

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
LORIS PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
3909 WALNUT STREET
LORIS, SC 29569
JULY 11, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT	MAYOR	HENRY L. NICHOLS
PRESENT	COUNCIL	MICHAEL DOZIER JOAN S. GAUSE LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR. TODD M. HARRELSON MICHAEL E. SUGGS JAN P. VESCOVI

NEWS MEDIA present were Mrs. Joyce Graham, writer for Tabor-Loris Tribune, Ms. Jennifer Boyd, writer for The North Myrtle Beach Times and Mr. Scott Harper with The Loris Scene.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nichols.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Councilman Hardee.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of Allegiance was led by Coach Kevin Gause and members of the Loris Recreation football team.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called by Clerk Kenya Wright.

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR'S REPORT

- 1. Mrs. Samantha Norris was unable to attend the Council meeting due to a prior engagement. Ms. Jennifer Boyd gave an update on behalf of the Chamber. Ms. Boyd thanked Mayor Nichols for joining the Chamber at the Ms. South Carolina Pageant. Ms. Boyd advised that the Chamber was very proud of the ladies that represented the City of Loris. Ms. Hudson took home the title for Overall Talent along with placing in the top 10.**
- 2. Mayor Nichols announced that he along with other Council members would be attending the Annual MASC meeting in Hilton Head from July 19th to July 23rd.**
- 3. Mayor Nichols introduced City Intern John Floyd II.**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- 1. Advised that all department heads are currently working on updating departmental inventory lists.**
- 2. Advised that a Budget Workshop was held on July 10th and the requested changes by Council are in progress and will be presented at a later date.**
- 3. Announced that Coast RTA would begin the Loris Route on August 14th, 2017. The Route pickup and drop off location would be at Hills Grocery.**
- 4. No Paving update has been received from the South Carolina Department of Transportation.**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

All Departmental reports were received as information.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

Coach Kevin Gause presented the Recreation Department with a banner purchased during the Fall Football Camp. Mr. Gause advised that the football camp was a huge success. He invited other members of the community to join in on the efforts to keep the children of the Loris community active.

BUSINESS:

- A. Second Reading Ordinance 02-17 Rezoning from R-1.4-detached, single family dwellings to R-2-medium density residential TMS#048-09-02-004, owned by Bridgewater Associates, LLC located at Bayboro Road

Clerk Kenya Wright read the ordinance by title only. A motion was made by Councilman Dozier, seconded by Councilman Hardee to give second reading of Ordinance Number 02-17 as presented. Mayor Nichols and all Members favorably.

- B. Resolution 02-17 A Resolution to adopt the existing budget for the City of Loris, South Carolina, as a stop gap measure until the 2017/2018 budget can be approved.

Clerk Kenya Wright read the Resolution in its entirety. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gause, seconded by Councilwoman Vescovi to adopt Resolution 02-17. Mayor Nichols and all Members favorably.

PUBLIC AND PRESS COMMENTS:

Ms. Lenell Black of 120 Fox Glen Drive expressed her concern about flooding and drainage issues within the City.

Ms. Libby Smith of 4819 Spring Street expressed concerns and her wishes about the use of the newly built concession stands at Watson Park.

Ms. Smith also expressed concerns about the required \$60.00 fee required by the Recreation Department for the use of field lights.

Administrator Kempski scheduled a meeting to meet with Ms. Smith in regards to her concerns.

Mr. Sam Jones offered the city \$500.00 to purchase a piece of property adjacent to his property next to the old land field to allow him better access.

Ms. Taffy Rowell of 160 Round Swamp Road previously presented Administrator Kempski with a proposal in regard to opening a Daycare facility at the Watson Park Facility. The proposal was included in Council Packets.

Mrs. Joyce Graham, writer for Tabor-Loris Tribune requested that Resolution 02-17 be re-read.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Councilman Dozier, seconded by Councilwoman Gause to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

After executive session, Council reconvened to open session upon a motion by Councilman Hardee, seconded by Councilwoman Gause. All members voted favorably. Mayor Nichols advised that no action was taken.

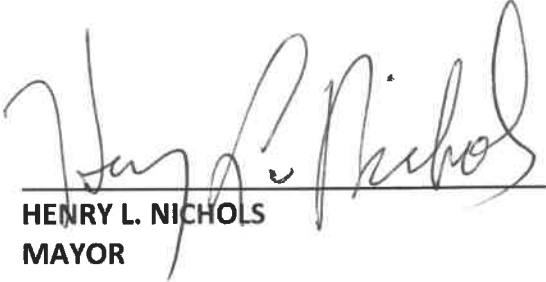
ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman Dozier seconded by Councilman Suggs to adjourn. Mayor Nichols and all Members voted favorably. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12P.M.

ATTEST:



KENYA WRIGHT
CLERK

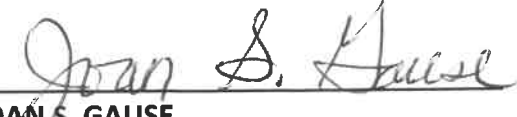


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