2023-008 was presented for second and final reading. Mr. Botts made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Kelley. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The ordinance amends Ordinance 2022-004, a property conveyance agreement for residential development.
- d. Ordinance 2023-009 was presented for second and final reading. Mr. Kelley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Botts. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The ordinance approves an intergovernmental agreement with South Carolina Local Revenue Services.

6. New Business – Ordinances for First Reading

- e. Ordinance 2023-010 was presented for first reading. Mr. Kelley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Botts. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0. The ordinance approves the FY2023-2024 annual budget for first reading. Mr. Taylor commented on the FY2023-2024 budget, highlighting each of the funds. Mr. Taylor commented that a public hearing is required prior to second and final reading. Mayor Gentry commented that a public hearing will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. prior to the regular council meeting. Mayor Gentry encouraged each of the council members to schedule an appointment with Mr. Taylor to go over any detail of the budget individually of they desired.

7. New Business (Resolutions for First and Final Reading)

- a. Resolution 2023-002 was presented for first and final reading. Mr. Botts made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kelley. All were in favor. The vote was 4-0.

8. Motions

None

9. Mayor and Council Comments

- Mayor Gentry announced the award of a \$1,275,000 RIA grant for sewer system upgrades.

- Mayor Gentry commented that downtown security camera system is being looked into.
- Mayor Gentry commented on patrol vehicles/equipment that will soon be up for auction. He will make council aware of the items prior to placing them on GovDeals for public auction. All items have previously been approved by council to sell.
- Mr. Hart commented regarding an area (end of Hamilton St/ at River St.) that needs to be cleared back. Mayor Gentry and Mr. Taylor both knew of the area Mr. Hart was referring to and commented that they will look further into who is responsible for the area.

Police Chief Miller presented to the Mayor and Council:

- Working on staffing and scheduling for weekend events
- Hired one part-time police officer to fill-in after the resignation of one full-time officer.
- Met with Anderson County Sheriff – had a good meeting and looking forward to a good working relationship. Sherriff McBride has offered assistance for training and other valuable benefits.
- Announced grant that Officer Josh Bench wrote for equipment.
- Looking into grants that may fund a full-time officer for road patrol.

ADJOURN

Mr. Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Botts. The motion carried unanimously.

Tim Taylor
Town Clerk/Treasurer