

Springfield Council Meeting
July 22, 2013
7:00 PM

The Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Mayor and all council members present except Council member Cooper.

Mayor McCormick requested a moment of silence in memory of Mrs. Hattie Wood.

The June minutes were read. Council member Lee made a motion to accept the June minutes and Council member Temples 2nd the motion. All agreed with a show of hands.

The June financials were read. Council member Lee made a motion to accept the June financials and Council member Temples 2nd the motion. All agreed with a show of hands.

Mayor McCormick welcomed everyone and went on to the first reading of the 2013-2014 budget. After reading, she asked if there were any questions. There being none, Council member Temples made a motion to accept and Council member Lee 2nd the motion. All agreed with a show of hands. The Mayor then read the agreement to adopt the budget and establish the millage rate. The agreement was signed by the Mayor, council members and town clerk. Mayor McCormick said the public hearing for the second reading of the budget would tentatively be scheduled for August 12 at 6:30 PM and the council meeting would follow. She then said Mr. Billy Salley, Mrs. Josie Williams and Ms. Erica Pierce had offered to serve on the election commission and Jeremy Whitaker would be a stand by if needed. Council member Lee made a motion that these individuals serve on the commission and Council member Temples 2nd. All agreed with a show of hands. Mayor McCormick said she had received feedback concerning connecting to the Silver Springs Water District and felt it would be better to hold off on a decision until a later date. Council members Lee and Temples agreed. The Mayor read a letter from Governor Haley stating that Chief Logan had been appointed Second Lieutenant in the Provost Marshal's Office in the S. C. National Guard. She then reminded everyone that the deadline for candidates to file for the Municipal Election would be noon on July 26. Mayor McCormick commented that a part of Springfield had departed due to the loss of Mrs. Hattie Wood. She asked everyone to keep Mrs. Hattie's family in their prayers. She announced that the Senior Citizen Center would be renamed the Hattie Wood Senior Citizen Center honoring her for her service to the seniors and the town. Mayor McCormick said Mrs. Mary Olive Pender says all is going well at the Senior Center and encourages people to attend. The Mayor read a letter from a non-profit organization named Mixx Blend SC dedicated to promoting a positive image with the community through community service, safety and education. She said they will be using the museum for youth activities in next few months and a Senior Citizen dinner and bingo night in September.

Chief Terry Logan gave the monthly Police Department report. He also added that Mrs. Hattie Wood supported the Police Department and she was appreciated and would be missed. Chief Logan said the department provided an escort for Mrs. Hattie's funeral service as well as the Orangeburg County Sheriff's Department assisting. He said he would like to hold a day in the near future to offer fingerprinting and hair samples on children at no cost to parents. The Chief said the date for this would be on the town's marquee sign. Chief Logan concluded stating

several people had asked about a robbery that had taken place in Barnwell county and the suspect was chased into the Springfield area. He said the suspect ran into a Barnwell county deputy's vehicle.

Mayor McCormick asked everyone to remember in their prayers Council member Cooper, the Mary Gayle Salley family, the Donnie Morris family, Mrs. Robinson who taught school with Mrs. Hattie Wood, the Morgan family and the senior citizens in the community.

Council member Lee said she would miss Mrs. Hattie Wood. She said it was an honor and privilege to work with her and felt she was here in spirit. She added that she worked in North and the residents there always compliment how nice Springfield looks. Council member Lee concluded stating everyone should be proud of the town and the accomplishments that have been made and are continuing to make.

Council member Temples stated that Mrs. Hattie Wood would be missed.

Public Comments:

A resident asked if anything could be done about people driving to the town dumpster and trash flying out the back of their vehicles onto the road and into residents yards. Chief Logan stated the police department would make a point to patrol that particular area more often.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 7:33 P. M.