CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA
NORTH MYRTLE BEACH CITY HALL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, November 6, 2023, 7:00 PM

Minutes

1. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Hatley called the meeting to order and asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Marilyn Hatley
JO Baldwin
Bubba Collins
Fred Coyne
Nicole Fontana
Trey Skidmore
Hank Thomas

A quorum was established.

1B. CONTINUATION OF CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Hatley asked Manager Mahaney to deliver the invocation.

Mayor Hatley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. MINUTES:

The motion to approve the minutes for the City Council Meeting of Monday, October 16, 2023, as presented, was made by Councilman Thomas and seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Baldwin. The motion to approve passed 7-0.

3. COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Hatley presented a Proclamation to the Tree Board recognizing December 1, 2023, as Arbor Day. The public was invited to participate in a tree planting ceremony on December 1, 2023, at 10 AM on Sixth Avenue South. Jim Grainger, Operation Manager with Parks and Grounds, noted this will be the City's 18th year as a Tree City. Mr. Grainger shared a presentation for Merideth Smith for her dedication to the Tree Board and to the City. Mr. Grainger noted that Mrs. Smith passed away before the award could be presented to her but he would present it to her family.

Mayor Hatley proclaimed Small Business Saturday will be November 25, 2023, and urged all citizens to shop local businesses. She thanked Destination North Myrtle Beach for all they did to promote small businesses.

Mayor Hatley stated the Departmental Reports for September 2023 were available online.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Hatley recognized Gerry Shea, Field Representative for Representative Russell Fry, and thanked him, Representative Fry, and the staff for always being attentive to the City's needs.

Mayor Hatley reminded everyone tomorrow was an important day and encouraged all to vote in the election. She added the City had grown and their votes were important to keep North Myrtle Beach a wonderful and progressive city.

Councilman Collins thanked Matt Gibbons, Director of Parks and Recreation, Melinda Chappell, Aquatic and Fitness Center Director, and their staff at the Aquatic Center for making the Buddy Up for Breast Cancer Walk successful. He added they exceeded their goal and the event was enjoyed by all.

Mayor Hatley recognized Teressa Dew, Chairwoman of the Municipal Election Commission, and thanked her for her dedication and expertise throughout the election process.

Mayor Pro Tempore Baldwin thanked Matt Gibbons, Director of Parks and Recreation, and his staff for their hard work that made the Walk to End Domestic Violence successful. Mayor Pro Tempore Baldwin added the prayer vigil for Israel was also a great event with a large turnout.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION TO APPROVE: Myrtle Beach Tours Beach Games on November 18, 2023. Mayor Hatley read the item by title and called for a motion. The motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Fontana and seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Baldwin.

Having no comment from the Council or public, Mayor Hatley called for a vote. The motion to approve passed 7-0.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE/SECOND READING: Amend Chapter 7, Business License, Taxes, and Regulations, of the Code of Ordinances for North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina to update the Class Schedule as required by Act 176 of 2020. Mayor Hatley read the ordinance by title and called for a motion. The motion to approve was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Baldwin and seconded by Councilman Coyne.

Having no comment from the Council or public, Mayor Hatley called for a vote. The motion to approve passed 7-0.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE/FIRST READING: Petition for Annexation and Zoning Designation for ± 0.25 acres off Oyster Lane. Mayor Hatley read the ordinance by title and called for a motion. The motion to approve was made by Councilman Coyne and seconded by Councilwoman Fontana. Mayor Hatley asked Jim Wood, Director of Planning and Development, if this was being annexed in order for the church to get City water and sewer. Director Wood confirmed it was.

Having no further comment from the Council or public, Mayor Hatley called for a vote. The motion to approve passed 7-0.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Hatley thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Allison K. Galbreath, City Clerk

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MARILYN HATLEY, MAYOR

Minutes approved and adopted this 4th day of December 2023