

City of Anderson
Regular Meeting
July 28, 2014

The regular meeting of City Council was held this date in City Hall Council Chambers at 6:00 pm. In attendance were Mayor Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem Laughridge, Council Members Buck Roberts, Chapman, Thompson, Kirven, and John Roberts. Councilmen Stewart and Harbin were not present. Also in attendance were Assistant City Manager, Linda McConnell; Finance Director, Peggy Maxwell; City Attorney, Frankie McClain; Fire Chief, Dale Horne; and Police Chief, Jim Stewart. The invocation was given by Mayor Terence Roberts with respects to the flag Council Member Beatrice Thompson.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Engineer Craig Saxon
Firefighter Reese Shaw

Fire Chief, Dale Horne said on March 22, 2014, Anderson firefighters were dispatched to a cardiac arrest at 123 Marketplace Drive. Upon arrival, firefighters found a 57 year old female, Sue Ragan in full cardiac arrest. Firefighter Shaw started compressions while Engineer Saxon administered ventilations and hooked up the AED. A shock was administered each time for the first three cycles of CPR. The patient eventually regained a pulse and breathed on her own. When transported to the hospital she had a blood pressure of 134/56. Her survival was directly related to the actions of Engineer Saxon and Firefighter Shaw.

Mrs. Sue Ragan, the patient, was present during this special recognition.

Chief Horne presented Engineer Saxon and Firefighter Shaw with a Life Saving Certificate and pin.

POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

Lieutenant Jamie Brock became a Certified Law Enforcement Officer on October 8, 2010 and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal in 2012. He currently serves Charlie Shift as a Certified Field Training Officer. He enjoys serving the citizens of Anderson, and takes great pride in his department and his fellow officers. Despite the many challenges in the profession, he continually strives to become an exemplary officer through the leadership and guidance of his superior officers.

Sergeant Barrett Ryan has been employed by the Anderson Police Department since August 2007. Sgt. Ryan began his career in the Uniform Patrol Division and moved to the Vice/Narcotics Division in March of 2010. While in the Uniform Patrol Division Sgt. Ryan was awarded the Lifesaving Award for being directly responsible for saving the life of another person. In 2011, he was promoted to Corporal, and also awarded Officer of the Month. He was a narcotics investigator for two and a half years. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of South Carolina in 2007.

Sergeant Richard Willett is a lifelong resident of Anderson County. He started his law enforcement career in November 1987 at the Williamston Police Department. There he served for 22 years, rising to the level of Chief of Police. He left the Williamston Police Department in February 2009 and began working for the Anderson Police Department. He currently serves as a Detective in the Criminal Investigations Division.

Corporal Tyjuan Blackwell started his police career in 2010 as a patrol officer on Charlie Shift for the Anderson Police Department. He realized his interest in forensics and expressed it to the Criminal Investigations Division. Later he assumed the role of Crime Scene Technician. He held the position for two years, and received a promotion to Private First Class. In August 2013, he was promoted to his current position as a Forensics Detective.

Corporal Jack Branyon started his Law Enforcement career in February of 1993 with the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff. In October 1999, he started his career with the Anderson City Police Department, where his collateral duties include Firearms instructor and Driving instructor. He spent 4 years as a Sergeant in patrol and is currently assigned to administration in the Anderson City Detention Center.

Corporal Joseph (Cameron) Morgan began his police career in 2009 in Walhalla, SC. He moved to Anderson on 2010 and became a patrol officer on Charlie Shift. During his first two years, he received several promotions and many certifications before moving to the Anderson Police SWAT team. Under Captain Aman's guidance, he secured a solid foundation as a SWAT operator, and has achieved many specialized certifications in law enforcement. He has also focused his talents on aggressive criminal interdiction patrol and prosecution of narcotics crimes, working the last two years as a Narcotics Division Investigator.

Police Chief, Jim Stewart recognized each individual receiving the promotion. Each were pinned and recited the Oath of Office, to which they were promoted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion by Council Member Thompson seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Laughridge carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 meeting as presented.

