

**MINUTES  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019  
5:00 P.M.**

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(Summary minutes of City Council meeting. Audio tapes of the meeting are on file and are included by reference as part of this meeting. An agenda of this meeting has been either mailed or made available to persons, organizations and local news media as per their request. The agenda gives the date, time and place of the meeting as well as the order of business. This disclosure is in compliance with the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, Section 30-4-80 (c).)

A council workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. at the City Municipal building with the following present:

**COUNCIL:** Mayor Harold Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Robert Garner, Councilmembers Tommy Anthony, Vicki Morgan, Ricky Todd Harris, Pamela Sloss and Sonja Craig

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Larry Flynn

**DEPARTMENTAL STAFF:** Gloria Rogers – Municipal Clerk/Personnel Director; Sam White – Public Safety Director; Joe Nichols – Utility Director; Maintenance Shop Director – Leroy Edwards; Public Service Director – Kenny Thomas; Finance Director – Laura Hembree; Rebecca Lance – Accounting Supervisor and Melissa Youngblood – Media IT Director

**NEWS MEDIA:** Mike Stevens- WBCU Radio and Graham Williams – Union County News

**OTHERS:** None

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order. He gave the invocation. The pledge of allegiance was given by all present. The roll was called by Municipal Clerk Gloria Rogers.

2. **BUSINESS**

A. **ORDINANCE – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING – APPROPRIATE FISCAL 2018-2019 MONIES FROM GENERAL FUND**

Finance Director Laura Hembree states that in April 2019 the Mayor & City Council agreed to a contract renewal with Gregory Pest Solutions for mosquito treatment. The contract includes several treatments over a seven-month period, to include the placement of briquettes and the spraying of larvicide throughout the City. Gregory Pest Solutions began their treatments in April 2019. The cost for the treatments through the end of fiscal year 2018-2019 is \$20,693.00.

**MOTION** by Councilmember Morgan to pass 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance to appropriate fiscal 2018-2019 monies from the general fund for contract renewal with Gregory Pest Solutions for mosquito treatment

**SECOND** by Councilmember Sloss

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

B. **RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING TRANSFER AND SALE OF A USED VEHICLE TO THE TOWN OF CARLISE**

City Attorney Larry Flynn states the City of Union has had some conversations in the past and has actually transferred vehicles to the Town of Carlisle. After council's discussion on which truck would be donated to the Town of Carlisle, Mayor

Thompson states that he will need a motion to go forward to donate older truck to the Town of Carlisle.

**MOTION** by Councilmember Morgan to donated a 1999 Dodge truck to the Town of Carlisle

**SECOND** by Councilmember Anthony  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

C. UPDATE – MURAL/REMOVAL OF CROSS ARM

Mayor Thompson states that he has talked to Utility Director Joe Nichols regarding the Mural. Mr. Nichols states that the cross arm needs to come down because it is dangerous; one has already come down. The Mayor had someone to look at the Mural and he states it is in pretty bad shape. The Mayor will need direction from council on how to proceed with repairs on the Mural especially since there is a safety issue involved.

**MOTION** by Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to proceed with repairs that are concerns safety issues

**SECOND** by Councilmember Anthony  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

D. DISCUSSION – VIDEO ON WEBSITE

Mayor Thompson states that he has talked with a company that comes around periodically and produces videos for municipalities websites. These videos produce marketing to promote businesses in Union. They want to do videos to advertise businesses in Union for the City of Union's website. There is not a fee or cost for them to put videos on the City of Union's website.

**MOTION** by Councilmember Sloss to participate in the videos on the City of Union's website to promote businesses in Union

**SECOND** by Councilmember Craig  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONTRACTUAL (PMPA) AND PERSONNEL MATTERS**

**MOTION** by Councilmember Sloss to go out of regular session into executive session to discuss a contractual and personnel matter

**SECOND** by Councilmember Craig  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOTION** by Mayor Pro Tem Gamer to go out of executive session back into regular session

**SECOND** by Councilmember Sloss  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

No action taken