

**MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 16, 2019
6:00 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING – TED C. COLLINS LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

MYRTLE BEACH CITY COUNCIL:

PRESENT:
BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR
MICHAEL CHESTNUT, MAYOR PRO-TEM
JACKIE HATLEY
MIKE LOWDER
GREGG SMITH

ABSENT:
MARY JEFFCOAT
PHILIP N. RENDER


CITY STAFF:

PRESENT:
JOHN G. PEDERSEN , CITY MANAGER
JOHNATHAN "FOX" SIMONS, JR., DEPUTY CITY
MANAGER
LISA WALLACE, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
MICHAEL SHELTON, CHIEF FINACIAL OFFICER
WILLIAM A. BRYAN, CITY ATTORNEY
JENNIFER STANFORD, CITY CLERK

 Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Jackie Hatley, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith.
Absent/Excused: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.


CALL TO ORDER..... 6:03 P.M.
INVOCATION..... Councilwoman Hatley
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE..... Councilman Lowder
APPROVAL OF AGENDA.....

 Motion: To Approve, Moved by Jackie Hatley, Seconded by Michael Chestnut.

 Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Hatley.
Absent: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.


 Motion: To Enter Closed Session, Moved by Mike Lowder, Seconded by Michael Chestnut.

 Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Hatley.
Absent: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.

6:07 P.M.

 Motion: To Exit Closed Session, Moved by Jackie Hatley, Seconded by Michael Chestnut.

 Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).


Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith, Jackie Hatley.
Absent: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.

6:28 P.M.

REGULAR AGENDA

Resolution R2019-72 to approve a settlement agreement in principle and to authorize the City Manager to execute the same.

 Motion: To Approve, Moved by Mike Lowder, Seconded by Michael Chestnut.

 Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).
Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Jackie Hatley, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith.
Absent: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session which are deemed to be “emergency” concerns.


Note: South Carolina law requires that Council’s business is conducted in public with limited exceptions known as “Executive Sessions”. Subjects eligible for Executive Session include:

- ***Personnel matters.***
- ***Negotiations concerning proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property.***
- ***The receipt of legal advice relating to:***
 - ***A pending, threatened, or potential claim.***
 - ***Other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege.***
 - ***Settlement of legal claims, or the position of the City in other adversary situations.***
- ***Discussions regarding development of security personnel or devices.***
- ***Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.***
- ***Matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses.***

Motions to go into Executive Session must be made in public and specify one or more reason above. Council can take no votes or take action in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

 Motion: To Adjourn, Moved by Mike Lowder, Seconded by Jackie Vereen.

 Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 5).
Yes: Mayor Brenda Bethune, Michael Chestnut, Jackie Hatley, Mike Lowder, Gregg Smith.
Absent: Mary Jeffcoat, Philip N. Render.

6:34 P.M.

ATTEST:

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

JENNIFER STANFORD, CITY CLERK