REQUEST SECOND AND THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE 14-12 TO REZONE 431 WILLIAMSTON ROAD AND 718 NORTH GOSSETT STREET FROM LI, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO RM-10, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

Assistant City Manager, Linda McConnell said 431 Williamston Road, formerly the Anderson County Fairgrounds, is now the site of the Anderson University Athletic Complex. Although the University has been transitioning some of their activities to the 44 acre site, they are now planning major improvements to meet their athletic and academic needs. Their master plan, which may take up to 10 years to complete, indicates the next step will be the relocation of their tennis courts and softball field from the main campus to this site. This will allow Anderson University to utilize the land on their main campus for other university-related facilities. Ultimately, a baseball field, athletic offices, training facilities and other athletic uses will be on the athletic complex site.

718 North Gossett Street is a vacant 5.86 acre parcel. At the present time, Anderson University has not submitted plans for developing that lot.

The existing LI, Light Industrial zoning for both parcels does not allow for university-related uses, so rezoning these properties to RM-10 will be consistent with other parcels that Anderson University owns. It is also a "downzoning", which eliminates a more intensive zoning classification in this neighborhood.

The rezoning will bring the properties into zoning conformance so Anderson University can meet their needs for expansion.

The Council approved this request on first reading at their July 14th meeting. Planning Commission also recommended approval.

A motion by Councilman Buck Roberts seconded by Councilman Chapman carried unanimously (7-0) to approve Ordinance 14-12 to rezone 431 Williamston Road and 718 North Gossett Street from LI, Light Industrial to RM-10, Multi-Family Residential on Second Reading.

A motion by Councilman Chapman seconded by Council Member Thompson carried (7-0) to approve Ordinance 14-12 on Third Reading as stated above.

REQUEST CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE TWO PRISM INFLATABLE LIGHTS FOR THE ANDERSON
FIRE DEPARTMENT – UPSTATE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Mrs. McConnell said the Anderson Fire Department is the host agency for the FEMA Type 3 Incident Management Team (IMT) through a Homeland Security grant administered by SLED. There are four Type 3 IMTs in South Carolina: Florence, Lexington, Summerville, and Anderson. Type 3 teams are intended to provide support to local jurisdictions in South Carolina that are confronted with long term incidents or events such as chemical spills, train derailments, large fires, and other large scale incidents. As an IMT, it is possible that the City's could be deployed outside the state.

The AFD has received a grant from Homeland Security which will fund the purchase of a lighting system. The cost of this purchase and low bid was from Evolve Technologies Corporation (Salem, NH) for \$10,490.07. Another bid received was from Tele – Lite (Rochester, NY) for \$11,490.00. These are the only 2 companies on the approved equipment list from FEMA that sells this product. The total cost of this purchase will be reimbursed by grant funds to the City of Anderson.

This purchase will ensure proper lighting at incident sites for the safety of team members and first responders during incident operations.

A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Laughridge seconded by Councilman John Roberts carried unanimously (7-0) to approve purchase of two Prism Inflatable Lights for the Anderson Fire Department – Upstate Incident Management Team in the amount of 10,490.07 from Evolve Technologies Corporation funded by Homeland Security Grant.

ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFING

UPCOMING EVENTS

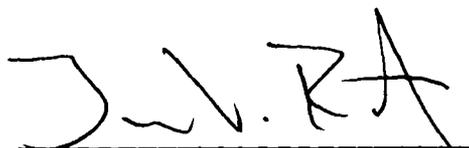
Assistant City Manager, Linda McConnell reminded Council of the following upcoming events and all meetings in August 2014.

August 12th – Movie Night in Carolina Wren Park

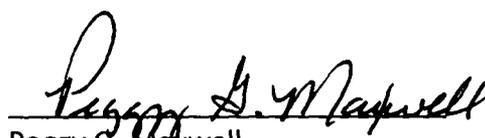
ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Councilman Buck Roberts seconded by Councilman Chapman carried unanimously (7-0) to adjourn.

ATTEST:

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Terence V. Roberts
Mayor

Handwritten signature of Peggy G. Maxwell in black ink, written in a cursive style.

Peggy G. Maxwell
City Clerk Treasurer