

**Pickens City Council  
Minutes of Regular Session  
City Hall Council Chambers  
January 10, 2022**

Present: Mayor Fletcher Perry  
Council Member Donnie McKinney (via Phone Call)  
Council Member Lois Porter  
Council Member Jimmy Davis  
Council Member Isaiah Scipio (via Phone Call)  
Council Member Robert Nealy  
Council Member Patrick Lark  
Administrator Philip Trotter  
Finance Director Donna Perry  
Clerk to Council Kaycee Couch

**1. Invocation**

Patrick Lark provided the Invocation

**2. Call Regular Session to Order**

Mayor Perry called the Regular Session to Order at 6:01 P.M.

**3. Comments from Citizens**

None

**4. Administrators Report**

At 6:01 P.M. Philip Trotter presented with an Administrators Report:

- Allgood Area Grant Update
- Rosemond St. Grant Update
- UV Light Grant Update
- Bruce Field Hall of Fame Plaques
- Social Media Outlet casting of Council Meetings
- Mobile Vaccination Clinic
- January Training Dates

Anna:

- Bruce Field Wall Graphic Quotes
- Main St. Pole Banners Update

**5. Finance Directors Report**

At 6:10 P.M. Donna Perry presented with a Finance Directors Report:

- Payroll System Conversion
- 2021 Audit Update

**6. Resolution 2022-01-A Resolution to Authorize the Acceptance of Land Consisting of Approximately 12 Acres Located Adjacent to Lakewood Estates Subdivision and South of Secona Road in the City of Pickens.**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Approve Resolution 2022-01; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:18 P.M.

**7. Appointment of City Officials**

- a. City Administrator-Philip Trotter
- b. Municipal Clerk-Kaycee Couch
- c. City Attorney-Daniel Hughes
- d. Chief Municipal Judge-Sean Hinton

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Appoint the City Officials listed above; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:19 P.M.

**8. Appointment of Board of Zoning Appeals Member-Philip Trotter**

- a. Tina Bergholm

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Appoint the Board of Zoning Appeals Member listed above; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:21 P.M.

**9. Appointment of Planning Commission Board Member-Philip Trotter**

- a. Drew Nicholson

**MOTION:** Council Member Porter Motioned to Appoint the Planning Commission Board Member listed above; Council Member Nealy Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:21 P.M.

**10. City of Pickens Recreation Department Update- Brandon Enoch**

Tabled due to sickness.

**11. Pickens Regional Joint Water System Update- Council Member Donnie McKinney/Philip Trotter**

At 6:22 P.M., Philip Trotter led discussion regarding an update on the Pickens Regional Joint Water System.

- Amended Corporate Certifications—The City of Liberty is officially a member of the PRJWS
- Participation Agreement Updated Signature Page
- Planning, Construction and Operational Phase
- Peer Review in sizing the new water plant has been added to initial document
- Acquisition of Pickens County Water Main 1.6 Million
- Allocated Percentages Update
- Pickens County Water Authority has given up allocated percentage.

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to approve the Updated Participation Agreement; Council Member Davis seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:26 P.M.

**12. Doodle Trail Fence Replacement Discussion-Craig Dalton, City Services**

Tabled due to sickness.

**13. Approval of Minutes**

**a. December 6, 2021- Regular Session**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Approve the minutes listed above; Council Member Nealy Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:28 P.M.

**14. Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion**

Mayor Perry thanked Kenna Dillard for all her hard work on the Christmas decorations.

Kenna Dillard with Ascend Pickens presented to council that she would like to remove the trees near the Amphitheater to make it a friendlier environment.

Council Member Lark mentioned Ascend Pickens wanting to put up lights on the water tower.

Philip Trotter stated that American Tank Maintenance looked at the water tower and are concerned about it rusting from the inside out. He is currently waiting on another update from American Tank Maintenance.

Mayor Perry stated that Administrator Trotter has received a packet about the water fountain being repaired. The Packet is being sent to Rec Committee for review.

**15. Motion to Enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing the Following Matters:**

- a. Receiving a Legal Update as allowed by S.C. Code Sect. 30-4-70(a)(2)-Jewel Street/Jones Avenue**
- b. Contractual Matter as allowed by S.C. Code Sect. 30-7-70(a)(2)-USDA Wildlife Services**
- c. Contractual Matter as allowed by S.C. Code Sect. 30-7-70(a)(2)- First Baptist Church**
- d. Contractual Matter as allowed by S.C. Code Sect. 30-7-70(a)(2)-Red Hill Baptist Church**
- e. Personnel Matters as allowed by S.C. Code Sect. 30-4-70(a)(1)**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the matters listed above; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 6:38 P.M

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Adjourn Executive Session; Council Member Davis Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:41 P.M

**16. Possible Action Taken Pertaining to Executive Session**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark motioned to allow Philip Trotter to move forward with direction pursuing options for purchasing easement or property at Jewel Street/Jones Avenue;

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark motioned to approve the Contractual Matter with First Baptist Church;

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark motioned to allow Philip Trotter to pursue talks with Red Hill Baptist Church regarding property behind the church to be used for a playground;

Council Member McKinney seconded; the vote was unanimous in favor of the motions listed above at 7:46 P.M.

**17. Motion to Adjourn Regular Session**

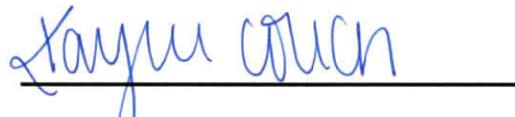
**MOTION:** Council Member Lark Motioned to Adjourn Regular Session; Council Member Porter Seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion at 7:48 P.M

**NOTE:** (1) Agenda was posted on the City Website, the City Hall Bulletin Board and Distributed to Media via Email on January 7, 2022 and (2) Quorum was present.

Approved as Written:



Fletcher Perry, Mayor



Kaycee Couch, Clerk to Council